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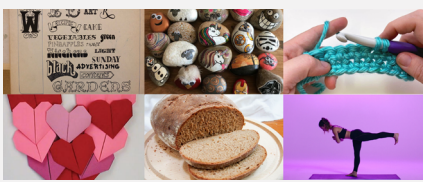
# Queenswood



Members of resident staff and their families had a fabulous Queenswood Winter Wonderland all to themselves earlier this week. [Click here](#) to view a gallery of their photos.

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Off-screen day: Tuesday 2 February

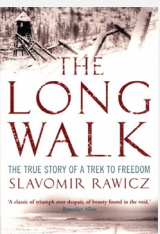


We recently held a survey for all parents about our remote learning. One of the most common requests is that we ensure there is more time off-screen. Therefore, we have decided to create a **full day of off-screen activities** on Tuesday, 2 February. Our staff are busily working up a menu of activities to keep all students busy, engaged, learning new skills and spending the day away from their screens.

Family fun: Make your own pizza

This weekend why not have some family fun making your own pizzas? **Mrs Lee shares her easy Pizza Toastie recipe**, which can be made using a variety of different bases.

This week I am reading...



Our contributor this week is **Mrs Vanessa Leigh**, Admissions and Marketing Assistant. She has chosen *The Long Walk* by Slavomir Rawicz.

'This is not a book I would usually choose, but finding it was one of those happy coincidences that occurs when you Google one thing and find another...It is a gripping and remarkable account of the worst and best of human nature.'

From the (virtual) classroom

**Year 7 Science: Intricate paper models of electricity power stations**

**Year 13 Psychology: Hannah V's introduction to schizophrenia**

**Year 11 Media Club: Lilly G's superb magazine cover design**

**Year 7 Maths: Fractions worksheets**

**Drama Design Club: Costume sketches**

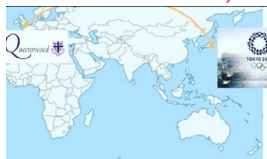
Welcome to the latest digest of news, events and blog posts from the website of Queenswood School. [Click on the pink hyperlinks to read more.](#)

## Lockdown Artwork and January's Artist of the Month



Queenswood artists of all ages have been busy expressing themselves during the current lockdown. Some have been inspired by the view from their window, others – including MC B – by the wildlife in their gardens. Marina E has been working on a project on the theme of food, while Andie O's brilliant homage to Bob Ross (pictured) earned her the accolade of Artist of the Month for January.

## The Race to Tokyo – Queenswood Pupils and Staff Aim to Cover 9,538km



All this week, Queenswood pupils, staff – and even some parents too – are clocking up the kilometres in a bid to cover the distance from Queenswood to Tokyo. We're trying to cycle, run and walk the 9,538km from Brookmans Park to Shinjuku-ku, the district of Tokyo that houses the Japan National Stadium.

## Share Your Tennis Skills and Tricks



Tennis scholars have been enjoying fitness sessions with their coaches over Zoom and have taken inspiration from the Australian Open players quarantining in Melbourne, to keep their workouts fun. Why not make your own tennis skills and tricks video this weekend and upload it to the website?

## Sixth Form Experience Day for Year 11 Pupils



Regular GCSE lessons were suspended for Year 11 on Friday 29 January, as they participated in a timetable of stimulating online taster sessions for the A-Level subjects offered at Queenswood. All the sessions were recorded, and will be available for pupils to watch again via a specially created Google Classroom.

## Big Garden Bird Watch 2021 and More Birds of Queenswood



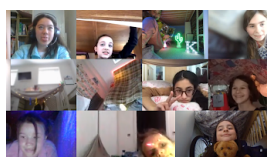
Click the hyperlink above for information about how you can take part in the world's biggest bird survey this week. You can choose any hour between 29 and 31 January to join the RSPB in their Big Garden Birdwatch 2021. Also, Miss Langdon brings us the third installment of her fascinating feature of the beautiful birds of Queenswood.

## The Week in Chapel: Learning from the Past



On Monday we heard from **Mrs Ludwick** (Assistant Head Boarding) on the theme of 'learning from the past'. She took as her inspiration the classic Baz Luhrmann video, 'Everybody's Free To Wear Sunscreen' (there's a link to watch this film at the end of the service). Wednesday was Holocaust Memorial Day, and **Rev'd Vindra** told the story of Blanche Benedict, who was helped to escape from Nazi-occupied Denmark to the safety of Sweden in 1943.

## Year 7 Lockdown Diaries – in Pictures



Since the start of term, Year 7 have been keeping their spirits up with a range of group activities in assemblies and tutorials, led by tutors and Miss Bassett (Head of Year 7). These have ranged from den building and fancy dress to promoting kindness and mindfulness.