

NEWS FROM Queenswood



Reminder:

Open Morning
Saturday 23 September

Pupils are required in school from 8.40am to 12.00pm. Many thanks for your co-operation.

News and information from www.queenswood.org Friday 22 September 2023

Tuesday 3 October: *Into the Sixth Form*



If you are the parent of a pupil in Year 10 or 11, please be reminded of Mr Fox's invitation to our upcoming *Into the Sixth Form* event. Refreshments will be served from 5.00pm, with talks starting at 5.30pm. Please register your family's attendance [here](#).

Weekend fun: cosy autumn cooking



Summer has meandered into autumn and the mornings at Q feel decidedly crisper and full of the promise of a glorious season ahead. This weekend you might like to embrace the changing weather and try cooking these [cosy autumn recipes](#).

This week I am reading...

Leila and the Blue Fox
by Kiran Millwood Hargrave



She lay down, her soft head on her soft paws. The sunset licked her face. The snow covered her like a blanket.

Fox wakes, and begins to walk. She crosses ice and snow, over mountains and across frozen oceans, encountering bears and birds beneath the endless daylight of an Arctic summer, navigating a world that is vast, wild and wondrous. Meanwhile, Leila embarks on a journey of her own – finding her way to the mother who left her. Based on the true story of an Arctic fox who walked from Norway to Canada, this is a compelling story for our younger students.

In brief

AI: Who's Looking After Me? Free exhibition at King's College London

A warm welcome for Revd Kate from the Methodist and Anglican churches

Save the date: Christmas Carol Service at St Albans Abbey
Friday 8 December | 2.00pm

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.

Year 13 Biologists Get Up Close and Personal With Nature



Earlier this week, Year 13 Biologists spent an enjoyable and productive few days on a field trip to Juniper Hall in Surrey. They took samples of grassland, and captured voles before studying them and releasing them back into the wild. They also engaged in mark release recapture of pond snails.

Spotlight on Senior Prefects: Introducing Lizzie and Sophie, Deputy Head Girls



'My advice would be to step out of your comfort zone and try out as many new things as possible.' Continuing our spotlight on this year's Senior Prefects, read interviews by Sienna M and Scarlett E (Year 13) with Lizzie J and Sophie A, your Deputy Head Girls for the 2023-24 academic year.

Year 7 Science Club: Rainbow Towers Investigation



The Year 7 Science Club had great fun this week investigating density by making rainbow towers. Teacher of Science, Ms Sheikh, explains the investigation and provides a guide for other students who might like to try this at home. Please take care and ask permission before making a mess!

Cecchetti Ballet Associates Scheme: Success for Year 9 Pupil Estella



We send our congratulations to Principal's Award Holder for Dance, Estella B (9N), who has successfully auditioned for Cecchetti Ballet Associates and is now in the Senior Associate Class. Estella also performed with the English Youth Ballet over the summer, in their production of Cinderella in Hollywood. Well done!

Lego Club: A Message from Mrs Looker



Mrs Looker sends her very grateful thanks for all of the Lego you have donated so far to Queenswood's new Lego club. The club is proving to be hugely popular with students and any Lego you would like to contribute will be thankfully received. We will bring you a full report from the club in due course. Everybody's awesome!

A-Level Artists at the Tate Galleries



'On Monday 11 September, our Sixth Form Textiles, Fine Art, Photography and 3D Design students went on a trip to Tate Britain and Tate Modern galleries by boat. We started out at Tate Britain, which showcased Pre-Raphaelite artwork primarily by the Rossetti family, and we were lucky enough to see artwork by Dante Rossetti and read and hear poetry by Christina Rossetti...'

Supremely Technical Projects Earn A-Level Computer Scientists Top Grades



Abby S and Sophia M (OQs, 2023) developed highly sophisticated programs for their A*-grade A-Level Computer Science projects this year. Both students demonstrated substantial technical skill with a range of technologies whilst following a system life cycle project plan through analysis, design, implementation, testing and evaluation.

Winning Starts for Hockey and Netball Teams



Congratulations to our U13 and U15 Hockey teams, who have both begun their ISHC competition run in impressive style, and to the U15A Netball team, who fought their way to victory in Round 1 of the ISNC. Click [here](#) to read posts from the QueenswoodSport Instagram feed.

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.