Queen Victoria Primary School



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th September 2023 - Edition number 1

Dear All

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone as we start our new academic year.

The children have settled quickly into their new classes and new routines. They have been keen to share stories about their summer adventures too.

Everyone looks very smart in their school uniform, do please write your child's name in those new clothes.

We do have a large amount of lost property without names in from last term. Mrs Farmer has washed everything and it is now available if anyone needs 'pre-loved' uniform. Do ask at the front office or send an email via info@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk.

Please remember that our PE kit is black joggers, leggings or shorts with a plain white t-shirt. Children can also wear a black hoodie for outdoor PE

Every fortnight we will send out this newsletter online, do let the school office know if you would like a paper copy.

Here's to a great school year!

Mrs Rindl

A welcome from Mr Priest:

Hi! You may have seen me on the gate and wondered who I am. I'm really pleased to have the opportunity to join the senior leadership team at Queen Victoria Primary School for a year's secondment. I join Queen Vic having been the deputy head teacher at Olive Hill Primary School in Halesowen, another member of the Stour Vale Academy Trust, for the past 5 years. Thank you to all of the children, families and staff who have made me feel so welcome here during these first two weeks of the term. It's been a pleasure to see the children settling back into school and already knuckling down to some hard work. I look forward to getting to know each of you better over the coming weeks.

Mr Priest

Term Dates

Friday 27 th October	Last Day of Term
Monday 30 th Oct - Friday 3 rd Nov	HALF TERM
Monday 6 th November	School opens
Monday 1st December	Inset Day - Stour Vale Joint Primary Day
Friday 22 nd December	Last day of Term
Monday 8th January	Inset Day
Tuesday 9 th January	Start of School Term

Parents Evening
Tuesday 17th October-by appointment only.

Computer Hints and Tips

Use three random words to create a strong password. It makes it harder for people to guess.

Always make sure your email password is different to other accounts too.

If a hacker gains access to your email account, it's easier for them to reset passwords and take over other online services that you may have.

Need to tell us something or want to speak to someone?

We have many lines of communication open to you.

- 1. Tell your child's teacher at the end of the day
- 2. Speak to a Senior Leader on the gate each morning.
- 3. Go to the school office, or phone especially if you want to see Mrs Elwell or Mrs Farmer.
- 4. Send an email

General enquiries <u>info@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk</u>

Teachers can be reached by:

EYFS@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk Year1@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk Year2@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk Year3@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk Year4@queen.vic.dudley.sch.uk Year5@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk Year6@queen-vic.dudley.sch.uk

Please put the teachers name in the subject line of the email.

TT Rockstars Day

On Friday 29th September, we will be holding a whole school TT Rockstars relaunch day. Times Tables Rock Stars is a maths programme that takes all the worry out of learning times tables and has a proven track record of boosting children's fluency and recall in multiplication and division. We have been using TT Rockstars in school for a period of time but have brought it back to the forefront of everyone's minds, and the impact the programme has had on children's progress is amazing.

We would like the children to come dressed as their favorite rock star. This could be a complete costume or just a rock star hairstyle, the choice is yours! We also want to involve parents and demonstrate how beneficial time spent on TT Rockstars is!

We look forward to seeing our Queen Vic Rock Stars on Friday 29th September for what will be an exciting day full of Maths - they may even hear some familiar rock songs!

Thank you for your continued support.



What happens from 8.30am in school?





Gates open at 8.30am and your child enters school, what happens next?

- First they hang up their coats and bags.
- They are welcomed into the classroom by their teacher who is always pleased to see them
- Reading books are given out and children read until 8.45am. Children are heard reading by their teacher and our support staff during this time too.
- At 8.45am our daily arithmetic starts. Children practice basic number skills, apply recently learnt strategies and work through set problems.
- Register is taken at 9am, as well as dinner and tuck choices. In some cases children are able to answer in French!
- By 9.15am arithmetic has been marked together and any problems sorted and the children begin on their longer lessons, which might be phonics, writing or maths.

Our gates close at 8.50am, it is vital your child is in school before the gates close as we do lots of learning from 8.30am.

Children arriving after this time miss out on reading and maths basic skills, key areas that need daily practice.

Children arriving after the gates are closed will be marked as late.

Dudley Parent Carer Forum

Dudley Parent Carer Forum are excited to launch their annual survey of SEND services. This is a completely independent survey, designed for parent carers of children or young people aged 0-25, looking at a range of education, health and social care services across the borough. Parent/Carers are invited to share their views, letting us know about the services that are doing well, and those that may need to improve. We had a fantastic response last year and the results of this provided us with some very important data which has enabled us to push for change where this is needed.

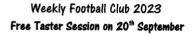
The survey takes around 10-15 minutes to complete.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7XBKXXM

Reminder

Please complete the GDPR consent forms by Friday 22nd September.

Alex's Football Coaching



Wednesdays Starting 20th September The Khalsa Academy Millfields Rd, Wolverhampton WV4 6JP

Group 1	5рт - 6рт	School Years Reception, I & 2
Group 2	6pm - 7pm	School Years 3 & 4
Group 3	7рт - 8рт	School Years 5 +

We are excited and pleased to announce that our weekly sessions on Wednesdays inside the sports hall are back.

The course will be run over 12 weeks for both boys and girls ages 4 - 12, with all abilities catered for.

Over the duration of the course, we will be focusing on many different aspects including teamwork, confidence building and technical skills in our activities, games, drills & matches.

Goaches are FA qualified; DBS checked and have lots of experience working with children.

All footballers will have a presentation at the end of the course where they will receive their individual trophy. There is also lots of opportunities to win extra medals & trophies throughout the 12 weeks.

The cost of the course is £25 every 4 weeks with additional siblings being £15.

If you would like to book a place for your child, please text child's name + Khalsa + Group Number to Alex - 07758752033 or if you have any other queries, please contact us.

(Children can join onto the course at any time even if start date is missed, so do not worry if you cannot make the start date, we completely understand children are going to miss weeks throughout the duration of the course.)

