



Reminder:  
Friday 21–Sunday 23 January  
is a home weekend for  
Years 7 and 8. **Click here** to  
check the term dates for 2022.

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## ISI Compliance Report



We are very pleased to share the good news that this week we received a **positive Compliance Report** from the Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI), following their inspection of our school at the end of last term.

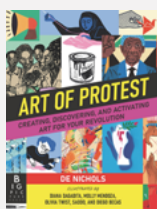
We would like to extend our grateful thanks to those parents and pupils who took the time to complete an ISI questionnaire as part of the process.

## Weekend fun: No money? Free Monet!



January is renowned for being the month when we all tighten our belts and try to spend more carefully. There are lots of ways for teenagers to get to grips with their finances and still have fun! **Here are our suggestions** for a fun-filled yet thrifty weekend.

## This week I am reading...



*Art of Protest* by De Nichols (12+)

De Nichols, an arts-based organiser, 'artist', lecturer and entrepreneur began creating art in her teens in response to events such as Hurricane Katrina and 9/11. This fascinating and brilliantly designed book is a must for secondary school libraries, art rooms, and for any young person interested in protest art and how images are used in politics, culture and society.

## In brief

**Weekend Boarding: Celebrating Russian Christmas with a doll-making workshop**

**Christmas Hampers: Thank you from Howe Dell School**

**Queenswood pupils receive second COVID-19 vaccination**

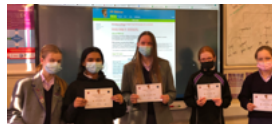
Welcome to the latest digest of news, events and blog posts from the website of Queenswood School. **Click on the pink hyperlinks to read more.**

## A-Level Investigation Evening for Year 11 Pupils



Year 11 Parents – don't miss this important event for you and your daughter on **Wednesday 26 January**. The A-Level Investigation event is a great opportunity to find out more about the curriculum, course components, exam formats, and assessment objectives for each of the 27 A-Levels on offer at Q.

## Queenswood Coders to Participate in Oxford University Computing Challenge



Eight Queenswood students were among the top 10% of entrants in the nationwide Bebras Computing Challenge last term. They received Gold Awards and have been invited to participate in the Oxford University Computing Challenge in early February.

## PSHCEE | The Boy in the Photograph: Anti-Bullying Talk with Robert Higgs



Year 7 and 8 enjoyed a thought-provoking and inspiring talk by Rob Higgs, actor, author and anti-bullying speaker on Thursday 13 January. He offered a range of creative and humorous methods for disarming aggression – whether verbal or physical.

## The Week in Chapel: A New Year



We began 2022 in Chapel with talks from Mrs Cameron and Rev'd Vindra about self-reflection and making positive changes in our lives. There were also reflections on the life and work of Archbishop Desmond Tutu. The link takes you to Monday's Chapel, with a link at the end to watch Wednesday's service.

## Zoe's Santa Selfie Portrait Wins Christmas Art Competition



Zoe U (Year 9) created this fantastic festive work of art over the holidays. Her drawing of her grandfather as a selfie-snapping Santa was the winning entry in the Art Department's portrait competition. Congratulations, Zoe!

## Queenswood Takes Silver at Herts Cross Country Championships



Congratulations to our U13 and U15 Cross Country runners, who performed brilliantly at the Herts Cross Country Championships at Stanborough, Welywn Garden City on 9 January. Queenswood picked up the silver medal, and many of our runners are now in consideration for inter-county selection.

## Lunch and Supper Menus for the Spring Term



Queenswood is rightly celebrated for the astonishing quality and diversity of food on offer throughout the day. The menus operate on a three-week rotation, with at least five main-meal lunch options and four choices for supper every day, plus soups, salads and a range of delicious puddings. Click the link to find out more.

## NEW: On Your Doorstep...



In this new weekly feature we plan to bring you information about events and activities that are happening in the local community that you may wish to support. Please do let the Newsletter team know if you are involved with any events that we can include. You can reach us by email at [newsletter@queenswood.org](mailto:newsletter@queenswood.org).

## STOP PRESS!

Tennis Scholar Jess M (Year 12) has turned professional, and this week gained her first Women's Professional International Tennis ranking points! We'll have a full report next issue.