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We would like to congratulate all our Year 11 and Year 13 pupils on completing their assessments, and wish all our readers a happy and healthy half-term holiday.

# News and information from www.queenswood.org



Click here to find out about some of our pupils' most notable achievements and accolades from the last seven days. Pupils can email Mrs Leigh with their suggestions for contributions to the Bravo! Board - there are Housepoints available for every item we feature.



After a busy half-term we are all ready for some holiday relaxation, so why not plan a fun day out in the capital? Here are some suggestions of places you may wish to visit in London next week.



With the half-term break upon us, we have swapped our weekly feature 'This Week I Am Reading...' for Mrs Truran's compilation of recommended reads for each year group. We hope that you have a fun and restful break and find time to enjoy a good book at some point during the holiday.



Clapham North: order your hoodies and help raise money for Crisis and Potters Bar Food Bank

Parents: send us your video clips for our online Careers Video Library

OQ Lucinda Hostombe-Shooter's 'Hostie Hats' are perfect for Ascot!

OQ Hannah Watter's stunning artwork on display at The Glass House, Fulham

OQ Karen Hearn to deliver Chancellor's Lecture at University of Hertfordshire

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.

## Books2All: Help Us to Share the Gift of Reading



Did you know that 1 in 8 schools in the UK doesn't even have a library? Or that 20% of pupils leave primary school behind in their reading ability? **Books2All** is a new UK registered charity (#1191793) aiming to reduce educational inequality through an app that matches donors of books with the schools that need them most. Its vision is a world where every child finds the books that can help them reach their true potential. It's run entirely by volunteers, one of whom is the father of a Year 7 girl here at Q. When he recently got in touch with us, we were of course more than happy to see how we could help...

## Head Girl's Team and Senior Prefects Announced



The exhaustive selection process is at an end, and we are delighted to announce the names of the twelve Sixth Formers who will lead the student body next academic year. In Chapel on Monday, the eight candidates who had put themselves forward for the position of Head Girl delivered eloquent and impassioned speeches, which were live-streamed to all staff and pupils.

# Paperback Writers: Academic Scholars' Journal Published



The winners of the first Academic Scholars Essay Competition were delighted to receive their copies of From Virgil to Voyager: Essays on Heroism, Poetry, Identity and Extraterrestrial Life this week. The book is a collection of their writing on a range of topics explored in their seminar sessions earlier this year.

# Enrichment Week Activity Programmes: 21–25 June 2021



After a difficult year of restrictions, Queenswood pupils will be celebrating the return of greater freedoms with a week of exciting and enriching trips and on-site activities, beginning on Monday 21 June. There are also a number of special events planned for Year 11 to mark the official end of the assessment period, and for Year 13, for whom this will be the last full week of their Queenswood career.

# The Sixth Form Reimagined



We continue to receive very generous donations to our campaign to redevelop our Sixth Form Centre, and we'd like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude. If you would like to make a contribution, please click on the

# The Week in Chapel: Celebrating Difference



'Being different is hard. Being different requires bravery. But it is worth it.' In Chapel on Wednesday, Mrs Moore-Bridger, (Classics and Deputy Head of Sixth Form) gave a powerful talk on the importance of celebrating uniqueness, with examples ranging from the Ancient Greek poet Sappho to the model Winnie Harlow.

# Hertfordshire Festival of Music: Extra Tickets Released for Chloë Hanslip Recitals



As you are probably aware, internationally renowned violinist Chloë Hanslip will be giving two recitals in the Chapel on the evening of Thursday 10 June. Numbers are limited due to social distancing restrictions, but we are pleased to announce that extra seats have been made available in the balcony. Click the link above to book.

# Queenswood Down the Decades: the 1981 Queenswoodian Magazine



Travelling 'Down the Decades' we have now reached 1981. As Prince Charlies married Lady Diana Spencer, Brideshead Revisited hit our television screens and John McEnroe launched his tirade of 'You cannot be serious!', Queenswood said goodbye to Miss Ritchie after 10 years as Headmistress.