



# MacIntyre Academies

## Quest Academy

July 2018 Edition 1: Newsletter



# WELCOME



As many of you will be aware I was first appointed as the Principal for Quest in January 2017. Since then the school has risen from a virtual school to a fully functional community. Throughout the year we have had a wealth of visitors who have made positive comments about the school ethos and environment. Our young people are truly proud of being part of Quest Academy. This has been echoed with the feedback from our two DFE visits.

Personally it has been wonderful to watch all of the pupils settle into life at Quest and to see them flourish. I know that for many of our pupils this is the first time that they have enjoyed school and made friends. I would also like to publicly congratulate all the pupils for their hard work and the progress they have made towards becoming successful learners. I think that many of the pupils have surprised themselves as to how much work they have completed over the year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the support they have given the school throughout the year. I consider myself to be very lucky to work with like-minded people and to have parents and carers who have supported us throughout our first year.

As you are aware from my letter at the start of this month we received news that we have permission to start building the new school in Rugby. Pupils will visit the site regularly and update families about the building progress via the school blog as well as our fortnightly newsletter.

Best wishes

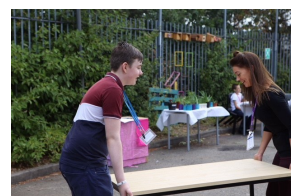
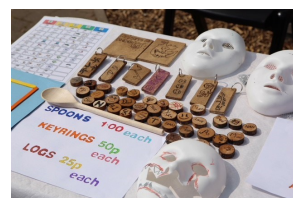
*Nicola*



*"You can break that big plan into small steps and take the first step right away."*

*Indira Gandhi*

# QUEST ACADEMY SUMMER FAIR



WHAT AN AMAZING FIRST YEAR!

Thank you for all your support – it has been an incredible year. I wanted to share the transition to our new ‘even better’ timetables. All our young people have been following the new timetable for the last two weeks of school. This has been a very successful transition and will prepare our young people for the new academic year in September.



As our staff team expands so does the quality of our school offer. We are pleased to welcome a wealth of experienced staff to the Quest Teaching Team:

Nigel Ellis	English Lead
Ian White	Maths Lead
Andy Matthews	Forest School Lead
Nicola Cahill	HLTA
Raj Bhogal	TA

#### LOWER SCHOOL TIMETABLE:

09:00 – 09:30	Lesson 1 - PSHCE
09:30 – 10:30	Lesson 2 - Literacy
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Break</b>
10:45 – 11:45	Lesson 3 - Numeracy
11:45 – 12:15	<b>Lunch</b>
12:15 – 1:00	Lesson 4 – Science/Forest School/Topic/Computing/PE
1:00 – 1:15	<b>Break</b>
1:15 – 2:00	Lesson 5 – Science/Forest School/Topic/Computing/PE
2:00 – 2:15	<b>Break</b>
2:15 – 3:00	Lesson 6 – Life Skills Programme
<b>3:00 – 3:30</b>	<b>Tutor Time</b>

#### UPPER SCHOOL TIMETABLE:

09:00 – 09:15	<b>Tutor</b>
09:15 – 10:00	Lesson 1
10:00 – 10:45	Lesson 2
10:45 – 10:55	<b>Break</b>
10:55 – 11:40	Lesson 3
11:40 – 12:25	Lesson 4
12:25 – 1:00	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 – 1:45	Lesson 5
1:45 – 2:30	Lesson 6
2:30 – 3:15	Lesson 7
<b>3:15 – 3:30</b>	<b>Tutor Time</b>



## QUEST POINTS



The changes in timetable have also resulted in the Quest Points threshold being changed for the whole school.

It will now be the following:

**UPPER SCHOOL** have 7 lessons per day and 5 lessons on Friday. This means they can earn 175 points per week.

⇒ **Gold = 175 – 165**

⇒ **Silver = 164 – 155**

⇒ **Reflection 154 and lower.**

This means Upper School have to earn 35 points per day (25 on Friday) for Gold reward time at the end of the day.

**LOWER SCHOOL** have 6 lessons per day and 5 lessons on Friday. This means they can earn 155 points per week.

⇒ **Gold = 155 – 140**

⇒ **Silver = 139 – 130**

⇒ **Reflection 129 and lower.**

This means Lower School have to earn 29 points per day (24 on Friday) for Gold reward time at the end of the day.

If there are any questions please don't hesitate to contact our school office. Wishing you all a wonderful summer break.

*Gareth*

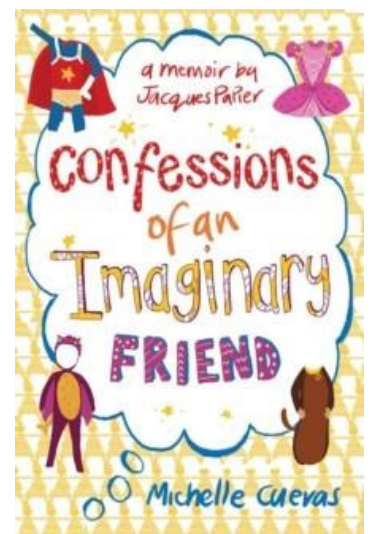
## Book of the Week

### Confessions of an Imaginary Friend

by Michelle Cuevas

Jacques Papier thinks that everyone hates him. After all, teachers ignore him when he raises his hand in class, nobody ever picks him for sports teams, and his sister, Fleur, keeps having to remind their parents to set a place for him at the dinner table. But then Jacques discovers an uncomfortable truth: He is NOT Fleur's brother; he's her imaginary friend!

And so begins Jacques' quest for identity ...what do you do when you realise that the only reason you exist is because of someone else's imagination? The whimsical "autobiography" of an imaginary friend who doesn't know he's imaginary - perfect for fans of Toy Story, The Imaginary and Moone Boy.



# TERM DATES 2018- 19

## ♦ September – December (Autumn Term 2018)

**INSET Day: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September (no school)**

**Start of Term: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

**Start of Term for New Pupils: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

**Half Term: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**INSET Day: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November (no school)**

**End of Term: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

## ♦ January – April (Spring Term 2019)

**INSET Day: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January (no school)**

**Start of Term: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

**Half Term: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

**INSET Day: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March (no school)**

**End of Term: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

## ♦ April – July (Summer Term 2019)

**Start of Term: Monday**  
**29<sup>th</sup> April**

**Bank Holiday: Monday**  
**6<sup>th</sup> May (no school)**

**Half Term: Saturday**  
**25<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**June**



# CURRENT MENUS

We run on a 3 week rolling basis and the same menu's take us round till November 2018.

## Week 1: Commencing Monday 3/9, 24/9, 15/10.

**Educaterers Lunch Menu Week 1**  
Commencing Mondays 14/5, 11/6, 2/7, 3/9, 24/9, 15/10.

Monday	(v) Vegetarian Only	Week 1 Dessert Menu
		<b>Every day we offer:</b> Fresh fruit as an alternative dessert option
<b>Tuesday</b> 		<b>Monday</b> (v) Strawberry Swirl Mousse (D)
<b>Wednesday</b> 		<b>Tuesday</b> (v) Homemade Citrus Sponge with Mandarin Oranges (G.E)
<b>Thursday</b> 		<b>Wednesday</b> (v) Homemade Cookie (G)
<b>Friday</b> 		<b>Thursday</b> (v) Homemade Orchard Fruits Crumble with Custard (G.D)
		<b>Friday</b> (v) Homemade Chocolate Cracknel (G)

**Key**  
V = vegetarian  
D = Dairy  
N = Coconut  
S = Soybean  
E = Egg  
G = Gluten/wheat  
F = Fish  
H = Mustard  
SJ = Soy  
SJ = Sulphites

All our meals include a carbohydrate accompaniment, seasonal vegetables and/or salad. We offer a choice of fruit juice cordial, organic semi skimmed milk and water to drink.  
Accompaniments may vary to those shown.  
(v) Please let your school cook know if you require a hot vegetarian meal on a day when one isn't shown.

## Week 2: Commencing Monday 10/9, 1/10, 22/10.

**Educaterers Lunch Menu Week 2**  
Commencing Mondays 21/5, 18/6, 9/7, 10/9, 1/10, 22/10.

Monday	(v) Vegetarian Only	Week 2 Dessert Menu
		<b>Every day we offer:</b> Fresh fruit as an alternative dessert option
<b>Tuesday</b> 		<b>Monday</b> Ice Cream Tub (D)
<b>Wednesday</b> 		<b>Tuesday</b> (v) Homemade Very Berry Muffin (G.E)
<b>Thursday</b> 		<b>Wednesday</b> (v) Homemade Superfood Granola Bar (G)
<b>Friday</b> 		<b>Thursday</b> (v) Toot Valley Organic Yoghurt (D)
		<b>Friday</b> (v) Homemade Chocolate Fapjack (G)

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## Week 3: Commencing Monday 17/9, 8/10, 5/11

**Educaterers Lunch Menu Week 3**  
Commencing Mondays 4/6, 25/6, 16/7, 17/9, 8/10, 5/11.

Monday	(v) Vegetarian Only	Week 3 Dessert Menu
		<b>Every day we offer:</b> Fresh fruit as an alternative dessert option
<b>Tuesday</b> 		<b>Monday</b> (v) Ice Cream Tub (D)
<b>Wednesday</b> 		<b>Tuesday</b> (v) Homemade Eve's Pudding with Custard (G.D.E)
<b>Thursday</b> 		<b>Wednesday</b> (v) Homemade Shortbread (G)
<b>Friday</b> 		<b>Thursday</b> Strawberry Mousse with Jelly and Fruit (D)
		<b>Friday</b> (v) Homemade Up Beat Chocolate Cake (G.SJ.E)

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\*Please be advised we are a nut free school.

## PUPIL PREMIUM

Pupil Premium is additional funding given to schools to address the current underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers.

As a school we decide how Pupil Premium is allocated and spent, this is because the Government feels we are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for each of our pupils. Please contact school for more information.

# GETTING READY FOR SEPTEMBER

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 below.

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](mailto:Christine@webb-ellis.co.uk).

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



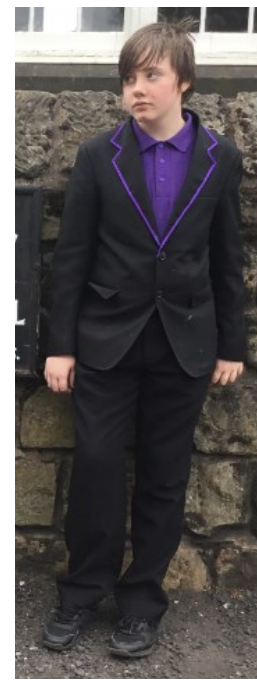
V-Neck Jumper Size	Quantity In Stock at Quest	Price
30" / 76cm	1	£19.99
40" / 102cm	1	£21.99
42" / 107cm	2	£21.99

**DON'T FORGET IT'S NON-UNIFORM DAY EVERY FRIDAY!**

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

## 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)



# KEEPING SAFE IN THE HOLIDAYS



Stay safe on the Internet



Don't tell anyone your address or phone number.

Do not send anyone a photo of you, your family or your friends.

Tell an adult straight away if you see something that worries you on the computer.

Do not chat to strangers on the internet.

Do not arrange to meet people you meet on the internet.

Play Safe

1. Always tell your parents or carers where you are playing.

2. Always tell your parents or carers how long you will be.

3. Always tell your parents or carers who you are playing with.

4. Never play near railway tracks, rivers or near a quarry.

5. Play safe and stay safest

Stuck for something to do over the summer holidays?



LET'S RIDE

# Coventry



Key:

- Start gantry
- Sprint Zone
- Festival Zone
- Route
- Short loop route
- Train station
- Festival Food Zone

**Festival Food Zone**  
University Square.

Stop off for refreshments and a fun street food experience from the award-winning Digbeth Dining Club.

## Festival Zone 1 Broadgate.



Get your commemorative bib personalised with your name or club. Join the **Wattbike Challenge** and get yourself on the leaderboard. Find out more on how to get involved in British Cycling's **HSBC UK Guided Rides**, women-only **HSBC UK Breeze rides** and our **Let's Ride Pop-Up** events. We'll also have a range of bikes for you to try out, and you can stop off at our café or one of the local outlets. There's **bike hire** available here and also **free bike checks**.

## Festival Zone 2 Millennium Place.



Come and watch the **Extreme Mountain Bike Stunt Show** throughout the day, then create your own drink on the **Smoothie Bikes**. Test your skills in our **HSBC UK Go-Ride Zone** and check out the local stalls including **Sky Blues in the Community** and **Coventry Cycling Club**. You can enjoy refreshments at the **Coventry Transport Museum Café** and get your bike securely marked by Safer Travel Police. Have you ever tried a **tandem**? Local group **Coventry VISTA** will be there to let you have a go.



**SUNDAY 5TH AUGUST**  
**BROADGATE, 11AM-3PM**  
**ROUTE LENGTH: 6KM**  
**LETSRIDE.CO.UK**



It's free to enter and has a great family atmosphere! Sunday 5th August, 11- 3  
Sign up here: <https://www.letsride.co.uk/events/coventry>





# ParentPay

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As you may already be aware, our delicious school dinners are currently being supplied by an external company, called Educaterers.

Whilst they have been proactive of renegotiating with food suppliers to keep costs down, the recent National Joint Council (NJC) pay increase in labour costs means that school dinner costs will increase slightly in September by 5 pence.

This means that with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 a school meal will cost **£2.45** per meal.

### Quest Contact details

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CV10 7SD

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T: 01788 593 112



### 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 but to refer the matter to the Safeguarding Board in line with our safeguarding procedures.

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