

Thursday 16th July 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of my first year as headteacher, I want to thank both students and staff for their incredible contribution to Queensbridge. Our students have worked hard throughout the year, earning more than 200,000 recognition points, and last week's Awards Evening and Prom offered a fantastic opportunity to celebrate everything they have achieved.

Looking back, I am incredibly proud of the commitment our students show in lessons, working alongside staff who support them to reach their full potential. What makes Queensbridge truly exceptional, though, is how our young people use the vast range of opportunities outside the classroom to grow as individuals. Whether they are building confidence on stage, taking on leadership roles across the school and wider community, or gaining vital skills for later in life, our students truly thrive here. With so many young people actively participating, Queensbridge becomes a space where a wonderfully diverse community can feel secure in being themselves while genuinely celebrating each other's successes. It has been a privilege to lead the school through these achievements over the past year, and I look forward to everything we will accomplish together next term.

Before we head into the summer break, please take a moment to review the following end-of-term updates and notices.

Stronger Together

Due to the exceptionally hot weather earlier this term, we had to make the difficult decision to postpone our Stronger Together Festival. This is always a major highlight of our school year, and it is incredibly important to us that the students who worked so hard to prepare still get their chance to perform. I am delighted to say that the festival has now been rescheduled for **Saturday 3rd October 2026**. Please save the date in your diaries, we look forward to seeing you there to celebrate our students' fantastic talents!

Governing Board

We are pleased to announce that Debbie James has been appointed as the new Chair of Governors at Queensbridge. Debbie is also our Local Authority Governor and brings a wealth of experience to the role. We are very much looking forward to working with her as she supports the continued development of our school.



We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Jo Klaces for her dedication and commitment during her time as Chair of Governors. Her leadership has been invaluable to Queensbridge.

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We are delighted that Jo will continue to support the school in her role as a Co-opted Governor, and as our Link Governor for SEND.

Information about the Governing Board is available on the school website. [Queensbridge - Governors](#) We encourage you to visit the site for detailed information about its role, membership, and responsibilities.

Additionally, please be aware that parent governor elections will be taking place when we return for the new academic year. Further details regarding the nomination process and key dates will be shared at the beginning of the Autumn term.

Uniform Update

At Queensbridge, we value the importance of our school uniform and maintain high expectations regarding students' appearance and readiness for learning. Our uniform is an important part of our school identity and helps to promote a sense of pride, belonging, and community.

As you will remember from a letter earlier this year, there has been an update to legislation around school uniform which limits the number of branded items parents are required to purchase. The required branded items are as follows – a school jumper with the Q logo, A polo shirt with the Q logo and a short sleeved PE top with the Q logo.



Please can we ask that parents/carers engage with the uniform, appearance and equipment list on our school website [Queensbridge - Uniform](#) so that we can have a smooth start to the new term.

Pre-loved uniform

We are committed to keeping a strong supply of pre-loved uniform available for families, and it was heartening to see so many parents make use of this at our Year 6 transition evening. Having good quality second-hand uniform to offer not only reduces costs for families but also supports our sustainability values and ensures every child has what they need to feel confident in school. If your child grows out of any uniform items over the summer, please keep hold of them and drop washed items to reception at the start of the new term so we can maintain a healthy stock for families who need it.

Easy Fundraising

EasyFundraising is a really simple way to support Queensbridge when you shop online, and it costs nothing. Big retailers like Tesco, John Lewis, M&S, Argos and Booking.com all give small donations when you buy through the platform — and if more families joined in, those small amounts would quickly add up to meaningful extra funds for our students. It only takes a couple of minutes to set up, and once it's done you don't have to think about it again. As we head into the summer, please do take a moment to register at www.easyfundraising.org.uk ; it's an easy way to help the school do even more for our young people.

Happy, Safe Summer – reminder from the West Midlands Police

As we head into the summer break, we would encourage all students to enjoy themselves responsibly and take care of their own wellbeing and that of those around them. West Midlands Police have shared a helpful reminder letter with advice on staying safe throughout the holidays. [Queensbridge - Letters Home](#)

Dates for your diary

As the year now draws to a close, I would also like to share with you some important information on your child's return to school in September. The table below shows the date and time that each year group will be returning, and all pupils are expected to attend in full school uniform.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION				
Date of return to school	Year Group	Arrival time	School start time	Location
Thursday 3 rd September	7	On site from 8:30am but no later than 8.40am	8:45am	Assembly – Hall Line up at the front of school. Students will be taken into the hall for an assembly
Thursday 3 rd September	11	On site from 9.15am but no later than 9.25am	9:30am	Assembly – Hall Line up on front playground
Friday 4 th September	Whole school	On site from 8.30am but no later than 8.40am	8.45am	Go to form

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time, in the correct uniform and ready to learn.

Please visit our website for 2026 27 term dates and school day timetable [Stronger Together | Term Dates \(queensbridge.bham.sch.uk\)](https://www.queensbridge.bham.sch.uk)

I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in September.

Have a restful and enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S Taylor', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Miss S Taylor
Headteacher

KEY DATES FOR THE TERM AHEAD

You can always access the school calendar on the website; look under About Us/Calendar.

[Queensbridge - Calendar](#)