

QUEST NEWSLETTER



December 2015



Achievements never thought possible

Welcome and Farewell

We have had another very busy term, with both new pupils and staff joining us at Quest. We have welcomed Caitlin Ball, Jodie Beard, Rachel Clutterbuck, Elise Cunningham, Tamsyn Curtis-Ells, Alice Elliot, Daniel Grant and Becky Morris to our staff team. We are sad to be saying goodbye to Dan Lewis, Sophie Blackman, Candice Duarte and Natalie Evans. They will be missed by both staff and pupils and we would like to wish them all good luck in the future. Anthony Walmsley, our Assistant Head left earlier in the term to move on to pastures new. We wish him the best for the future too.

Home Front Bus

As part of our History curriculum this term, we were visited by a 'Home Front Bus'. The Home Front bus allowed the pupils to experience what life was like during World War 2. There were many different sections for the pupils to see and explore. One of the highlights was the built-in air raid shelter on the bus. All the pupils loved sitting in the shelter and listening to the air raid sirens. The pupils also enjoyed visiting the 1940s style shop. In the shop the pupils learnt about rationing and got to see the examples of food proportions during the war. All the pupils enjoyed the experience and were sad to see the bus go!



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Woodwork day

During December our pupils had an opportunity to participate in woodwork activities and create their own festive decorations for Christmas. Each pupil created their own reindeer and contributed to a school Christmas decoration that spelt out 'Merry Christmas'. Some of the skills that the pupils experienced included using a saw, drilling holes and sanding down wood. All of the pupils had a fantastic time and produced some excellent reindeer in the process.

TERM DATES 2016

Term 3

Staff Training Days Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th Jan

Monday 4th January - Friday 12th February

Term 4

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 24th March

Term 5

**Monday 11th April - Thursday 26th May
Staff Training Day–Monday 11th April**

Term 6

**Monday 6th June - Friday 22nd July
Staff Training Day – Friday 1st July**

Police Car Visit

This term we enjoyed a visit from our local police officers and their police car. Pupils were able to ask the police officers questions, sit in the police car and even try on police hats and high-visibility clothing. They also had great fun watching the flashing blue lights and exploring the contents of the police car's boot which contained equipment such as police warning signs.



Reminder – Don't forget Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 18th December. Please send your child into school with a £1 donation for the Text Santa appeal. School will close at 1pm on Friday for the Christmas holidays. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on Wednesday 6th January.