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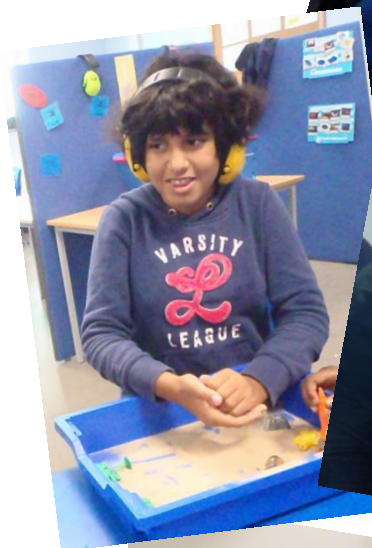
I hope you are able to enjoy our latest newsletter. It is always a pleasure to share updates and pictures that illustrate how much the children enjoy school and progress. We are making very good progress with registering our Children's Home with Ofsted, which we will mean we can offer overnight short breaks here at Queensmill. The attendance to our first meeting for parents was especially high; indicating how keenly anticipated this development is. As soon as I am able to release an official opening date, I will but progress is very, very good.

Our post-19 unit opens in September and plans for this are also progressing very well. We will be announcing an update meeting for parents shortly. We are very pleased too with the development of our 'SoSafe' programme. Some parents will have seen their child's 'people and relationships' book and sent in photos. These are so helpful for the children so if you haven't already, please talk to your child's teacher.

In June, we will have a series of Sports Days for the children. A letter informing you about the date and times for your child's age group will be with you shortly.

I look forward to sharing more news with you.

Thanks,
Freddie Adu



Term dates

Half-term - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2016

Monday 6th June – Staff Training

Tuesday 7th June 2016 – Tuesday 19th July 2016

Summer break – Wednesday 20th July - Friday 2nd September 2016

Monday 5th September – Staff Training

Tuesday 6th September 2016 – Children back to school



Early Years and Primary



Turquoise class and Green class have been learning about animals. Turquoise class went to Battersea Park Zoo where the children had a fun day out, meeting some friendly pigs and rabbits and visiting the monkeys and meerkats.



Blue class have been learning about the topic 'A Teddy Bear's Picnic.' We made invitations to send home to our teddy bears inviting them to come into school for a special indoor teddy bear's picnic. The children enjoyed showing their teddy bears around the classroom and they did well to share picnic food too! Here are some photos of Blue class children at the teddy bear's picnic with their teddies!



Silver class have been enjoying their bike sessions with Maxi now able to ride without stabilisers! Kirsty from Music House also brought in a violin for the class to play and explore in their weekly music lessons.





Fulham Primary

On 12th of May Tigers Class took a class trip to "Kidzania" in Westfield, Shepherd's Bush.

Kidzania provides a real-life role-playing environment that challenges and inspires children through a variety of fun activities.

Our little Tigers experienced jobs such as working in a bank, a doctor, a firefighter, or even navigating through the skies as a plane pilot.



Daisies class enjoyed a lovely trip to Kew Gardens. They went on a woodland walk, did some observational drawings and visited the tropical glass house with aquarium below. They were super excited to see baby swans!



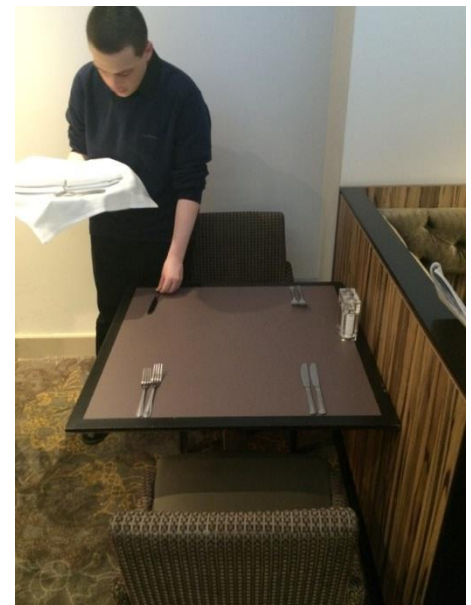
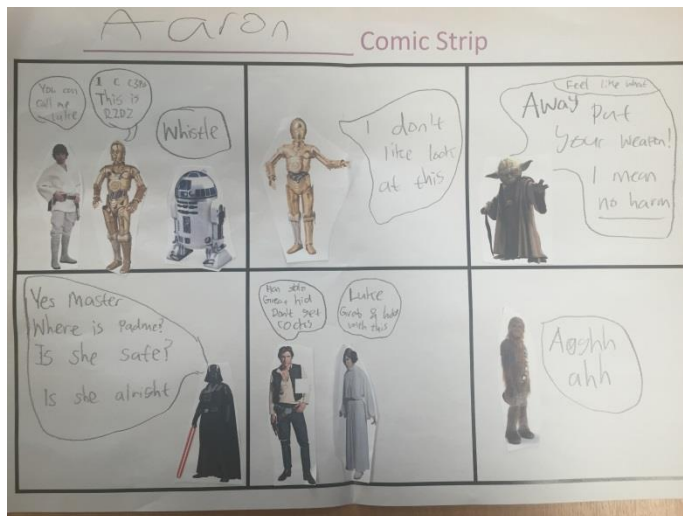
Post-19



Secondary

Class 6 have been making comic strips, building on narratives by sequencing their stories with pictures and speech bubbles. Well done to Aaron for this Star Wars strip!

William has been attending a work experience at Novotel Hotel in Hammersmith. He has been learning table setting, dish washing, and cutlery polishing. He has become more independent in these tasks over the last term and takes great pride in his work.





Q4 at Fulham College Boys

Q5 at Fulham Cross Girls

Last month we went on a residential trip to Wide Horizons in Kent for two nights. We took pupils from Fulham Cross Girls unit and Fulham College Boys Unit. There were so many achievements on this trip including some pupils experiencing their first night away from home! We took part in lots of fun activities including a zip wire, climbing, archery, a barn social and completing team building activities. All of the pupils faced their fears and tried lots of new things, with most asking if they could come back next year. Well done to all of the pupils who made the most of this amazing opportunity.



This term in Science the students at Q4 and Q5 are learning about Living things and their habitats. One of our main focuses is recognising, naming and categorising animals using classification keys. To support the students in this area of the curriculum on Friday 13th May the students went on a trip to London Zoo. The students were actively involved in many stages of the planning process for this trip including deciding routes for the journey, writing sets of rules, organising schedules and working together to consider which animals to visit. All the students had a fantastic day and learnt a lot from the experience.





Welcome



Following internal advertisement and interviews in February this year; Sue Meacham was welcomed into the Queensmill Occupational Therapy Department as our new full-time Occupational Therapy Assistant. Sue previously worked as one of the Secondary Department Teaching Assistants, has a range of experience working in different special schools and has completed specialist therapies training. Sue supports Caroline, Anna and Louisa, our three Occupational Therapists, by: Offering direct sessions with students, modelling Occupational Therapy strategies to staff, helping to run OT groups, providing equipment and keeping all of the department admin on track! She works with all of the departments at Queensmill School as well as visiting our mainstream units on a regular basis. Sue has been a valuable addition to the Occupational Therapy team and is vital in ensuring that occupational therapy approaches continue to be embedded in the school's day-to-day practice.



Goodbye



Max Brackenbury joined Queensmill School as a research intern last year. This September, we were lucky enough to have Max join the school on a full-time basis where he has since been supporting within the admin department as well as working as our Research and Development Assistant. Max's research skills have been invaluable in enabling us to run internal research projects to trial new approaches and to monitor the effectiveness of different ways of working. He has also supported external research and been responsible for putting together our termly Research and Development newsletter. Queensmill School is the lead school for research within the local teaching schools alliance for West London. Max's contributions to the administration and running of the committee linked to this have been hugely important in spreading Queensmill's good practice by promoting research in schools. We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Max as he leaves the school to go on a big trip through South America then Japan. We wish him the best of luck and hope that he will come back to visit us soon!



Fundraisers

To the right is the completed artwork for 'Help a South African School Competition': a collage made with the works of Early Years and Primary pupils. They all decorated a cut out of a fruit that is grown by farmers in South Africa using a multitude of tactile resources.

Please send any unwanted books of any genre - fiction, non-fiction or textbooks into school. Before the end of the Summer, we will arrange a collection so that the books can be sent to South Africa to help combat high rates of illiteracy.



Uniform



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1. To contact Queensmill School

- Send us an **email** with your selection in the following mail:

schooluniform@queensmill.lbhf.sch.uk

- Completing the **order form** which will be sent home soon with the brochure attached. **Please remember you have to make the payment before we process your order. You can use:*

- NatWest Bank A/C no: 10311009 Sort Code: 60-22-16

- Cash (sending it with the children)

2. Through the Brigade UK Website

Visiting their website and typing in the name of our school, you will access to all the garments offered (also a link in our website will be available as soon as possible)

<http://www.brigade.uk.com>

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