

The Queenswood Ball Saturday 24 June 2023

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Friday 17 March 2023

O Revue: Tickets selling fast



Over 100 pupils will be performing in our dance extravaganza over three nights next week Tickets are selling fast – click here to book yours and avoid disappointement!

Weekend fun: Dopplle Swap Shor



Saturday is Global Recycling Day and a chance for us all to consider how we can reduce our waste and protect the environment. This weekend, why not pop along to Dopplle's clothing Swap Shop and exchange your pre-loved clothes for some new fun fashion.

#### This week I am reading..



Stand Up by Nikesh Shukla

Madhu is 17 and has the weight of the world on her shoulders: her dad is putting pressure on her to apply to university, she

misses her estranged sister but contact is strictly forbidden, and she's pulling in every single shift possible at a pizza place to help support her family. What she really wants is to be a world-famous stand-up comedian, but the road to comedy glory is not always a barrel of laughs...

A funny and poignant comedy about finding your voice from the author of *The Good Immigrant*.

#### In brief

Camp Beaumont: 10% discount code QUEENS23 for Q pupils and staff

OQs vs 1st XI Hockey: Victory for the alumnae!

Bethany N is Clay Pigeon Shooting Association's 'Young Shot of the Year'

Year 10 Spanish: El Día Internacional de la Mujer

Annabelle R (Year 8): Second prize in prestigious London music competition

Slainte! Celebrating St Patrick's Day with a delicious feast

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.

#### Queenswood Musician of the Year 2023



We enjoyed a fantastic night of music-making in the Ernest Read Hall on Thursday 16 March as over 20 finalists competed for the title of Queenswood Musician of the Year 2023. This year, the competition was split into two categories, with prizes for singers and instrumentalists. More than 70 pupils had entered the preliminary rounds – a Queenswood record – and 21 were selected to perform in the Finalists Concert.

#### Queenswood Staff and Pupils Visit Noah's Ark Children's Hospice



Charity Prefect Ella T, Sixth Former Grace P, Revd Vindra and Miss Bassett visited the Noah's Ark Children's Hospice in Barnet last week. As well as seeing the hospice's remarkable facilities, the staff and pupils were able to explore the *Queenswood Whispering Wood* and present the hospice with a cheque from our latest fundraising endeavours.

#### Say Cheese: The Sun Comes Out for Q's Whole School Photograph!



The whole School gathered on Trew Lawn on Wednesday 15 March, in unexpectedly fine weather, for our first group photograph in almost four years. Spirits were high and, as pupils and staff assembled on the staging, the Senior Prefects led an impromptu singalong! Thanks to the very efficient photography team from Gillman and Soame.

#### Pi Day: Maths Puzzles to Celebrate March 14



For mathematicians across the world, last Tuesday – March 14 or, as it's written in the US dating system, 3.14 – was Pi Day, and pupils and teachers marked the occasion with all manner of number-based activities. Every Maths class at Queenswood was given a range of challenges to tackle in lessons.

# Artist of the Month: Greisi B's Wintry Landscape



Greisi B (Year 8) was named Artist of the Month for January 2023. Her beautiful, bold winter landscape is one of several artworks currently on display in Mrs Cameron's office.

#### Eco-Committee Announces New Initiatives



Izzie E (Year 13), Green Q Prefect writes:

Hi everyone! The Eco Committee here, to give you all an update on our plans. Thank you so much for everyone's involvement in the recent Google Form to select which animal we are going to adopt as a

## School Council: An Update From Senior Prefect Sophia M



My name is Sophia and I'm the School Council Prefect. Once every couple of weeks, students from all year groups come together over lunch to discuss issues that pupils have with the school. I'm writing to let you know about what we have got up to this academic year.

### Chapel Highlights: Head Girls' Pitches and the Queenswood Culture Society



On Monday, five Year 12 students gave impressively confident and compelling speeches outlining why they hope to be selected as next year's Head Girl. On Wednesday, we learned about Queenswood's new Culture Society and continuing with our theme of being an upstander, heard the tale of the teacher and the fish in the jar.

### Year 12 Attend the UCAS Discovery Tour in Brighton



On Tuesday this week, the Lower Sixth year group went to the Brighton Conference Centre to attend the annual UCAS Discovery tour. Over 100 universities and colleges were exhibiting (including most of the Russell Group, Oxbridge and key Arts colleges). Throughout the day, seminars and talks were given including subject talks, how to make applications stand out, and student finance.