



SAVE THE DATE
THE QUEENSWOOD BALL 2023

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SATURDAY 24 JUNE
7.00pm – 1.00am

Save the date:
The Queenswood Ball
Saturday 24 June 2023

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Friday 27 January 2023

Year 11: Making Your A-Level Choices



Year 11 pupils and parents: visit [this dedicated section](#) of the Queenswood website to submit your A-Level options by Monday 20 February.

Weekend fun: Burns Night Supper



We pay tribute to Scotland's favourite bard, Robert Burns, on 25 January each year. So this weekend, why not embrace the celebrations and host a [Burns Night Supper](#). We hope you enjoy the haggis, neeps & tatties!

This week I am reading...



The Time-Travel Diaries by Caroline Lawrence

After inventing a time machine, billionaire Solomon Daisy sends London schoolboy Alex Papas on a mission. Time travel is easier for kids, and Alex knows Greek and a little Latin. But Time Travel is no fun fair, and there are more ways to die in Roman London than Alex could have guessed. Non-stop action that our younger Classics students will love! Also available on Audible.

In brief



[Tutorial activity: pupils learn what it means to be a 'good upstander'](#)

[Congratulations to Tennis Scholar Ava, winner of the Bromley U16 G3](#)

[Save the date: OQs vs 1st XI Hockey Thursday 16 March](#)

[Great progress for U13 and U14 Qballers in District Tournament](#)



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.](#)

Femlead: Olympian OQ Jodie Williams Supporting Young Women in Uganda



It was wonderful to hear from athletics star and Old Queenswoodian Jodie Williams recently and to find out about her charitable work with Femlead – an inspirational organisation supporting young women and girls in Uganda. Find out how you can help the charity's Fluff Project, which empowers girls to escape period-poverty and to reach their full potential.

Music Scholars and Principal's Award Holders: Spring Concert



The Music Scholars and Principal's Award holders gave a very special concert in the Ernest Read Hall on Thursday 26 January, with a varied programme that featured classics of musical theatre and popular song alongside pieces from the classical repertoire. [Click on the hyperlink above to watch highlights or view the entire recording.](#)

Chapel Highlights: Give Me Joy in My Heart



This week in Chapel, we sang the hymn 'Give me joy in my heart', continuing the theme of being a good upstander. The students were addressed by Mrs Moore-Bridger on Monday and on Wednesday, Mrs Warren, Miss Bassett and several pupils led the service. Miss Bassett even read a poem that she had written specially for the occasion. Readings were taken from Mark 2:15-17 and John 8:3-11.

Camilla de Coverley Veale OQ: Policy Director at the Coalition for a Digital Economy



'I didn't know what I wanted to do after Queenswood but Sixth Form didn't push me into a straitjacket – it was a trampoline. I had opportunities to showcase skills and take on leadership roles, but Q also worked with me when I pitched independent ideas...'

U14 Netball Team Through to Semi-Finals of National Shield Competition



We're delighted to announce that Queenswood's U14 Netballers have progressed to the final four of the Sisters n Sport National Shield, after a stunning 46-22 victory over Woodlands School. They are now excitedly awaiting news of their opponents in the semi-final. Congratulations!

Year 10 DT: Getting to Grips with Woodworking



Mr Turner's Year 10 DT class have been busy honing their making skills over the past few months and looking at the properties of timber. They are currently designing and making tables and stools in preparation for the large-scale projects they will be embarking on as they move into Year 11.

Welcome to the Krav Maga Self Defence Club!



Self defence is an important skill that everyone should know, and the Krav Maga club is the perfect opportunity to learn and practise techniques that can help keep you safe in any situation. It's been a great start to the club this term, with a strong turnout of students learning basic techniques such as strikes, blocks, and escapes.

Introducing Mrs Jackson, Queenswood's New Director of Music



Mrs Elle Jackson will be joining Queenswood as Director of Music in April 2023. For the last 11 years she has been Head of Music at Stanborough School in Welwyn Garden City. She is Director of Music at St Mary's Church, North Mymms, in which role she takes great joy in leading the church choir. She also has a great passion for musical theatre and can regularly be seen treading the boards of the Wyllyotts Theatre with Potters Bar Theatre Company.

Superb Results for Q's Riding Squad at County Championships



Queenswood Riding Squad had a hugely successful outing to the NSEA County Championship Qualifiers on Sunday 22 January. [Click the hyperlink above to read about the many individual and team achievements, including a number of county champion rosettes.](#)

Artist of the Month: Eliza M's Charcoal Still Life



Congratulations to Eliza M (Year 10), who was named artist of the month for November 2022. Her intricate and beautifully executed charcoal still life is currently on display in Mrs Cameron's office.

Year 7 Japanese Students' Delightful 'Nengajo' Cards



New Year is the most important holiday in the Japanese calendar and celebrations are very different to those in the UK. As part of a cultural extension activity, pupils were introduced to the New Year celebrations and the seasonal foods, decorations, customs and associated vocabulary in Japanese, then invited to create their own New Year's Card, or 'Nengajo'.