



# Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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## **Summer term 2021**

## **6LR newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good Easter holiday and that your child is refreshed and ready to learn. This will be a very busy term with lots of exciting activities happening as we celebrate the end of your child's time at Queensgate whilst preparing them for their transition to High School. Transition work with the High Schools has already started and some visits from the heads of year 7 have already taken place or have already been arranged.

Obviously we have SATs test week to prepare for and we will start work on our end of term production – more information on that later in the term. Alongside all of this, we will continue learning about a range of topics as well as participating in a number of sporting activities.

### **SATS**

Children will take their SATs tests on the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. Please make sure the children are rested for this week and have had plenty of time to relax. They should not have to do revision in the evenings. We are also inviting the children to a free breakfast club in the mornings (Monday- Thursday) from 8.00 so they can have something to eat and socialise with their friends before the tests begin. If any child is showing signs of stress about the tests, please let me know as they really do not need to worry. They have been working hard in school and the tests are just an opportunity to show what they have learnt. On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May we will be celebrating the end of SATS week by having a day at the seafront playing games, making dens, crabbing and relaxing.

### **Science/Topic**

In science (and in some of our English lessons) we will be investigating the circulatory system and keeping healthy. This will also be linked to the text "Pig heart boy" by Malorie Blackman which we will be reading as a class. In topic we will be looking at the development of the railways initially and then more specifically on the history of railways on the Isle of Wight for our topic this term.

### **PE lessons**

This term brings the start of the athletics, handball, tennis and rounders/cricket season with competitions planned for most of these sports. Weather dependent, we will be working on developing our skills in these areas and improving on our own personal best times/distances achieved. All children will need to come to school wearing their full Queensgate PE kit in school on a Monday and a Thursday.

### **Sports Slam**

As a class, we will be taking part in the national Sports Slam project which runs through the month of May. This will involve the children participating in a range of sporting activities and then designing their own unique sport. Children will be rewarded with a sports direct discount voucher on the successful completion of these activities.

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## **Writing Project**

After SATs week, we will be working on the Premier League Primary Stars writing project. Over the space of two weeks, the children will be challenged to work in groups or on their own to produce a magazine with multiple articles using different text types. Although some of the resources are football based, the children will be able to choose the theme of their magazine as long as it is suitable for a KS 2 audience. This will encourage the children to consider their audience and the purpose of their writing.

## **PSHE**

In PSHE we will be looking at a range of different topics including relationships. This half term we will be considering the important relationships in their lives and some of the feelings that go with these. The children will look at feelings of loss, and understanding what these mean. Some children will have only limited experience of loss but others will have experienced bereavement and parents' separation or divorce. For most children it will be very valuable to have an opportunity to think about these issues. For some children, though, this might be really difficult – for example if they have experienced a recent loss – I will be happy to talk about this with you if you would like to, please phone the office to arrange a time for us to meet.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Radcliffe

Mrs Jones

Mrs Kingsbury