

# NEWS FROM Queenswood



The deadline to purchase tickets for the Queenswood Ball is Friday 3 May. Click [here](#) to place your order.

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Friday 26 April 2024

Year 11 Drama: *Amélie*



On Thursday 9 May, Senior Drama Scholars and Award Holders will stage Mike Leigh's classic comedy about a disastrous suburban drinks party. Click [here](#) for tickets.

Weekend fun: Performance Festival



Celebrating 100 years of the Theatre and Performance collection, this year's **Performance Festival** at the V&A South Kensington explores the theme 'remastered'. From making anew, to remixing the past and inspiring the future, there is plenty to experience across the museum this weekend. For students interested in costume design, the festival includes an online careers talk you can join from home.

This week I am reading...

*The Reappearance of Rachel Price*  
by Holly Jackson



18-year-old Bel has lived her whole life in the shadow of her mom's mysterious disappearance. Sixteen years ago, Rachel Price vanished and young Bel was the only witness. Rachel is gone, presumed dead. The case is dragged up from the past when the Price family agree to a true crime documentary. Bel can't wait for filming to end, for life to go back to normal. But then Rachel Price reappears, and life will never be normal again ... From the bestselling author of *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*, this gripping YA thriller is also available on Audible.

In brief

Queenswood Choral Competition in association with the Hertfordshire Festival of Music

Hertfordshire Festival of Ideas: sign up for inspirational free events at the 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.

## French Trip to La Côte d'Opale



16 pupils from Years 8 and 9 travelled to the delightful Opal Coast region of Normandy at the end of the Spring Term. They sampled the local culinary and cultural delights, and had plenty of opportunities to practise their spoken French. Highlights included a morning spent at La Halte d'Autrefois goat farm and a memorable visit to Nausicaá, Europe's largest aquarium.

## Snow Much Fun on the Slopes of Valloire



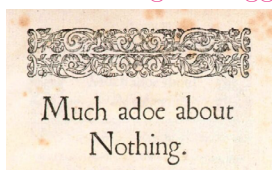
During the Easter holidays, over 40 Queenswood pupils spent a week on the pristine slopes of Valloire, at the foot of the famous Col du Galibier and Col du Télégraphe. Skiers of all abilities made the most of the superb conditions, as well as enjoying the entertainment and hospitality facilities in the village of Valloire and the charming Joie de Vivre hotel.

## Pupil Voice: Food Committee – You, Said, We Did!



Once again, the Catering Department have responded to the latest comments and suggestions from pupils about the food at breakfast, break, lunch and supper.

## Year 11 English: Eggs-emplary Easter Work



Congratulations to all Year 11 English students who engaged with the recent Easter Egg assignments. The English Department set nine 30-minute revision tasks, which appeared every few days through the Easter holidays, on a dedicated Google Classroom. These covered all the set texts and all the areas of English language.

## Newsletter Club: Reading Suggestions from Leah G and Eva M



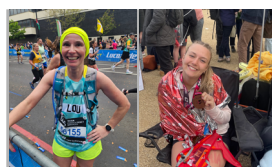
Year 7 Newsletter Club reporters Leah G and Eva M, have been busy reading the books they were gifted when they joined the club back in September. Along with a short precis of each book, Leah and Eva share what they enjoyed about their chosen reads: *The Secret in Vault 13* by David Solomons and *The Bone Sparrow* by Zana Fraillon.

## Home Clothes Day: Wear Something Red for Autism Acceptance Month



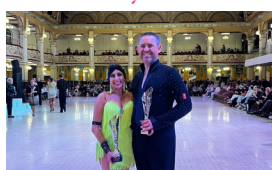
On Monday, Queenswood will be hosting a 'Wear Red' Home Clothes Day in celebration of Autism Acceptance Month. Pupils are asked to donate £2 each - in cash - to wear appropriate home clothes which feature the colour red – the more red the better! Donations should be given to tutors during Monday's registration period.

## London 2024: Dr Vincini and Mia M's Magnificent Marathons!



We are thrilled to report that Dr Vincini, Head of Biology at Queenswood, and Year 13 student Mia M, were both victorious last Sunday, smashing the 44th TCS London Marathon and raising vital funds for their chosen charities. Click the pink hyperlink to read more about their fantastic endeavours and show your support by donating.

## It's Strictly Success for Mr Paine at the IDTA Ballroom and Latin National Finals



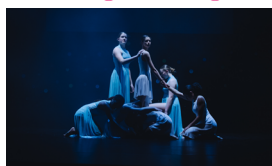
Over the Easter holidays, Mr Paine and his dance partner, Natasha Mistri, enjoyed fantastic success at the IDTA Ballroom and Latin National Finals at the Empress Ballroom in the Winter Gardens, Blackpool. He secured a 7th place finish in the Ballroom competition and made it to the grand final in the Latin! Congratulations Mr Paine!

## Summer Term Co-curricular Programme: Price List for Paid Activities



The **Co-curricular programme** for the Summer Term is off to a flying start and our students are immersing themselves in the plethora of opportunities available to them. For those few activities that do incur an extra charge, please find a price list [here](#).

## Dancing Through Time: Videos and Photographs Now Available



You can now watch videos of all performances from last term's thrilling Dancing Through Time show, as well as accessing a full gallery of stunning photographs taken by Case Eames Photography.

## PUPIL VOICE: 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.