



QEII Newsletter

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This Week

Happy Christmas! We hope you all have a lovely festive break and a Happy New Year. We look forward to the students returning on **Tuesday 2nd January 2024**.

Youth Award: Congratulations to Brandon from Globetrotters on being given a Local Community Award from Saxon Weald housing association.

Staffing Changes: We are saying goodbye to Lesley Preston-Roberts and wish her all the best for the future. We are welcoming Caitlin as an SSA in Astronauts class and Niamh as an SSA in Sailors class. We are welcoming Natalie back from maternity leave, she will be teaching Monday/Tuesday in Sailors. We are welcoming Rosie back from maternity leave, she will be teaching Monday/Tuesday in Adventurers. Laura W will continue teach on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. In addition, Laura W will be teaching in Trailblazers on a Tuesday as Fi Haley is dropping a day to be with her young family.



Movement for Good Nomination: We are eligible for a prize draw of £1000 from the Benefact Group. The more nominations we get, the better our chances are. Please nominate us via this link:

www.movementforgood.com/index.php?cn=1049807&ct=disability&i=1702554773-63297.jpg&utm_source=holiday+card&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=M4G2023card&utm_id=M4G2023card#nominateACharity

Keeping Children Safe Online at Christmas: Please see the attached flyer about Christmas online safety.

Christmas Fair: Thank you to everyone who supported Globetrotters' Christmas Fair, which raised an incredible **£1100!**

Christmas Signs: Please see the attached set of Christmas Makaton signs that you can learn at home and share with your children.

PTFA: We would like to give a heartfelt thanks to all our PTFA members who give their time and energy to help raise money for the school. In December alone, they have raised **£1000** in bucket collections, Christmas raffle and guess the number of sweets competition! We really appreciate you.

QEII Governing Board: We are pleased to announce that our newly elected Co-Chairs are Sally Miller and Carolyn Howell. They can be contacted via email: smiller@qe2school.co.uk and chowell@qe2school.co.uk. Please ensure you include both Sally and Carolyn in any email correspondence. Sarah Garwood is our Vice-Chair and Sarah Hubbard is our new staff governor.

Wine Auction Fundraising: A big thank you to Bellmans Auctioneers who recently auctioned off 528 bottles of wine that had been donated to QEII by William Reed, from the International Wine Challenge. The International Wine Challenge is one of the world's most rigorous, impartial and influential wine competitions so we were thrilled to receive this donation, which raised over £1300 for our school.

Headteacher's Award Winners

Bobby, Pioneers - Excellent writing of the Christmas Story,
Hazel, Trailblazers - Fantastic prayer reading and solo singing at the Seniors Carol Concert.

Letters Home

Balloonists, Pilots, Mountaineers & Astronauts: Swimming at Pavilions letter. (Sent home in bags.)

Christmas Fun!

We have had lots of fun Christmas activities this week. Here are some Christmassy photos for you to enjoy!

