



Wishing all our readers a very happy and healthy half term, and a joyful Jubilee Bank Holiday!

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This Sunday, Mr Sheldon is taking on the challenge of the RideLondon Essex 100 in aid of Asthma + Lung UK. Click here to find out how you can support him.



As you will have seen, we had great fun this week celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. With the official festivities scheduled for next weekend, why not get ready for your own party by making some pretty bunting?



QUEEN FOR A Queen For All Seasons edited by Joanna Lumley.

> This is a perceptive, touching and engaging tribute: a treasure chest of first-hand writings,

JOANNA LUMLEY insights and snapshots of the Queen during key moments of her reign to form a vibrant portrait of the woman herself and the extraordinary role she plays.

Mentmore Arts Festival: an exhibition

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.

### Jubilee Celebrations: A Lunch Fit For a Queen



To top off our Jubilee fun today, the whole School enjoyed a fabulous party lunch in the Dining Hall. Our Catering team surpassed themselves, providing a Royal banquet fit for a Queen! As well as the usual Friday treat of fish and chips, there was also the very regal option of a traditional afternoon tea and the cherry on the cake was our very own Queenswood Platinum Jubilee Pudding!

### Jubilee Celebrations: A Commemorative Oak Tree



Our final commemorative tree planting took place on Friday morning, just opposite the Chapel by the path leading to the tennis courts. In glorious sunshine, our Queenswood staff led by Mrs Cameron and the incoming Head Girl and Senior Prefect Team, gathered to reflect on The Queen's seventy year reign and to plant an English Oak tree as a lasting reminder of her legacy.

# Inter-House Spelling Competition: A Spectacle of Verbal Gymnastics!



Four teams of extremely brave wordsmiths battled it out in the Clarissa Farr Theatre on Friday afternoon at the annual Inter-House Spelling Event. The atmosphere in the theatre was indescribably tense, and there were some phenomenal displays of verbal dexterity.

### Jubilee Celebrations: The Houses Support the Queen's Green Canopy



As part of our celebrations to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and in support of The Queen's Green Canopy - a tree planting initiative to create a sustainable legacy in honour of The Queen's leadership of the Nation - each of our four Houses planted a commemorative tree this week.

# Year 12 Drama Students Devise Powerful Verbatim Theatre



Year 12 Drama students created a powerful and moving piece of verbatim documentary theatre on the subject of the Post Office Scandal, inspired by the techniques of The Paper Birds, a devising theatre company with a social and political agenda. The piece was performed this week to great acclaim in the Clarissa Farr Theatre.

# Hertfordshire Festival of Music



Tickets are on sale for the Hertfordshire Festival of Music recital in the Chapel on Thursday 9 June, featuring horn virtuoso Ben Goldscheider, Principal Artist, and pianist Richard Uttley. Click on the hyperlink above to hear this extraordinarily talented musician in action, and to purchase tickets, click here.

featuring work by former Q archivist Art History teacher, Dr Wendy Bird

National Thank a Teacher Day

Folk by the Oak: a star-studded festival at Hatfield House in aid of the Willow Foundation



B Blast Their Way to Gold in the ISSF Junior World Cup



We are thrilled for Bethany N (Year 10) and her Great Britain team-mates, who have won the gold medal in the International Shooting Sports Federation Junior World Cup! Bethany was the youngest female competitor and this was her first international competition – a tremendous achievement.

### Tennis: Queenswood vs Cambridge University



Queenswood's Tennis Scholars took on some of the finest players at Cambridge University in a round of friendly matches on Wednesday 25 May. All the matches were closely fought, and we're delighted to report that Gabby R (Year 8) and Hana C (Year 7) won their singles -a really impressive achievement.