



Our very best wishes for a happy, healthy 2021 from all the staff of Queenswood School

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Mental health talk for parents: Dick Moore: 'Dancing in the Rain'



The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has brought unique and unexpected challenges to young people's mental health and wellbeing, schools and parents. We are more cognisant than ever of the importance of mental health and understand that the pandemic has caused a real crisis in adolescent mental health.

We have arranged for Dick Moore to speak to parents and guardians. This will be a virtual presentation on Thursday, 14 January from 7 to 8 pm. The title of his talk will be 'Dancing in the Rain' and he will be addressing adolescent mental health.

Dick has been an English teacher, rugby coach, boarding school housemaster and, for more than 20 years, he was the headmaster of a coeducational day and boarding school. Dick's son committed suicide nearly 10 years ago and he has, by his own admission, a 'passionate interest in adolescent development and emotional wellbeing'. He has spoken a number of times at Queenswood and he is superb.

#### Dates for your diary

Year 11 Options Evening (online) Wednesday 13 January 2021, 16:45

Year 8 Options Evening (online) Wednesday 20 January 2021, 16:45

Year 9 Options Evening (online) Wednesday 3 February 2021, 16:45

#### From the classroom

Excellent results for Queenswood's ballet students

Four top-six placings for our Tycoon in Schools entrepreneurs

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'Happy New Year to you all – our pupils, parents, staff, governors and friends of Queenswood. It's not the start of a new spring term at Q that we would hope for. Indeed we've had a very firm reminder as a country that we must care for our overstretched NHS services, for vulnerable people whose lives are at risk, for those who are sick and being cared for at the moment, and do our very best not to add to that burden. And in the midst of all this it is important to look after ourselves as well as our responsibilities. There has been a degree of confusion in the run-up to the start of term and we are sorry for the disruption that this has caused. We're particularly mindful of our pupils in Years 11 and 13, and also our new pupils who join us this term – a very warm welcome to you all...'

Watch the video to hear the full address from Mrs Cameron

## Public Exams This Summer – A Message from the Principal



You will no doubt be aware that the Government has announced that public examinations for GCSE and A-Levels will not take place this summer. We appreciate that this is bitterly disappointing news for our pupils, teachers and parents.

#### Sixth Form Academic Scholarships 50% Fee Reduction Opportunity from September 2021



We would like to remind all parents of Year 11 pupils that, from September 2021, Queenswood is offering 50% reduction in day fees to successful candidates for the Sixth Form Academic Scholarship. This offer is open to all current Year 11 Queenswood pupils, as well as to external candidates resident in the UK. Click the hyperlink for further information.

## Remote Learning



As the nation enters a third lockdown, at Queenswood we are once more rolling out our highly successful remote learning provision for all year groups. Feedback from parents has been overwhelmingly positive.

## Boarders Got Talent'!



At the end of the Autumn Term, Queenswood's boarders took part in an online talent contest, wth festive-themed dances, songs and instrumental pieces. The girls have put together this video montage of the best performances.