

NEWS FROM Queenswood



BALL 2025

The deadline for purchasing tickets for our sensational Summertime Ball is fast approaching – click [here](#) to book yours asap!

News and information from www.queenswood.org

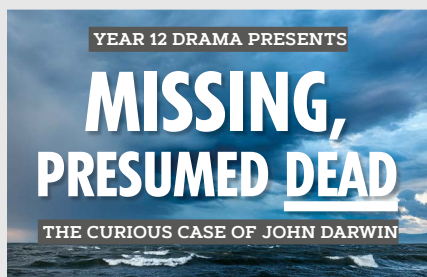
Friday 16 May 2025

Coming soon: Online Safety Talk



The Breck Foundation is a charity with national relevance and impact, founded in 2014 in response to the tragic loss of Breck Bednar. They will be giving a talk on Online Safety for parents and staff in the Clarissa Farr Theatre at 5pm on Thursday 26 June. Click [here](#) if you would like to attend.

Year 12 Drama: *Missing, Presumed Dead*



Death, fraud and canoes: John Darwin's mind-blowing insurance scam is laid bare in a devised play by our Year 12 drama students.

Monday 19 May, 4.45pm in the Clarissa Farr Theatre. Click [here](#) for tickets.

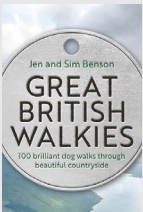
Weekend fun: Eurovision 2025!



Lauren Byrne, Holly-Anne Hull, and Charlotte Steele are the talented trio behind Remember Monday, the UK's entry for Eurovision 2025 - and they need your support! So this weekend, why not join in the fun and throw a [Eurovision party](#). We have compiled some great party tips for you, and you can watch the contest live on BBCOne.

This week I am reading...

Great British Walkies
by Jen and Sim Benson



Don't just take your dog for a walk. Take your dog for one of Britain's 100 best dog walks! These country routes are custom-made for you and your four-legged friend.

Ranging from 2 to 6 miles, they cover the whole of the UK and take in some of our most beautiful woods, coast, rolling hills and fields, not to mention fascinating and inspiring historic sites. Supported by the National Trust, with their 'pawprint rating' system for dog-friendly places, this book is a must for your summer walkies!

In brief

Music: violinist Annabelle R gains Grade 6 Distinction

Ballet: Tana S-B performs at the Royal Ballet School

Football and gymnastics: gold medals for sisters Livvy and Milla

Tennis: superb win at U16 level for Year 7 Scholar Layla

Hockey: Georgia is Harpenden's U12 player of the year

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.

Virtuosi Concert: A Showcase of Queenswood's Musical Talent



We're delighted to share a full recording of the Virtuosi Concert, which took place on Tuesday 13 May in the Ernest Read Hall. As ever, the programme was extremely varied, with pieces from the classical canon by Mussorgsky, Bach and Debussy alongside performances of songs by Adele and Howard Menken.

Year 13 Leavers' Service: An Emotional Farewell



Year 13 marked the beginning of study leave on Friday 9 May with an extremely moving Leavers' Service in Chapel. Mrs Cameron gave an inspirational address about their futures as Old Queenswoodians, and Reverend Kate reflected on the words of Head Girl Lisa O's Bible reading from Ecclesiastes, 'To every thing there is a season...'

Miss Tyler Invited to Buckingham Palace Garden Party



We are incredibly proud to share that Miss Janet Tyler, Higher Level Teaching Assistant at Queenswood, received a prestigious invitation to attend a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace this week. The invitation was extended in recognition of her role as a trustee for two remarkable charities: Silver Stories and Operation Encompass.

This Week in Chapel: Miracles Not Magic



This week in Assembly, we enjoyed an uplifting performance from The Quire. In our Act of Worship, Didi O-S (12S) read a powerful passage from the Book of Acts, telling of Peter raising Tabitha from the dead. Reverend Kate reflected on this miracle, linking it to Pope Leo XIV's words and reminding us that faith, not magic, is the true source of restoration.

Junior Academic Scholars: Previewing the Super Curriculum



The Junior Academic Scholars have been exploring Queenswood's soon-to-launched Super Curriculum, a programme designed to enrich students' learning beyond the classroom. The scholars were excited by the opportunities to challenge themselves, develop their skills, and inspire personal growth across all key stages.

Senior Academic Scholars: The Evolution of Women's Football



On Friday 9 May, the Senior Academic Scholars listened to Kirat G (Year 12) present about the evolution of women's football, inspired by her enjoyment of watching the games. It was particularly interesting to hear about the ban of professional teams in 1921 as well as how it was a big part of women's lives during WW2.

Support Miss Tallentire in Pretty Muddy Cancer Research Fundraiser



'This July, my netball club and I will be participating in the Pretty Muddy event to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. This cause is particularly meaningful to me, as the charity has provided invaluable support to my family during a challenging time. Every donation, no matter the size, contributes to groundbreaking research.'

Blossoms Rise in Colours Bright: The Beauty of Late Spring at Q



Tuesday was far too glorious a day to stay indoors, so the Newsletter Club headed outside, and captured some stunning photographs we're excited to share with you. They took inspiration from two beautifully crafted and evocative poems written by Maya L (8N) and Rebekah W (9N). You can read their poems and see the photos by clicking the link.

Careers News

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Mrs King writes: Click [here](#) to read this week's Careers Newsletter. Content this week includes some great opportunities for work experience with the Civil Aviation Authority, JD Sports and Tik Tok. Also this week, Year 10 have been amazing at preparing for their careers guidance meetings which have been insightful, encouraging, and inspirational for me to be part of. Getting to hear all the students' aspirations and hopes for the future is a real privilege – so thank you and very well done, Year 10. Thank you also to all the teaching and support staff helping to make these meetings happen.

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.

