



29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had an enjoyable start to the term. The children are working hard as always, and we continue to be impressed with how well they have all settled.

### **Trips**

The Year 4 children have already enjoyed their first trip to Weymouth Sealife Centre. They learnt a lot which linked to their Wonders of the Deep topic. The Year 5 children have been on their first trip today to the Winchester Science Museum. They had a fabulous time exploring the exhibits. As always we were very proud of the feedback received from the staff. They were extremely impressed with the children's enthusiasm and behaviour on both trips.

### **Facebook reminder**

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook: Queen's Park Academy. We post lots of information and news from school on this page.

### **E Safety**

Please find attached a parents and carers guide for WhatsApp, produced by National Online Safety. We would encourage you to have a look at the guide and discuss any appropriate sections with your child/children. It also contains information regarding new features and settings for this app.

### **Book Fair**

This week, we have had the Scholastic Book Fair at QPA. Each class has been given the opportunity to visit so that the children can look at the books. Every child has been given a 'Wish List' that they could complete with the details of any books that they might like to purchase, which will then be sent home with them. As Parents/Carers you can then decide if you would like to purchase any of the books. The Book Fair has also been open after school until 4pm and will be open again after school on Monday for the final time. All orders for books must be placed online from home or whilst you are at the Fair by scanning a QR code. Please do not send any cash into school. If you have placed an order at home or in school, please ensure you return the wish list with the bottom half completed to show what you have purchased. This way we can ensure we get the correct order to you. The deadline for ordering books is 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 at 4pm.

### **Mobile Phones**

We understand that some of our older children do walk to or from school alone and that parents provide them with a phone to ensure they are safe. Please provide your child's Teacher with a letter so we are aware who has permission to have a phone to and from school. Please note that we cannot be responsible for these phones. Please can you remind your children that they should not have their phones on whilst they are on school property. This includes before and after school.

Best wishes, as always

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