



Queenswood News

Friday 6th January 2017



Welcome back. It's been a chilly but good start to the year. I hope you all had a good Christmas and New Year.

We have a new website:

www.queenswood.org.uk

On the website we have all the policy documents and information that we need to publish by law as well as more in depth interesting stuff about the school. All school letters and newsletters will also be published there too.

There is still some work needing to be done but feel free to have a browse. Any feedback would be very welcome.



Upcoming dates

24th Jan Young Voices

18th Feb Football Away at Aqueduct

17th Feb Last day of this half term

2nd Mar Y4/5/6 trip to Chester Zoo



Respect

As a school we believe that respect is due to everyone, and we and the children work hard to show respect to others.

We expect all adults on school grounds to show respect to others, and this includes parents. Please can I remind you that rudeness and abuse to any other adults or children—this includes other parents—will not be tolerated on school grounds and that you may not be allowed past the school gate if you are caught doing so. Thank you for your co-operation.



In order to make sure that our Queenswood children leave our school happy and confident, we believe that the following values are very important for children to learn:

- to be responsible for themselves and their behaviour
- to persevere and not give up
- to be respectful to others and appreciate what they have
- to be kind to others
- to work hard and achieve as best as they can
- to challenge themselves
- to be honest and learn from their mistakes.



To encourage children to try hard to learn these important values, we will be giving them Class Dojo points. There will be a range of rewards for getting Dojo points e.g., the top Dojo scorer each week will sit at Top Table at lunch time, every child who has earned 95% positive will earn golden time on a Friday afternoon. The children will also collect up their Dojo Points over a half term to earn 'belts' which will allow them a treat. The black belt, worth 1000 points, will involve a fun trip out of school. The lowest belt, yellow, is worth 20 points and still involves a rewarding activity at the end of half term.

Unfortunately, children do not always make the right decisions and chose behaviours that are opposite to the values we are trying to teach them. Therefore we have sanctions to help them remember to make good choices. These sanctions have changed a little and the old time to think sheets have been retired. In place of the time to think sheet there will be a learning reflection. This is a letter that the child writes to you to let you know what has been happening. These letters will only be written when other class sanctions have failed to remind the children of how they should be behaving.

Further misbehaviour and any physical violence will come straight to myself or Mrs. Willoughby to be dealt with.

We hope you support us with these new values. A leaflet explaining all of this in more details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. If you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to ask.

Class Dojo

All parents and carers are able to sign up for the Class Dojo APP. Through this you can see not only the points your children are earning but also their work and keep up-to-date with school and class messages and letters. Contact your child's teacher if you haven't already signed up for the APP. I know lots of you have already and are enjoying using it.

