



Tickets are now on sale for 'Q Revue', a showcase of exciting musical numbers and routines choreographed and performed by Queenswood's dance troupes, scholars and exam students. Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 April

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Live music at Queenswood is back with a vengeance! Click here to view our packed schedule of concerts and events for the summer, including a first-class French Horn recital in partnership with the Hertfordshire Festival of Music.



Following on from last week's interactive tour of Stamp House, this week we are exploring the Queenswood Hall.



After a busy week including mocks for our older students, a home movie night might be just what you need to relax and recharge your batteries.



The Wild Isles: An Anthology of the Best of British and Irish Nature Writing by Patrick Barkham

Encompassing the bleak heights of the

Cairngorms, the ancient woodlands of Essex, the storm-lashed islands of Ireland's west coast and the lush fields of Devon, this book highlights nature's capacity to terrify and to delight, to soothe and to heal, to surprise, inspire and bring wonder.

**Did you know?** You can get a 20% discount on our recommended books at Books on the Hill in St Albans. Click the hyperlink above for more information.

## Sofia's World Cup Call-up

Mrs Cameron at St Joseph's in the Park

Music in Chapel: Imie L plays the 'Barcarolle' from Delibes' Sylvia

Music in Chapel: Olivia and Konyin's superb jazz improvisation

Year 13 Drama: book for Monday's performances of Sweeney Todd

A busy weekend of ballet exams

Boarders' weekend photography: stunning images of the Q campus

Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit!

Dressed to impress in House Charity hoodies

Welcome to the latest digest of news, events and blog posts from the website of Queenswood School. Click on the pink hyperlinks to read more.

### Melisma Quartet: Runners-Up in Prestigious Chamber Music Competition



We are very proud to announce the success of the Melisma String Quartet, who scooped the runner-up prize in the finalists concert of the prestigious South East Schools Chamber Music Competition. This is the first time our four talented string players – Tehya D (Year 13, violin 1), Jodi-Faye H (Year 12, violin 2), Nana W (Year 9, viola) and Kalli Z (Year 8, celllo) – have entered this competition, and it was unanimously agreed that they did a fantastic job of interpreting their chosen piece, Beethoven's String Quartet Op.18, No. 1 in F, 1st Mvt, with real flair and musicality.

### The Week in Chapel: Keeping Up With the News



On Monday, Mrs Ludwick spoke about moments in recent history that are etched in the collective memory: those events for which 'we'll always remember where we were when we heard the news...' She emphasised the importance of keeping up with current affairs, and explained some of the ways in which Queenswood pupils can access the news. Wednesday's Chapel was dedicated to the selection process for the Head Girl for 2022-23; there will be a full report in next week's newsletter.

## Eleanor Grant OQ: Royal Academy of Music – Final Year Student



Eleanor Grant (OQ, 2018) is an accomplished singer, double bassist and bass guitarist. She has performed as a soloist around the world, including with the Shanghai Philharmonic Orchestra and at the Last Night of the Proms, and has made many soundtrack recordings for Hollywood movies. She reflects on the support she received throughout her Sixth Form years at Queenswood.

## The Hurley Cup: Every Mile Counts in Noah's Ark Fundraiser



Friday 18 March saw the return of the Inter-House Cross Country Competition, the Hurley Cup. The last runners crossed the finishing line shortly before we finalised this week's newsletter. We have a few photos to share with you today; there will be a full report next week.

## Year 12 at UCAS Discovery Event, ExCel London



On Tuesday this week, Year 12 spent the afternoon exploring their options for higher education. Along with hundreds of other Sixth Form students from schools around London, the girls visited exhibition stands hosted by the UK's leading universities and colleges, and attended subject and university life talks.

## Year 7 PSHE: Reflections on International Women's Day



Year 7 pupils were tasked with producing written reflections on the issues and individuals they had learned about in their PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) lessons during the week of International Women's Day. There were many excellent and throught-provoking responses, and Miss Sadler (Head of PSHE) has selected some of them to share with the school community.

## Queenswood Success at the Reading Champions Quiz



Congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 students who represented Queenswood stout-heartedly in the National Literacy Trust Reading Champions Quiz last Friday. Both teams finished in the top half, and the Year 8 team came a notable 4th out of 25 - a really impressive achievement!

## March Sports Round-Up



We bring you a round-up of recent highlights from the QueenswoodSport Instagram account, including results from the county competitions in Hockey in Netball.