



Well done to all students who have been sitting internal and external exams over recent weeks

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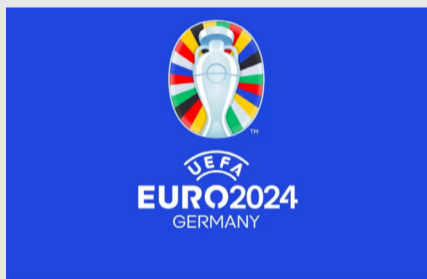
Friday 14 June 2024

Year 11 Drama: *Amélie*



Join us on Trew Lawn on the evening of Tuesday 2 July for an open-air concert celebrating the pupils' music-making during the Summer Term. The concert will include performances from all our ensembles, including choirs, wind band, orchestras, chamber groups, Year 7 self-composed songs and our Year 7 massed choir. Tickets are being sold in aid of the Orchestras for All charity; click [here](#) to buy yours.

Weekend fun: Euro 2024 is here!



There is only one type of fun to be had this weekend - football! As parents dust off their Euro 96 shirts and the humming of Baddiel and Skinner's anthem grows ever louder, we give you our guide to [Euro 2024](#).

This week I am reading...

*The Things We Leave Behind* by Clare Furniss



Civil unrest in London has reached an all-time high after years of a growing authoritarian regime, and it's no longer safe for Clem and her half-sister Billie in the city. Clem tells of their treacherous journey to Scotland, by road and then by sea, fleeing with nothing but a notebook filled with stories and memories of home. But is there something Clem's not saying? And how will this journey – and the sisters' story – end? With the start of a new life? Or a mirror held up to the past? How I Live Now meets Exodus – a startling YA dystopia that imagines London as the epicentre of the refugee crisis, from critically acclaimed author Clare Furniss. Also available on Audible.

In brief

'Awkward Conversations' seminar: [video](#) (for Q parents and staff only)

We send our warmest wishes to King Charles on his official birthday

Thanks to the Catering Department for an excellent Euro-24-themed lunch

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.

## Enrichment Week Programmes



A week of exciting and enriching trips and on-site activities is planned for Years 7–10 and Year 12 for the week beginning Monday 17 June. Click on the pink hyperlink above to access the itinerary for each year group.

## Thanks for Your QPA Sports Day Raffle Prizes...Keep Them Coming!



The Queenswood Parents' Association are immensely grateful to those parents and businesses who have donated raffle prizes for next Friday's Sports Day. Any more donations will be very gratefully received. In addition, we require cakes and other baked goods to sell at our café, which will be open throughout the afternoon.

## An Enthralling Piano Masterclass with Katya Apekisheva



We hosted a fascinating piano masterclass in the Chapel on Thursday 14 June, as part of this year's Hertfordshire Festival of Music programme. The session was led by the festival's Principal Artist, Katya Apekisheva. Described as a 'profoundly gifted artist' by Gramophone magazine, Katya has earned her place as one of Europe's most renowned and gifted pianists

## Queenswood Athletes in Action in the County League



Our Junior and Intermediate Athletics teams were in fine form in the County League on Thursday 6 June. They were battling hard for points to qualify for the County League Finals later this term, and every athlete showed incredible commitment and determination. Watch this space for news of their progress!

## Tennis Queenswood's B Team Qualifies for the Aberdare Cup



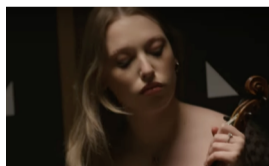
Congratulations to the Queenswood Tennis B team, who beat Claire's Court in their final qualification match for the Aberdare Cup on Wednesday 12 June. They will join our A team for the finals at the Nottingham Tennis Centre later this month, where Queenswood will be hoping to retain the National U18 title.

## Year 9 Students Report on their DofE Bronze Award Expedition.



Further to previous articles from our Silver Award DofE students, we are delighted to share with you three accounts from Bronze Award pupils Annabelle R, Sahi K and Lucienne M (Year 9) who embarked on their recent qualifier expedition in the Peak District.

## Former Music Scholar Tehya Dawson Featured in Wolves Promotional Video



Former Music Scholar Tehya Dawson (OQ 2022) features prominently in a stunning launch video for the new JD Sports partnership with Wolverhampton Wanderers. Tehya is currently studying violin at the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire and has been awarded a scholarship by Julian Lloyd Webber.

## Year 10 Drama: Trip to *Everyone's Talking About Jamie*



Year 10 GCSE Drama students went to see *Everybody's Talking About Jamie* at Milton Keynes Theatre on Wednesday 12 June. This was a superb production filled with dynamic choreography and showstopping performances. Students will be analysing the acting, set, costume and lighting design as part of their GCSE Drama course.

## 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.

