



We are looking forward to welcoming families and friends to Speech Day on Saturday 5 July. A reminder that attendance is compulsory for all pupils

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# Friday 27 June 2025

#### Summer Concert: Tuesday 1 July



Join us on Trew Lawn at 7pm on Tuesday 1 July for our final music concert of the year. Bring a picnic and picnic blanket or chair and enjoy the sounds of the summer. Click here for more information.

#### Art and DT Showcase: Friday 4 July



We are delighted to invite the families and friends of all pupils studying art and design based subjects in Year 9 and above to the Art and DT Showcase Private View in the Library on Friday 4 July from 4.30pm. RSVP here.

#### This week I am reading..

#### You Don't Know What War Is by Yeva Skalietska



Yeva captured the nation's heart when she was featured on Channel 4 News with her granny as they fled Ukraine for Dublin. In You Don't Know What War Is, Yeva

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# 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.

#### Introducing the Super Curriculum



Academic staff have been busy putting together an exciting programme of suggested activities for pupils of all ages seeking to stretch themselves intellectually. It is an indisputable fact that university admissions tutors and future employers look for more than just excellent academic results to differentiate between prospective candidates. We hope that every student in the school will engage with our Super Curriculum, and the long summer break is the perfect time to get started! Click on the link above to watch Mr Daughton's explanatory video and access the programme for your age group.

# Oh What a Night! The Queenswood Summertime Ball 2025



This year's Summertime Ball, held on Saturday 21 June in the idyllic setting of Trew Lawn, was an absolute triumph. Thank you so much to Steff Hall and her incomparable Catering Team for organising the event so meticulously, and to the Queenswood Parents' Association whose generosity made the event possible.

# Enrichment Week 2025: Unforgettable Experiences



Enrichment Week 2025 was one of our busiest ever, as lessons were suspended for a packed programme of activities both in and out of school. From medieval warfare to high ropes at Alexandra Palace, from bouldering to touring the WW1 battlefields of Belgium, there was something stimulating for absolutely everyone.

#### Chapel News: An Update from Charity Prefect Eleanor and Embracing Self-Love



This week in Chapel, we celebrated the power of giving and the importance of self-love. Eleanor J reflected on the school's outstanding charitable efforts and shared her hopes for even greater impact next year. Reverend Kate explored how loving ourselves as God loves us can transform both our lives and the world.

# Beach Clean Up Day at Kingsgate Bay: A Report from Miss Yaffe



As part of Enrichment Week, Year 12 students spent their Community Action Day at Kingsgate Bay beach, working with the Marine Conservation Society. Through a beach clean and survey, they collected and analysed coastal waste, contributing valuable data while learning about marine pollution.

#### Mr Lovell's Parental Seminar on Generative AI in Education



Click on the link to watch the fascinating and extremely timely online seminar by Mr Lovell, Assistant Head, Digital Learning, on AI and the future of education. AI is already having profound effects on the way teachers teach and students learn, and it is vital that parents understand the advantages and pitfalls of this new technology.

hour as she seeks safety and travels from Kharkiv to Dublin. Each eye-opening diary entry is supplemented by personal photographs, excerpts of messages between Yeva and her friends and daily headlines from around the world. Selected by the Newsletter Club as a recommended read for other students, *You Don't Know What War Is* is a powerful insight into what conflict is like through the eyes of a child.

#### Careers News



Click here to read this week's Careers Newsletter.

#### In brief

Concert recommendation: The Swingles at St Jude's Proms



#### Duke of Edinburgh's Award: 100% Success in Bronze and Silver!



Dr Boyce, our DofE Award Co-ordinator, is thrilled to announce that all students at Bronze and Silver Award level successfully completed their expeditions this month. It was the largest contingent of DofE expeditioners that we've ever had, with no fewer than 95 students involved.

### TES Schools of the Year Awards: Queenswood Shortlisted for Boarding



Mrs Ludwick (Assistant Head, Boarding) and Miss Sheeran (Stamp Housemistress) represented Queenswood at the prestigious TES Schools Awards at the Grosvenor Hotel on Park Lane on Friday 20 June. We were honoured to be shortlisted in the Boarding School of the Year category.

### Sports Day 2025: Relive the Excitement



Queenswood's athletes ran, jumped, hurdled, sprinted, leaped and threw themselves into the record book at Sports Day 2025, held in perfect conditions on the Summerfield on Friday 20 June. The overall winners were Clapham North, and the staff team were victorious in the infamous Purple Mile relay race.

# Artist of the Month: Alisa's Dynamic Snake Painting



Alisa X (Year 9) was our Artist of the Month for April 2025, and this week met Mrs Cameron to talk about her work. Alisa is fascinated by snakes – she describes them as her favourite animal – and she was inspired to create this terrific painting from a photograph resource. It is currently on display in Mrs Cameron's office.

# **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.