



# Reminder: Open Morning Saturday 4 March 2023

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### Friday 3 March 2023

Q Revue: Tickets on sale



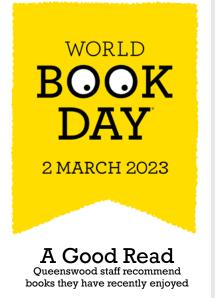
Click here to get your tickets for Q Revue, an extravaganza of choreography and musical theatre. Tuesday 21 – Thursday 23 March at 7.30pm in the Clarissa Farr Theatre.

Weekend fun: Mamma Mia Moussaka



Hartley's Mamma Mia themed House Supper on Thursday, left us all wanting some more Greek party fun, so why not host your own Mamma Mia bash this weekend? You can find some fun party suggestions here and Ms George, Head of International Admissions at Queenswood, has shared the following delicious Greek recipes that she likes to cook at home!

This week I am reading..



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.

#### GCSE Drama: Amélie - Highly Creative Adaptation of a Modern Movie Classic



GCSE Drama students staged a highly inventive and thoroughly heartwarming adaptation of the classic French movie *Amélie* on Monday 27 February. Four groups of multi-rôleing performers took it in turns to tell the whimsical story of the young Parisienne dreamer who resolves to commit random and anonymous acts of kindness.

### Business and Computing Live! Three Days in Disneyland Paris



*Amelia E (Year 12) writes*: Earlier this week some of the Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 Computer Science and Business Studies students attended the Computing and Business Live conferences in Disneyland Paris. We had three very interesting speakers talk to us about their work relating to Computer Science...*(click the hyperlink to read more)* 

#### Q Netballers Qualify for Two National Finals in a Week!



Queenswood's Netballers are celebrating two fantastic achievements within the space of five days, as both U14 and U12A teams qualified for the final of the SistersnSport National Shield. We are extremely proud of these fantastic achievements, and we're keeping everything crossed for the weekend of 21-22 March.

#### Hartley's Dancing Queens Enjoy Mamma Mia! House Supper



Hartley House showed they really are Queenswood's Dancing Queens on Thursday evening when they enjoyed a fabulous *Mamma Mia!* themed House Supper. Our Super Troupers from Years 7 to 13 came dressed in a variety of stunning outfits inspired by the film franchise, and Hartley's staff members also joined in with the ABBA antics.

#### Year 8 Artists: An Immersive Cultural Day in London



Year 8 artists spent an enriching day in London this week, sketching architectural forms and capturing the bustling atmosphere of King's Cross, before visiting the amazing immersive David Hockney exhibition 'Bigger and Closer' at the new Lightroom gallery.

### Three Queenswood Runners-Up Prizes at Welwyn Hatfield Youth Awards



Queenswood pupils picked up three runners-up prizes for sporting and artistic achievement at the Welwyn Hatfield Youth Awards on Tuesday 2 March. The U13 and U15 tennis teams were nominated in the Young Sportsperson category, while dancer Teagan M (Year 9) was nominated for both Young Sportsperson and Young Artist.

#### Chapel Highlights: Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

As part of our World Book Day 2023 celebrations and to demonstrate to the students how much their teachers love reading too, Mrs Truran has collated this delightful digital booklet entitled *A Good Read*. In it she shares the books that some of Queenswood's teachers and support staff have really enjoyed and would recommend to others. There is also a board in the Library displaying these fantastic book suggestions.

#### In brief

Take a look at the latest posts from the QueenswoodDesign Instagram feed

Music in Chapel: extracts from some delightful performances this week

Queenswood readers shine in Reading Champions Quiz

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On Monday in Chapel, we sang the hymn Make Me a Channel of Your Peace, and received a talk from Mr. Fox about the life of Oskar Schindler. We were reminded that although people may be flawed in many ways, they can still be 'upstanders'. On Wednesday Mr Turner led Chapel with props, including his bicycle helmet, and his failed attempts at pottery and weaving.

#### Three Queenswood Writers Published in Poetry Anthology



Many congratulations to Nayia D (Year 7 left), Issy N (Year 9) and Ela B (Year 12), who have all had their poetry published in the latest Young Writers anthology, titled *The Power of Poetry: Electrifying Verse.* They attend weekly creative writing sessions with Miss Culora (English Department).

#### Artist of the Month: Charlotte's Perfect Pancake Painting



Art Scholar Charlotte P (Year 11) was named Artist of the Month for December 2022. Her ingenious, highly realistic image of a pancake breakfast was painted directly onto an ornate wooden tray, complete with gold decoration and 3D blobs of 'whipped cream'.

#### What Matters in Pride and Prejudice? Professor John Mullan at Queenswood



On Wednesday 1 March Queenswood's GCSE and A-Level English Literature students were privileged to attend an enthralling talk on Pride and Prejudice by one of the world's leading Jane Austen scholars, Professor John Mullan of University College London. He examined how Austen conveys character through dialogue, and offered fascinating insights into the customs of the time.

### The John Fry Public Speaking Competition 2023



BREAKING NEWS: Congratulations to Emily H (Year 11), the winner of the John Fry Public Speaking Competition 2023. We were delighted to welcome Bim Afolami, MP for Hitchin and Harpenden, as our guest adjudicator on Friday 3 March. We will have a full report in due course – please check the hyperlink above for updates.