



Newsletter 7th May 2021

Message from Mrs Reeves, Headteacher.

Thank you for your support this week. Today we closed our Year 11 bubble following a number of positive tests results. All Year 11 pupils are to now self-isolate until Sunday 16 May. Lessons move to Microsoft Teams.

May I remind all parents that:

- Lateral flow tests results (every Wednesday and Sunday) **MUST** be uploaded to the google form each time. <https://forms.office.com/r/6f525isXed>
- Any positive result **MUST** be reported to school immediately using Covidresults@queensbridge.bham.sch.uk
- Please supervise your child throughout the test, follow the instructions to upload the result to NHS Track and Trace. The quickest way is to use a phone and log into: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>
- Information on how to get a PCR test can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- If lateral flow test is unclear (void) pupils will need to do another one.
- Outside of school pupils are to follow national guidelines.
- Unless medical exemption is submitted to school all pupils are required to wear a mask in school.

In other news - Next week is National Mental Health Week and we will be taking part in the NSPCC Green Dot campaign. For our Muslim community it is also Eid, a reminder to parents that pupils may have religious observance for one day. It is also Parents' Evening for Year 11 on Tuesday 11 May.

And finally, I want to share with our community the just giving page that has been created in memory of Safia Lardner one of our Year 8 pupils who has passed away. Please use the link below to contribute to the RSPB in her memory.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/k-khan3>

Please have a restful weekend and Eid Mubarak to our families.



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Recognition Page

Congratulations to everyone at Queensbridge.

Current running recognition points total is 97951.

Recognition points leader board – Top 3

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Isobel B Eisa Z Chloe H	Aisha B Adna D Nicole M	Idalia Biniam F Tom M Salma O	Jasmine N Lydia S Louis S & Erin S (joint)	Miriam D Justin H Josiah S

Year 7

Tabitha M for always being caring and supportive towards her peers.

Year 8

Elvie S, for commitment to all areas of school life and being a good friend.

Year 9

Zoya S for brilliant reading 😊

Year 10

Lydia S. Well done for showing such love and care this week. Your resilience and maturity does

Year 11

For working so hard no matter what, well done Justin H!

Lower School



We are back... Wider Learning and Catch-Up

Club	Venue	Year Group
Monday After School		
Football	Field	8
Netball	Netball Court	8
Cricket	Astro	8
D of E – Expedition Planning	112	Year 10 D of E Bronze participants
Samba	229	7
A Monster Calls Book Group	118	8
When Mr Dog Bites Book Group	112	10
Photography	230	9
Arts and Craft	309	7
Running Club	Field	7
Tuesday After School		
Table Tennis	Lounge	9
Photoshop	309a	7
Smile Book Group	309	7
Wednesday After School		
Football	Field	7
Netball	Netball Court	7
Hockey	Astro	7
Well-Being Wednesday	Learning Zone	8
Well-Being Wednesday	213	9
QB Youth Theatre	Hall	8
Johnny Delgado	118	8
Music Tech	230	9
David Walliams Book Group	304	7
Persepolis Book Group	117	8
Only Ever Yours Book Group	215	9
Sealed with a Loving Kiss Book Group	315	9
Thursday After School		
Football	Field	9
Netball	Netball Court	9
Table Tennis	Lounge	8



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Hockey	Astro	9
Dance project	Hall	8
Well-Being Thursday	309a	7
Carnegie Book Group	118	8
Factfulness Book Group	214	9

Friday After School

Next Level Readers	307	7
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Please note that from 7th June the PE clubs will rotate to Summer sports including Cricket and Rounders.

- **From Ms Kassim (Head of Yr7) and the Year 7 Well-being Team**

The continuous engagement has been amazing both for afterschool clubs and in lessons. As Ramadan is coming to an end, I would like to wish Eid Mubarak to all who are celebrating Eid al fitr next week.

- **From Mrs Coyles (Head of Yr8) and the Year 8 Well-being Team**

Year 8 are now well into Cycle 4 and settled into new topics and challenges. In English we are learning about how the media works, which is helping them in developing vocabulary and persuasive writing styles, which is bringing about much lively debate. We are pleased to say that the Maths Challenge is continuing from Monday, but this time is online and pupils are competing as individuals rather than form teams – there will be prizes for top achievers.

- **From Miss Dunleavy (Head of Yr9) and the Year 9 Well-being Team**

Hi Year 9

Thank you for all of your hard work again this week, you are all fantastic and it does not go unnoticed.

Happy Eid to all of you who will be celebrating next week.

Have a great weekend everyone and keep smiling 😊

Upper School

- **From Miss Powell (Head of Yr10) and the Year 10 Wellbeing Team.**

“The best way to predict the future is to create it.” Abraham Lincoln

Where do the days go?

3 weeks left until half term.

3 weeks to make a change.

Big or small. These changes will eventually add up to big results.

Have a lovely weekend and be safe.

- **From Mr Shaqur (Head of Yr11) & the Year 11 Wellbeing Team.**

Dear Year 11

The strangest of weeks ends with all of you here on Monday and all of you sent home by Friday. We will see you when it is safe to do so. Until then its Teams, revise, rest and repeat. Please ensure you are isolating as you need to be for the safety and wellbeing of all. Eid Mubarak to all families celebrating next week as Ramadhan draws to an end,

- **Yr11 Parents' Evening**

Yr11 Parents' evening, please click on link bit.ly/QB_y11_parents to book your online parents' evening appointment for Tuesday 11th May. Thank you.

QB Update

- **Mental Health Awareness Week 10th-16th May 2021:
The Green Dot Campaign**

Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week as led by The [Mental Health Foundation](#). As a school community it is important that we go beyond awareness and think about the practical ways we can all make a difference to both our own mental wellbeing, and that of those around us. With this in mind we have decided to use this coming week to launch **The Green Dot Campaign** at Queensbridge.

The Green Dot Campaign was originally created by Dr. Dorothy Edwards to combat sexual violence and harassment on college campuses, but has since become much more wide-reaching. The campaign is centered on the idea that **everybody has a part to play in creating a safe and respectful environment**. It seeks to engage and empower bystanders to help prevent harmful or violent interactions.

Knowing the effects that bullying, prejudice, harmful language and negative social interactions (in person and online) can have on the mental wellbeing of young people, we want to help our pupils have the confidence to stick up for what they know is right, learn how to navigate difficult situations and also to know where they can go for support.

This week, pupils in years 7 to 9 have attended assemblies around the theme of 'Language is Power,' and year 10 will have this assembly on Monday. Pupils will also take part in two TFL (Toolkit for Life) form time sessions centered around the campaign. Keep an eye out next week for updates on twitter and a new student wellbeing section on our website!

Miss Elkin
Safeguarding Team

edulinkone Not yet activated your account? Please check your email. Thank you.

As a school we are continually aiming to improve how we engage with parents and update you with information about your child. We have introduced a new parental portal to yr 7-10.

EduLink One is a web and app based application, which aims to integrate systems into one solution. Through a secure system, the feature will allow you to access a wide range of information relating to your child.

Getting started, there are two ways to use EduLink One through a web browser like internet explorer or google chrome, alternatively you can download an app to use on your mobile phone. The mobile App for EduLink One is available for ios and Android devices.

Step1.

Please find the link below for EduLink one Queensbridge login page
<https://www.edulinkone.com/#!/login?code=queensbridge>

Step 2.

Here you need you user name and password (which has been emailed to you) to login:

Note: **EduLink** has the option for parents to reset their own password.

Once logged into the **EduLink** app, **parents** will view the following screen: Each of the available areas in **EduLink** are displayed:

- Timetable
- Recognition
- Contacts
- Update information
- Account Information
- Academic Reports

SORA Reading Recommends



<https://queensbridge.bham.sch.uk/news/sora-reading-app>

Download our [SORA Reading Recommendations](#) with instructions on accessing SORA!

KS3 SORA Recommendation	KS4 SORA Recommendation	Parent/Carer recommendation
<p>Your passion for the rules is to play the game. Ball is life. Take it to the hoop. Score. What can we imagine for our lives? What if we were the star players, moving and growing through the game of life? What if we had our own rules of the game to help us get what we want, what we aspire to, what will enrich our lives? The Playbook provides inspiration on the court of life. This motivational and inspirational book is for anyone wanting a little bit of encouragement.</p>	<p>Love in Color showcases love stories from history and mythology retold with new detail. These are captivating stories that travel across different perspectives, continents, and genres.</p>	<p>Small Steps, love and loneliness, wit and despair all wrapped in an unexpected mystery and placed in a perfectly realised 50s setting. Effortless to read, but every sentence lingers in the mind.</p>

QB #everybodyreadsatQB

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated so generously to our Crowdfunder. The Limited Edition book plates are winging their way to new homes this week.

Due to COVID our school has been temporarily closed. Our staff get a book into the hands of Queensbridge pupils.

Reading is at the heart of our school. It's what we do. Queensbridge school has built a strong foundation based on the importance of books and reading. However, during the past year the library has been closed to pupils because of COVID and access to books in the community is severely limited.

Information

- **Dates for your diary**

You can access the school calendar on the website; look under parents/school calendar

<https://queensbridge.bham.sch.uk/calendar>

Keeping safe and wellbeing

Please refer to the website: <https://queensbridge.bham.sch.uk/parents/safeguarding>

Free, safe and anonymous online counselling and support

"I don't think I could've spoken to someone face-to-face."

- Chat to our friendly counsellors
- Read articles written by young people
- Join live moderated forums

kooth
www.kooth.com

NHS Birmingham Community Healthcare and Foundation Trust

ChatHealth

Do you know where I can get some health advice?

The School Health Support Service can help students with a range of things like:

- Relationships, mental health, alcohol, bullying, self-harm, smoking, drugs and healthy eating

Text the School Nurse for confidential advice and support on **07480635485**

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And also the toughest

Need some advice about your child's behaviour or emotions?

Contact YoungMinds' Parents Helpline
0800 802 5544
youngminds.org.uk/parents

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Birmingham City Council

COMMUNICATION AND AUTISM TEAM (CAT)

COVID-19 & Advice for Parents / Carers

Currently the nation is experiencing a situation we have not seen before. It is requiring us all to change our normal routines and may be causing your child with autism to feel concerned and present some challenges for you as a parent and/or carer.

The Communication and Autism Team are here to help you during this difficult time. Our families and children are really important to us and we are here to provide you with support through our telephone helpline service.

You can get advice and support on a range of topics, including the following:

- Strategies to support access to home routines
- Motivating and engaging your child
- Tips for helping your child/young person to manage their school work at home
- Social communication and interaction
- Sleeping, eating and personal hygiene
- Wellbeing
- Structure and routine
- Coping with new routines
- Helping your child to understand what is happening
- Looking after yourself

We would like to assure you that our support remains available to you by telephone throughout this period.

If you would like to access this service please email CATParentEnquiries@birmingham.gov.uk with the following information:

- Your name
- The telephone number you would like to be contacted on
- The name of your child's school
- Times and dates you are not available

We will then arrange for a member of the team to call you back as soon as possible.

"We can do this if we all work together as a family"
Birmingham SEND Youth Forum

Visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/localoffer
Follow us on Twitter: @A2Education @canonairnschool

SEND PARTNERSHIP **NHS**

Help and Support

During these challenging times, support for young people's mental health remains available; please see below for how to contact these services.

Forward Thinking Birmingham
The mental health partnership for all 0-25 year olds in Birmingham. Please visit the website via the link below to access resources and information as well as make a referral into the service.
<http://www.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk/>

Pause
For support with all aspects of emotional wellbeing. Use the link below to register for support.
www.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk/services/12-pause

You can also register by leaving a message on our registration line: 0800 1564 6470 please note text/call charges do apply; one of the team will call you back and get you signed up for support.

kooth
An online mental wellbeing community that provides numerous resources and services for young people to access, to support their mental health. Can be accessed anonymously.
Please access via the link: <http://www.kooth.com>

Forward Thinking Birmingham
Clear and accessible resources, videos and information for young people, families, education and healthcare professionals to support the mental wellbeing of children.
Click on the link to access the wide variety of support and resources available:
www.ftb.org.uk/young-adults-018486

shout
85258
Text for you: 8477
Provides confidential support for teenagers and young adults experiencing anxiety, low mood, isolation, anger, distress, available 24/7. Text 86268

Childline
For all young people - website has numerous resources available and young people can also access support via phone: 0800 1111 (24 hour phone line).
www.childline.org.uk

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If you are in crisis or need immediate support

If you require immediate help or support, please contact:

- * 0300 300 0999 - In-text Message 0900-1700 this will get you through to the Forward Thinking Birmingham Urgent Care team.
- * 111 - the non-emergency NHS number.
- * 999 - if there is a life threatening emergency or you need medical treatment.

Staying safe during the Coronavirus outbreak

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other

- Wash hands**
keep washing your hands regularly
- Cover face**
wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
- Make space**
stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

Next newsletter **Friday 14th May 2021.** **Mental Health Awareness Week 10th-16th May 2021:**
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