Dear Parents,

I am thrilled to let you know about our latest development, our post-19 unit (Q6). The local authority have supported us immensely well in funding a refurbishment at the Options Day Centre, 280 Goldhawk Road, which is immediately recognisable as a low-arousal, autism-specific Queensmill provision (see photos to the right). We currently have six students, all previously based at our secondary school, now attending regularly after settling in extremely well. Our thanks to Rachel, Jorge, Lindsay, Alexcia, Kirubel, Julio and Kader for making the transition and set-up of this new provision such a success.

A reminder to parents and carers that we will have parents evening from 3pm on Wednesday 30th November. Some of you may not have met the staff supporting your child in their new class, so this is a great opportunity to celebrate progress and share methods of supporting children and young people in a range of contexts. We look forward too, to seeing you at our Christmas Shows which will take place on 6th and 7th December.

Thanks
Freddie Adu





Term dates

Monday 31st October - Tuesday 20th December 2016

- Christmas break Wednesday 21st December 2016 Monday 2nd January 2017
- Tuesday 3rd January

 Training Day
- Wednesday 4th January Friday 10th February 2017
- Half-term Monday 13th February Friday 17th February 2017



Welcome New Teachers



Early Years Tessa Yellow Class

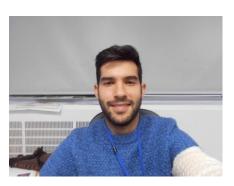




Javier Purple Class

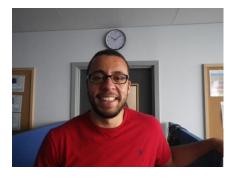


Secondary



Nestor

Jenny



Reece

Class 7





Aleksandra





Fatemah

Fulham Boys



Middle Managers



Rachel

Post 16 and Post 19
Coordinator







Therapists



Awurebena

Speech and Language
Therapist

Class 1,2,4







Christine

Respite Manager





Terri
Receptionist





Early Years







Green class have settled well into Queensmill. They are learning about clothes this half term as part of their topic. In maths the focus is on shapes. They are loving their music sessions and walks to the park with Gold class!



Absolutely amazing Angry Birds artwork, drawn completely independently by Kairon in Gold class. Everyone was extremely proud and impressed!



Primary





Pink class have been learning all about food and drink. They have looked at various fruits and vegetables and explored lots of different vegetables during cooking sessions. In art they have been using fruits and vegetables to make various patterns. During table play, pupils have engaged in role play situations- making cups of tea, sharing, mixing, dividing cake and also tasting new food items.



Secondary





Class two have been focusing on learning Signalong for their topic Responding Responsibly. Weekly topics so far have included days of the week, colours, transport, weather, food and drink and the daily routine.





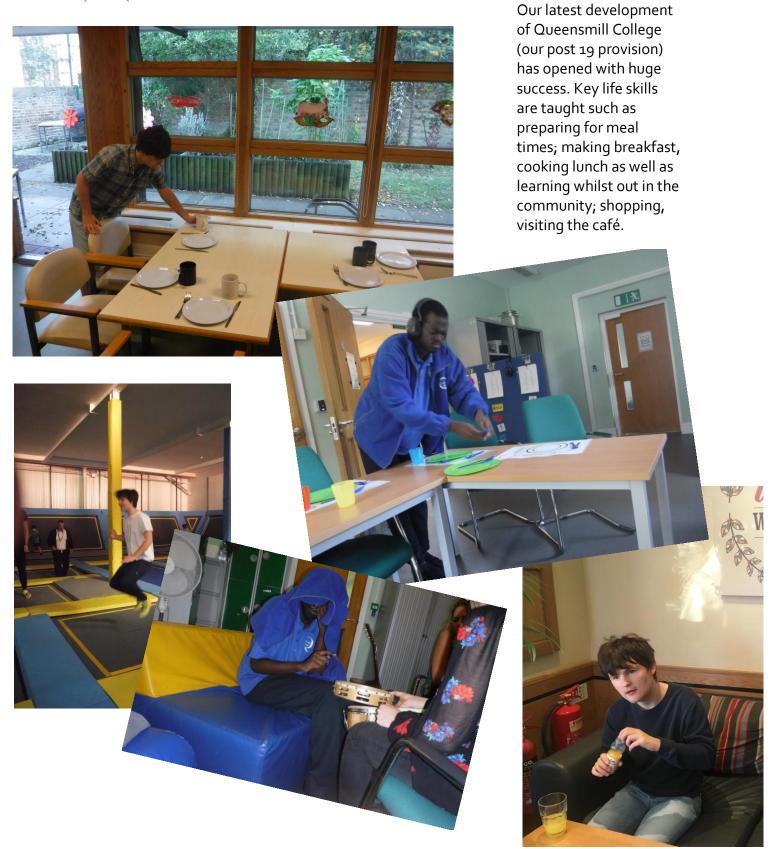




Class 7 have been learning about the Ancient Egyptians in history and loved their visit to the British Museum to discover their 'Sunken Cities: Egypt's lost world' exhibition.



Q6 Post 19







As well as community visits, Q6 are also involved in the work experience at Hyde Park, filling bird feeders and planting beans.





As part of the Arts Award, Q6 have been working on a mural project in their garden. They brightened it up with lots of colourful, floral design!







School Council

A new venture for Queensmill- our very own school council is in the process of being set up!

Each class have now chosen a representative who will be attending termly council meetings and helps decide on various topics. Our aim is to provide each and every student with a voice and enable them to contribute positively to the decisions that are made in school. The School Council aims to encourage decision making and recognise pupil contribution to the school life.

Classes are now in the process of designing our very first school council badge. Students will decide which design we will choose for our badges during the first council meeting which will take place very soon.





Physical Education



Selected students were chosen to represent Queensmill School to participate in football coaching at a Goals centre. Our students participated in various football drills and then later engaged in a football match. We mixed the teams up and played against 4 different schools and won 3 out of the 4 matches. Our students all received medals for their contributions and hard work they put in.



Christmas Shows

Queensmill Christmas shows are spread over two days and will be a short performance with different classes grouped together from each department. Parents are welcome to enjoy hot drinks and mince pies after their child's show, please come along and enjoy the festivities!



Christmas Show	
6 th December 2016	9:30 - Green and Gold Class
	10:00 - Yellow and Turquoise
	10:30 -Silver and Pink
	14:00 – Class 3,4,5
7 th December 2016	9:30 – Red and Purple
	10:00 - Orange and Blue
	10:30 - Class 1,2
	14:00 – Class 6,7



Fundraising



Leon's mum, Makiko, has been kind enough to help with some fundraising for a Queensmill residential trip. Makiko is the owner of Suzu Restaurant in Hammersmith and is donating all sales from her Sushi Burrito directly to Queensmill. The food is really delicious and it will be a great help to Queensmill and the students attending the residential, thank you!

