



QUEEN'S CROFT HIGH SCHOOL

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

13th September 2019

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KEY DIARY DATES

September 2019

25th Year 6 open morning

October 2019

4th School Photographs

25th School closes for Half Term

PSHE Theme Day

November 2019

4th School Opens

19th KS4 Consultation and Careers event

December 2019

18th Christmas Dinner

19th Carol Service

20th Pantomime

End of Term

January 2020

6th School Opens

30th PSHE Theme Day

February 2020

14th Half Term

24th School Opens

INSET DATES

31st January 2020

26th June 2020

20th July 2020

Message from the Headteacher

We have had a super start to the new academic year! I am delighted to welcome our new pupils and families and hope you have an enjoyable and fulfilling time at Queen's Croft. I am also really pleased to welcome back our existing students to what promises to be an exciting programme of learning. We do have more students on roll than ever, which presents additional challenges, but it does also mean that we are able to offer the breadth and range of subjects and classes that contributes to making our school such a wonderful place. I am really looking forward to getting to know as many families as possible and look forward to hearing your thoughts and observations as we constantly strive to improve the education we offer to your children.

Academisation Update:

Queen's Croft High School converted to academy status on 1st September as part of a new trust, The Greywood Multi-Schools Trust. We are working with The Friary School and Henry Chadwick School initially as founder members of the trust and hope other schools will join us in the near future. I will keep you updated on developments relating to the trust.

Car Parking:

The high number of students means the car park is extremely busy in both the morning and the afternoon. I would ask as many parents as possible to walk their children into school rather than drive in order to minimise the congestion and keep our students as safe as possible.

Peter Hawksworth, Headteacher

Food Technology Plastic Containers

Please could you send your child into school with a plastic container when they have a food technology lesson.
Thank you for your support.



Mrs Underwood, HLTA Food Tech.

Friends of Queens Croft

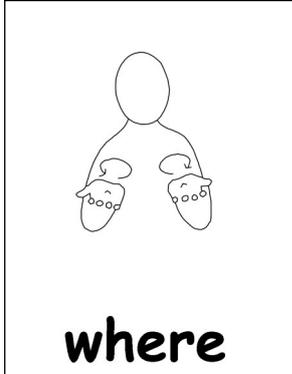
The Friends of Queen's Croft AGM and Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday 25th September at the Duke of York Pub in Lichfield.



Makaton Sign of the Week

This week's sign is Where?!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #wetalkmakaton to appear on our video wall on wetalkmakaton.org.



Outward circling movement

We have provided you with these signs and/or symbols free of charge, with your help The Makaton charity can help more people communicate, please donate online at justgiving.com/makaton.

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Word Workout

Welcome back to all of our new and returning students to Queen's Croft, I hope you all had restful breaks! For the new students joining us, every week we have a letter square where we have to make as many words as we can with the letters provided. All words must be 3 or more letters long and you cannot use the same letter twice, for example: **went** and **fog** would be accepted but **it** wouldn't be as it is only 2 letters long. Have a go and see how many words you can make with the letters provided! Remember to let Mrs Ratcliffe know your results—good luck!

W	E	X	T
D	R	L	N
S	E	M	I
F	G	O	U

Mrs Ratcliffe

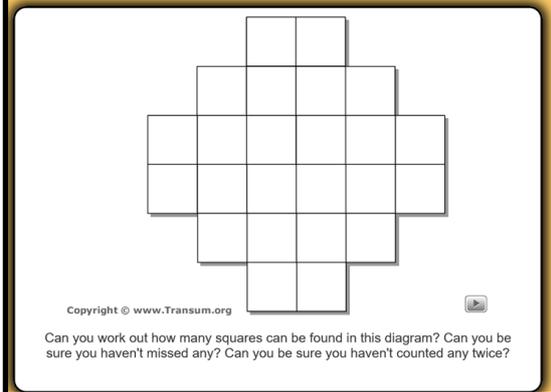
Reading, Writing and Communication Coordinator.

Maths

Hi all, We hope you have all had an enjoyable 6 weeks holiday, it has be a very interesting and busy week in maths. This week all pupils have been working hard completing assessments in preparation for the new term. In the meantime have a go at these problems; How many squares can you find? M is for mathematics but how many mathematical words can you find beginning with M?



How Many Squares? [1]



Greg Debar-Smith, Class Teacher.

School uniform and personal belongings

Everyone is looking very smart at the start of this new academic year in their uniforms. Please help us to ensure that your child comes home with all of their belongings by clearly labelling them.

Julia Lloyd-Jones, Deputy Headteacher.

No Nuts policy

As we have several children in school who suffer from a severe nut allergy please could I take this opportunity to remind everyone that our school endeavours to have a "No Nuts Policy". Our nut free policy means items such as packs of nuts, fruit and cereal bars containing nuts and sesame seed rolls should not be bought into school.

School Absences / Appointments

Dear Parents/Carers, please inform the school office by 8:45am if your child is ill or has an appointment. If the office are not called, we will attempt to reach parents at home or work. Failure to do so will result in your child receiving an unauthorised absence.