

NEWS FROM

Queenswood



This week we've busy putting together our online Christmas Carol Service. It will be available to view at [queenswood.org/christmas-2020](https://www.queenswood.org/christmas-2020) from 2.30pm on Friday 11 December

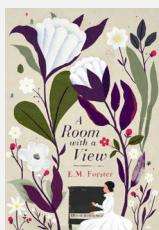
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Come and see...
The Christmas Tree!



As part of Queenswood's Christmas celebrations, our Gardens and Estates team provided us with two beautiful trees this week, one to light up our Reception area and another to welcome our girls as they pass Centre. Mrs Leigh has unearthed some fascinating facts about the origins of this festive tradition.

This week I am reading...



Our contributor this week is **Hannah V**, Head Girl. She has chosen *A Room With A View* by E.M. Forster.

'A wonderfully written book, the first half set in the sunny and beautiful Florence, Italy, and the second in the rolling hills of Surrey, England. This is the first classic novel that I have been fully immersed in and have connected with (although I do love many others too!)

From the classroom

Year 10 English: Benedick's love poetry for Beatrice

Year 7 Latin: Making Roman theatre masks for 'Poppaea and Grumio'

Computer Scientists achieve gold in Bebras Challenge

Try this at home! Mr Ward's 'functional movements' video

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.

Author Talk: Anna James Inspires Young Authors in Years 7 and 8



We were thrilled to be able to introduce Anna James, author of the popular *Pages & Co.* series of novels, to Year 7 and 8 English classes via Zoom on Wednesday. She talked about her own creative processes in great detail, and gave some inspirational advice to girls who were interested in writing stories of their own.

Easy Fundraising: Support the QPA by Shopping Online!



The Queenswood Parents' Association have set up an 'easy fundraising' page. You can support the valuable work of the QPA every time you shop online with over 4,300 retailers. Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easy fundraising will match it. Click on the hyperlink for more information.

Queenswood: One of the Top 20 All Girls Schools for Cricket



After an exhaustive process and having faced strong competition from a record number of competing schools, Queenswood are delighted to be celebrated as one of the Top 20 All Girls Schools for Cricket in *The Cricketer Schools Guide 2021*.

Countdown to Christmas: Days 1 to 4



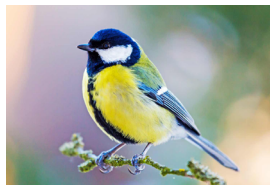
Each morning in tutorial, girls and staff have been enjoying sketches and routines put together by the Drama and Dance departments. This would normally be the week of the Christmas play, and we were determined that 'the show must go on' somehow or other. There's another week's worth of entertainment in store as we count down to the end of term, which we will share with you in the next edition.

Tycoon in Schools – It's a 1-2-3-4 for Queenswood Companies!



You will have read about the progress of our four groups of Year 12 entrepreneurs in the national Tycoon in Schools competition over recent weeks. We are excited to announce that, with just two weeks remaining, they currently occupy the top four spots on the leaderboard for most profitable companies!

The Beautiful Birds of Queenswood – Miss Langdon's Spotters' Guide



Hillary Langdon is Queenswood's Visa Coordinator. Over the years, Miss Langdon, a keen bird watcher, has enjoyed observing the fascinating birds who make our 120-acre campus their home. Here she shares the first part of her tribute to some fabulous feathered friends — the beautiful birds of Q.