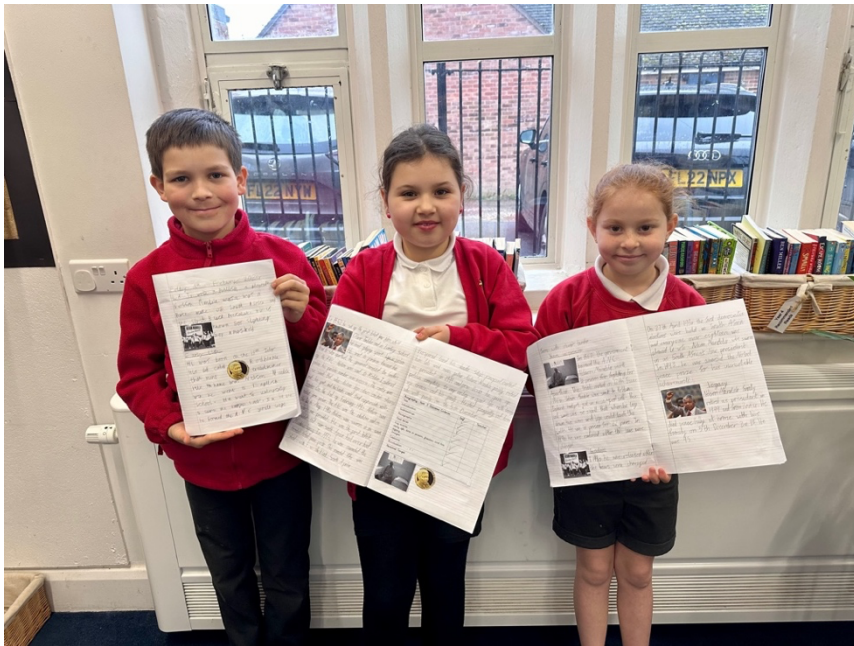




The Clock



From **Mrs Piper-Hadfield**

Time for the latest news:

It's been a wonderful week of celebrating successes! We have seen so much progression in the children's work this half-term and it's such a joy to reflect on just how much they have each developed since September. Their attitudes towards learning are so positive and there is a clear love of learning across school. I am sure they are all now ready for a well-deserved half term break!

Time to Celebrate...



Mrs Piper-Hadfield's sparklers this week are:

Scarlett YR & Ted Y2 for kindness and respect – nominated by Mrs Whitney

Eva Y3 for respect & love of learning – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield

Olivia Y6 for resilience, determination, and passion (for smashing her PB and finishing 7th in the final heats!) – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield and Mrs Clarke

Oliver Y4 for encouragement and support – nominated by Mrs Bates

The Woodpeckers – for the effort put into all of their incredible Nelson Mandela speeches – nominated by Mrs Piper-Hadfield, Mrs Bates and Mrs Clarke

Billy Y5 and Holly Y6 for kindness – nominated by Mrs Bailey.

Photo: Three very proud writers with their Nelson Mandela biographies!



5th June – Assembly Invite

I have an early invite for you, so that we can make sure as many parents are able to join us as possible.

On **Wednesday 5th June**, Matt Crawford, the CEO of our trust, EMBARK federation, will be running a special assembly.

Many of you will have either seen or met Matt before, but for any new parents, this will of course be the first time.

Matt will be relaunching the **EMBARK award** for our school and discussing the opportunities that these present for our children.

More details about the award can be found on our website (or you can of course wait to hear from Matt on the day).

The assembly will commence at **2.45pm** and so we invite families to join us for this time.

I will of course put a reminder out closer to the time and add it to the 'important dates list' below.

In the meantime, we do still invite children to complete the EMBARK awards (we haven't received any for a while!).

These are recorded in the folder they each have at school, with a sticker being placed over each one they achieve. – we love having pictures to add to the folders too.

(NB: The pages in their home learning diaries are just there as a reminder and not for recording awards achieved).

Primary Art Day – Y4-6

On Tuesday 21st May our Y4, 5 and 6 pupils have been invited to join QEGS' Primary Arts Day.

The theme for this year is 'Nature' and children will complete workshops in dance, drama, music, art and PE, with the last 30 minutes culminating in a showcase of the days' activities.

The day will run from 9.30-2.30pm and so we ask parents to drop off at QEGS' bus bay (at 9.15pm) and collect from the same place (at 2.30pm)

A packed lunch will be required. This day is free of charge but please consent via ParentPay.

Spring 2 After-School Clubs

3.15-4.15

Monday* – **Lego** (Mrs Piper-Hadfield)

Tuesday – **Basketball** (Primary Stars)

Wednesday – **Creative** (Miss Beresford)

Thursday – **Dance** (Primary Stars)

*No club on Monday 11th March due to staff training

Please book directly with us, with the exception of Basketball, which should be booked directly with Primary Stars.

Spotlight on Success

This week, we have Alice in Year 1 who would like to share her latest rainbow dance academy exam

results...she passed with merit and is really excited for her show in June where she will showcase her talents in ballet and Splits and Tricks.

Alice has been attending ballet since she was 2 and a half and is only 2 exams away from completing her rainbow stand and achieving her pot of gold!

Well done Alice! We look forward to hearing more about your achievements this year and beyond! Especially when you achieve your pot of gold!



First Week Back:

Monday 26 th	Tuesday 27 th	Wednesday 28 th	Thursday 29 th	Friday 1 st
	Parent Consultations	Parent Consultations		
Lego Club (Mrs Piper-Hadfield)	Basketball Club (Primary Stars)	Creative Club (Miss Beresford)	Dance Club (Primary Stars)	No Club



Important dates for Spring 2:

Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th February – Parent Consultation Evenings

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day & Owl's school trip

Thursday 14th March – EMBARK dance festival

Friday 15th March – Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service delivering workshops in Robins & Owls

Tuesday 19th March – Parent Response Marking morning

w/c 25th March - Easter Celebrations

Friday 29th March – Good Friday (school closed)

EASTER HOLIDAYS (1st April – 12th April)

Upcoming Sports Events (for the rest of the academic year):

Thursday 14 th March	EMBARK dance festival
Tuesday 23 rd April	EYFS & KS1 Fundamentals
Tuesday 23 rd April	Y3&4 Mega Athletics
Monday 29 th April	Y5&6 Kwik Cricket
Monday 13 th May	Y3&4 Kwik Cricket
Tuesday 21 st May	QEGS dance festival
Monday 17 th June	Y3&4 rounders
Tuesday 18 th June	Primary Stars' EYFS & KS1 Sports Day
Tuesday 18 th June	Primary Stars' Y3&4 Sports Day
Monday 1 st July	Y5&6 rounders
Friday 5 th July	Longford Sports Day
TBC July	Y5&6 Bikeability
TBC July	Longford Games

School/Trust Event

Primary Stars Event

QEGS Event

