



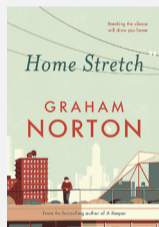
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## Christmas Hamper Donations – Deadline: Monday 30 November



Reverend Vindra would like to express her grateful thanks to all those families who have already donated gifts for our Christmas hamper charitable giving project. If girls haven't already done so, we are asking them to bring their gifts into school on Monday and leave them in the chapel porch, as they did with their Harvest donations.

## This week I am reading...



Our contributor this week is **Miss Caroline Noone**, Senior Admissions Officer. She has chosen *Home Stretch* by Graham Norton.

'I was hooked from the first chapter and I didn't want to put the book down. I lost a whole day reading it! If you're looking for a heart warming book which tackles issues that were prevalent in rural Ireland in the 1980s, then this is one for you!'

## From the classroom

**Rachel H's GCSE sketchbook: packed with research and experimental studies**

**A message from Efa, 2020-21 Swimming Captain**

**Queenswood companies totally dominate Tycoon leaderboard**

**Ms Tillotson shares how to make a 'Dodeca-ration'**

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.

## From Auden to Iron Man: Academic Scholars' Seminars



Each week, Academic Scholars meet in year group bubbles to explore and debate a range of intellectual topics, ranging from literature to cosmology. We dropped in on two seminars last Friday. Year 10 were discussing the relevance of poetry with Dr Hodgson-Jones, while next door Mrs Moore-Bridger was leading a discussion about the nature of heroism with Year 12 Scholars.

## What is an EPQ?



What exactly is an EPQ? It's an opportunity for Sixth Formers to move beyond the curriculum and research something inspiring, and an ideal way to demonstrate independent learning to university admissions tutors. We asked Year 12 to tell us about their current research projects.

## Sixth Form Medical Society



The Science department has established a new online society for aspiring medical and veterinary students in the Sixth Form. They meet via Google Classroom to review articles from journals, videos and TED talks and other academic materials relating to human and animal medicine.

## Wonderfully Diverse Musical Performances: Two Online Concerts



Our **Music Scholars** and **GCSE and A-Level students** have been busy recording performances for two fantastic online concerts this term. Click on the hyperlinks above to watch. You can use the pop-up menu at the bottom left-hand of the screen to navigate through the recitals.

## Senior Mathematics Challenge



Many congratulations to our Year 12 Mathematicians for their splendid performance in the recent Senior Mathematics Challenge, in which they received an achievement certificate. This is a highly regarded national competition aimed to stretch and challenge the most able.

## Noah's Ark Children Hospice: Q Community Helps to Raise Huge Sum



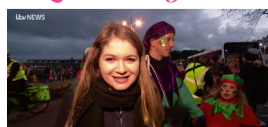
Thank you so much to everyone who donated to the Noah's Ark 'Moments That Matter' campaign earlier this week. In total over £2 million was raised to help London's most unwell babies and children, of which the Queenswood community contributed over £11,000. There is still time to donate if you would like to do so; click [here](#) for more information.

## Grand Designs: Melissa's Architectural Ambitions



Melissa O is an A-Level Art student who is in the process of applying to study Architecture. In preparation, she attended an online introductory course to architectural model making and drawing, run by Reading University.

## OQ Marina Jenkins: Reporting for ITV News from Festive Guernsey



Marina is becoming a regular fixture on ITV News. Luckily for her, she is based in Guernsey: Channel Islanders are currently enjoying greater freedom than here in locked-down England, as you can see from this lovely report.