

# NEWS FROM Queenswood



The Woods at Queenswood  
Photograph by Mrs Jayne Lee, Teacher of Practical Cookery

Thank you to everyone who has offered to contribute a 'Career Clip' to our online careers library. We're still accepting submissions; if you are able to help in any way, please [click here](#) for details.

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Introducing the 'Bravo! Board'



After asking our pupils if they would like to contribute their ideas for the newsletter, we are delighted to introduce [our new Bravo! Board](#). We plan to share short snippets of news about pupils' activities and achievements, both in and outside of school, on the Bravo! Board. And for every story we publish we'll be awarding House points.

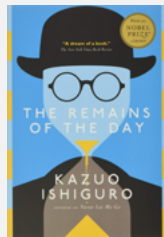
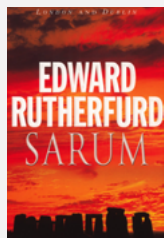
Weekend fun: Outside the Burrow!



After a long wait, we can now enjoy a socially distanced trip to the cinema this weekend and there are [some great film releases to see](#). We hope that you have a wonderful weekend and enjoy our big screen suggestions.

This week I am reading...

Our contributor this week is [Mr Chris Fox](#), Head of Sixth Form and teacher of Religious Studies. He has two books to recommend. *Sarum* by Edward Rutherfurd is 'an enormous novel, vast in scope...spanning the length of British history from the Ice Age right up to the year 1985. Kazuo Ishiguro's *The Remains of the Day* is 'very funny and simultaneously very moving...it's easy to see why it won the Booker Prize, and its author the Nobel Prize for Literature.'



News in brief

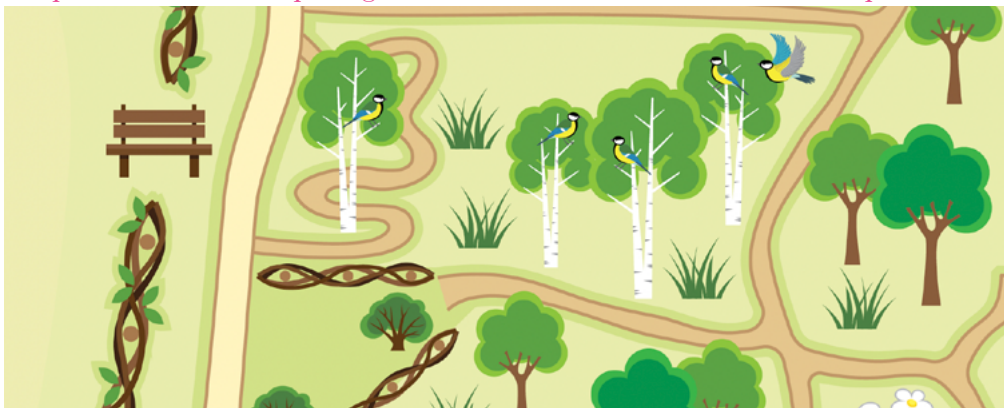


Year 9 Japanese: Shop window displays in three alphabets!

Sports Scholar Sofia M called up to U16 England Hockey squad

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.

Help Us Fund a 'Whispering Wood' for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice



As you may know, Queenswood has been supporting Noah's Ark Children's Hospice in Barnet for several years, and we have developed a great relationship with the charity. They are currently hoping to raise funds for a 1.2km sensory trail around their 7.5 acre nature reserve next to the Ark. As a key supporter, we have been given the opportunity to feature the name of 'Queenswood' in one of the 14 areas that make up the trail. We have pledged to raise £10,000 from our school community to sponsor the Whispering Wood.

Sporting Fixtures Go Live!



After months of training and virtual sport, we are delighted to see Q pupils back in real competition. The U15 Tennis Team started with an impressive win over Berkhamsted, the U15 and U13 Cricket Teams were in action this week and the U13 Footballers competed in the ISFA South Central Regional Finals. **Please note: pupils travelling to offsite fixtures must have a face mask in school for use on school transport to the fixture.**

The Sixth Form Reimagined: There's Still Time to Give



We are enormously grateful to the many members of the Queenswood community who have donated to our Sixth Form Reimagined campaign, and we're delighted to confirm that work will commence in July. If you're inspired by what you see, the good news is that it's not too late to [make a contribution](#)!

The Week in Chapel: Women in Literature



On Monday, Mr Daughton explored the notion of 'the self' in literature, with special focus on Roald Dahl's *Matilda*. On Wednesday, Mrs Ludwick introduced us to several eminent French authors of the twentieth century, most notably the remarkable and tragic Irène Némirovsky. The link takes you to Monday's service, with a link to click through to Wednesday's talk at the end of the video.

Queenswood Down the Decades: the 1971 *Queenswoodian* Magazine



We are delighted that you are enjoying our reminiscences of life at Q in years gone by in our Down the Decades articles. This week we travel back to 1971 as Miss Essame, Headmistress at Queenswood since 1944 retires. Extracts include photographs spanning Miss Essame's time at Q, closing remarks of her Commemoration Day address where she shares the exciting news of the School's first computer terminal, and some adverts which might make you smile!

Year 7's Earth Day Pledges



Inspired by Earth Day 2021, which took place on 22 April, our Year 7 Kindness Ambassadors have been leading a project to consider the commitments that can be made to help protect our environment. Pupils have made brilliantly entertaining and informative videos in tutorials, and as a year group they have agreed on three important pledges.

National Walking Month: An Urban Ramble With Miss Greensmith



May is National Walking Month and with the evenings now staying lighter, it's a great time to enjoy the benefits of a brisk walk or a leisurely stroll. Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, have some useful suggestions and resources on their website. Meanwhile, Miss Victoria Greensmith, Maths Teacher and Head of Year 11, shares her favourite North London walk with us.