



MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy

AUGUST 2019 EDITION 1 NEWSLETTER



“Quote of
the week”

*“Your education is a dress
rehearsal for a life that is yours
to lead.”*

Nora Ephron

WELCOME



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you have had a wonderful summer and enjoyed the opportunity to spend more time with family and friends.

Over the summer holiday staff have been working hard to ensure that the new school building is ready for when the pupils come back to school. However, there have been some issues regarding broadband and as a result we may be slower than normal to respond to emails. I am hoping this issue will be resolved by the end of this week.

As you are aware Year 11 pupils received their examination results last Thursday. I am delighted to inform you that the vast majority of the pupils achieved at least six qualifications including GCSE passes in English and Maths. The PE results were particularly good with many of the pupils achieving the equivalent to a level 5/6 GCSE grade.

Now that some of the pupils are able to cycle/walk to school I would like to inform you that the school gates will open at 8.30 am and pupils will be able to go to the canteen or the outdoor playground area. The rest of the school building will open at 8.45. Breakfast will start at 8.30 and end at 8.55 with form time starting at 9am.

Now that we are in our new building and pupils have access to changing rooms our expectation will be for all pupils to get changed for PE. This is because we want to promote the importance of good hygiene and help pupils to develop good habits. Pupils may also use the school showers.

I am looking forward to meeting everyone at our open afternoon on Thursday 5th September. The event starts at 4:00pm and will end at 6:00 pm. The purpose of this event is to give families and their children the opportunity to tour the school and grounds as well as meet other families and catch up with staff.

I hope that you enjoy looking at the art work on page 4 of the newsletter. I am very impressed with the work completed by the pupils during the summer term where our cross curricular theme was conflict and resolution.

Kind regards,

Nicola Wells.

FAMILY FOOTINGS UPDATE...

A big thank you to Dave Turner and Steve Haddock for an enjoyable visit to Malcolm Rail on Wednesday 10th July.

Declan and Kieran watched trains bringing in cargo, being unloaded by cranes onto lorries and delivered into the depot.

Both boys were an asset to Quest academy. Declan's passion and knowledge of trains was exceptional.



Book of the Week

GHOST

By: Jason Reynolds Illustrated by Selom Sunu

Running. That's all Ghost (real name Castle Cranshaw) has ever known.

But Ghost has been running for the wrong reasons - until he meets Coach, an ex-Olympic Medallist who sees something in Ghost: crazy natural talent.

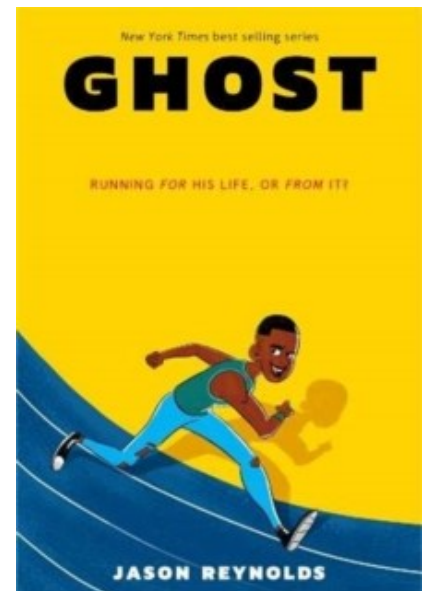
If Ghost can stay on track, literally and figuratively, he could be the best sprinter in the city.

Can Ghost harness his raw talent for speed, or will his past finally catch up to him? READ THE RUN SERIES: Ghost.

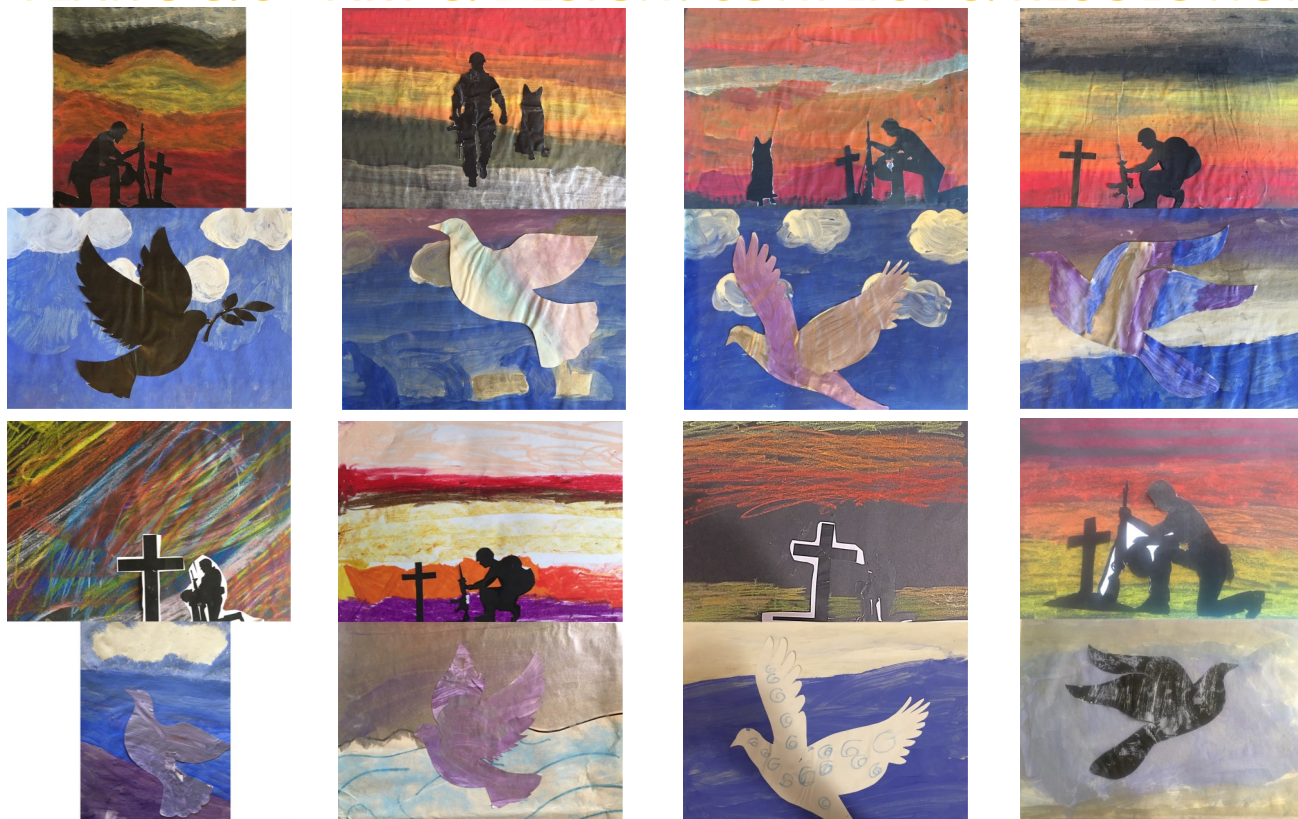
Lu. Patina. Sunny. Four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash.

But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school running team-a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together.

They all have a lot to lose and a lot to prove. Not only to each other, but to themselves.



YEAR 8 & 9 - ART & DESIGN: CONFLICT & RESOLUTION

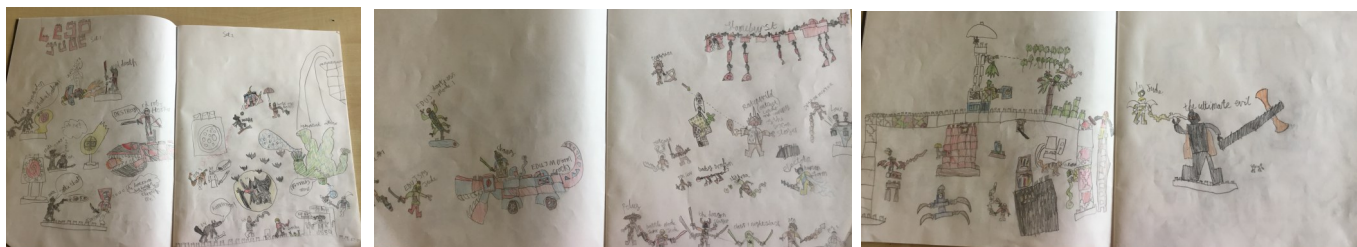


ACRYLIC ON CANVAS



ARTWORK BY JUDE, YEAR 4

These photos are of the work Jude has been creating. He does this art work to help settle himself throughout the day.



TAXIS / ESCORT IN VEHICLES

Pupil are transported to and from Quest Academy in taxis with an escort. You will need to apply to your local Specialist Transport.

- To apply for Home to School Travel Assistance for Pupil's with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) in Warwickshire please follow this link: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/sendtransport>
- For Northamptonshire follow this link: <https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/school-transport/Pages/special-educational-needs-travel-assistance.aspx>
- For Coventry follow this link: http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/4332/send_travel_assistance_application_form



| Blazer Size | Quantity In Stock at Quest | Price |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------|
| 28" / 6 | 1 | £34.99 |
| 30" / 8 | 1 | £34.99 |
| 32" / 10 | 1 | £34.99 |
| 34" / 12 | 1 | £34.99 |
| 36" / 14 | 3 | £34.99 |
| 38" / 16 | 2 | £36.99 |
| 40" / 18 | 2 | £36.99 |

| V-Neck Jumper Size | Quantity In Stock at Quest | Price |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| 30" / 76cm | 1 | £19.99 |
| 40" / 102cm | 1 | £21.99 |
| 42" / 107cm | 2 | £21.99 |

| Polo Shirt Size | Quantity In Stock at Quest | Price |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------|
| 9 - 10 Years | 2 | £11.99 |
| 11 - 12 Years | 1 | £12.99 |
| S | 3 | £13.99 |
| XL | 4 | £13.99 |

UNIFORM

Thank you to parents/carers who ensure that their child wears the correct uniform. It is important for all pupils to wear the correct uniform as it makes them feel part of Quest and helps to prepare them for the expectations around dress code when they leave the school and enter the world of work.

If you would like to purchase new uniform, we have a limited stock of polo shirts, jumpers and blazers available in school. Please see stock level and prices to the left. If we don't have the size or you require PE uniform, these can be ordered directly from Webb Ellis in Rugby. You can call and order over the telephone on **01788 567777** or email directly Christine@webb-ellis.co.uk.

We also have two new uniform items, black joggers for PE and a black V-neck sweatshirt (an alternative for the jumper).

The hoodie is for PE only and not part of the every day uniform.



COMPULSORY UNIFORM:

- ◆ **Purple** polo shirt with white Quest logo
- ◆ **Black** V-neck jumper or blazer (one or both)
- ◆ Standard **black** school trousers
- ◆ **Black** school shoes, or completely **black** trainers (no logos or entirely black logos)

CELEBRATORY ASSEMBLY: SUMMER 2019



Photography by
Scott Tavinor,
Communications
Officer for
MacIntyre Academies

50 Things To Do This

SUMMER 2019

1. Choose a family anthem for the summer
2. Make banana dolphins
3. Learn a yo-yo move
4. Dance in the rain singing 'Ella, ella Under my umbrella'
5. Paint using something from the kitchen
6. Take a plant cutting and put it in water to grow roots, make a photo diary
7. Write a fruit and veg ABC
8. Do the Hokey Cokey with friends
9. Count seeds in a melon, dry them out to plant
10. Make a sculpture out of sticks, twigs, or stones
11. Play with a Frisbee
12. Dress up as pirates all day (adults as well)
13. Make a family crest & put it on a flag
14. Make playdough and have a summer song Dough Disco
15. Have a concert in your garden
16. Play musical statues
17. Go on a hike
18. Read out and act out a story
19. Choose an animal to be for the day
20. Make home made skittles with plastic bottles and put numbers on to keep the score
21. Make a chalk target on a wall and throw wet sponges
22. Record yourselves reading a poem
23. Play pretend restaurants, who will be the waiter? What will be the theme?
24. Make pineapples into a big drinking glass to share
25. Toss pennies in a fountain/stream and make a wish
26. Have an indoor DIY Spa Day
27. Make band instruments from household items, eg pan & wooden spoon - a drum
28. Accompany your personal anthem and sing
29. Have a fancy dress day from recycled items
30. Have a fashion show & make a cat walk
31. Make a memory box for the summer, decorate & collect things over the summer
32. Research 'old' recipes and make some of the dishes
33. Make a happy family podcast and email to shonette@shonettebasonwood.com about your summer, no longer than 5 minutes. Use Iriq
34. Do bark rubbings & name the trees
35. Do secret writing
36. Build a dark den & tell a dark dark story
37. Have a family quiz night
38. Make a collage of the 7 wonders of the world and add two of your own to make 9
39. Walk for 5 metres in someone else's shoes
40. Write a letter of thank you to someone and post it snail mail
41. Do the Conga with family & friends
42. Play snap or other card games
43. Invite senior citizens or go to a care home and play card games/ dominoes (let them teach you)
44. Be a superhero for the day
45. Get creative with sand
46. Make chocolate krispie cakes
47. Make messy twister using shaving foam coloured with food colouring and put on a twister mat
48. Leave a treat for post person or refuse collector
49. Do potato prints
50. Make a collage/album of the summer

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TERM DATES FOR 2019 - 20:

Autumn Term 1

Monday 9th September - Friday 25th October

October Half Term

Monday 28th October - Wednesday 6th November

Autumn Term 2

Thursday 7th November - Friday 20th December

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January



The early May bank holiday in 2020 will move from Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

Warwickshire school term dates have been updated to reflect this, with Monday 4 May 2020 now designated a normal school day.

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How to contact members of staff:

Please contact Reception if you would like to speak with a member of staff. You will either be transferred or reception will e-mail the member of staff to let them know that you have called.

Reporting pupil absence and lateness:

If your child is absent for more than 7 days you will need to provide a doctors certificate. If we do not receive a doctors note and have not seen your child we will have no alternative

Please can we remind parent/carers to call school on 01788 593 112, before 9am if your child may be late or is unwell.