

Congratulations to everyone who took part in Sports Day – every one of you is a winner! We'll bring you a full report in next week's issue.

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Faculty of Art, DT and Food Exhibition



The Faculty of Art, DT and Food are staging an exhibition of pupils' work in the Pauline Edgar Library during the last weeks of term. Here's a sneak preview of what's on display.

Whole School Photograph



Please click here to view and purchase the whole school photograph that was taken in March 2023.

Weekend fun: Colour Fun Rui



Why not round off a great week with even more fun and get seriously messy this weekend! Join the Peace Hospice Colour Fun Run at Aldenham Country Park on Sunday to raise vital funds for the charity whilst getting blasted in coloured powder and foam!

This week I am reading..

Awesomely Austen: Sense and Sensibility retold by Joanna Nadin



When Elinor and Marianne Dashwood's father dies, they are forced to leave their home behind and move far away to a tiny cottage.

Their lives look set to change for ever, in ways neither had expected. The sisters will need each other's support if they are to find happiness, but will they ever find the right balance of sense and sensibility? This fresh, funny and accessible retelling of Austen's beloved novel will delight our younger students in Years 7 and 8.

In brief

Lego Club Reminder: a message from Mrs Looker

Brand new House flags unfurled at Sports Day

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.

Enrichment Week: Some Video Highlights



What an incredibly busy, varied week it's been for our pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12. After the tensions of exam week, they had the opportunity to let off some steam and express themselves in all manner of creative ways. You can find details of the activities for each year group below.

Year 7 Enrichment: Norman Conquest, STEM Challenge and Chariot Racing



Year 7 threw themselves wholeheartedly into their first Enrichment Week at Q, taking part in an exciting programme of events including staging their own Norman Conquest, bath bomb making and racing their own chariots. They also visited the Pitt Rivers Museum and met renowned authors Jonathan Stroud and Penny Joelson.

Year 8 Enrichment: Exploring Cultures Through Languages



Enrichment Week was a chance for Year 8 to immerse themselves in other cultures. For those pupils based here at Queenswood, there were sessions devoted to French and Japanese culture, with craft activities such as Coco Chanel-inspired bin-bag couture, origami and calligraphy.

Year 8 Trip to Cantabria: Fiestas, Flamenco and Fine Art in Northern Spain



54 of the Year 8 cohort at Queenswood embarked on a cultural exploration of Cantabria for three days during Enrichment Week, with activities ranging from a flamenco workshop, to museum trips and even sightings of elephants and giraffes!

Year 9 Enrichment: Upskilling for GCSEs, Dance, Yoga and Cracking the Code



It's been an absorbing week of enrichment activities for Year 9. With opportunities to learn new skills in preparation for Year 10, dance and yoga workshops to encourage creativity and mindfulness and a trip to Bletchley Park to discover the incredible achievements of Britain's World War Two codebreakers, Year 9 have been busy!

Year 10 Enrichment: Sixth Form Experience, Dance Workshops and GoApe



Year 10 have spent Enrichment Week getting a taste for Sixth Form life, exploring career options, learning about self-empowerment and unlocking their potential. They've also been scrambling through tree tops, dancing with West End stars and mastering stage combat techniques.

Year 12 Enrichment: Futures, Finance, Freud...and Foxtrots



Year 12 students enjoyed a wide range of activities during Enrichment Week, with a focus on life skills for university and beyond. They visited the Freud Museum in Hampstead, learned self-defence skills, attended sessions focused on finance and cookery, and even got to try out ballroom dancing!

LAMDA Speech and Drama: They've Done it Again!



Mrs Butlin, Mrs Finn and Mrs Goodman are thrilled with the latest set of LAMDA results. Of the 39 pupils who took exams in Speaking Verse and Prose, Speaking in Public and Acting, 31 were awarded Distinctions and eight achieved Merits.

'Serenity Socks' Propel Year 12 Entrepreneurs up the Tycoon Leaderboard



Year 12 Business students have been busy creating business plans and ideas for the Tycoon in Schools competition. Since the Spring Term, they have been conducting market research on products they could sell within school. They decided to sell tie-dye socks in aid of the mental health charity Young Minds, and are currently 5th on the national Tycoon leaderboard!

School Council Report Form

Pupils can use **this form** (anonymously if they prefer) to share any issues or praise with members of the School Council.

Listen out for Queenswood's radio advert, broadcast on Heart FM throughout South Hertfordshire from next week!