



Our next Open Morning is on **Saturday 28 September**. If you or someone you know is looking for a place at Queenswood for 2025 or beyond, visit [queenswood.org/open-events](https://www.queenswood.org/open-events) to book.

News and information from www.queenswood.org

Friday 6 September 2024

Fuel your day and join the coffee Q!



We are excited to announce that from Monday morning, we will be selling coffee and other hot drinks from our new Horsebox Coffee Shop, which will be parked outside the swimming pool between 8am and 9am. If you would like to try the delicious drinks on offer, please park in the main car park, rather than in the pupil drop-off lane. Please also note that no hot drinks should be taken into school.

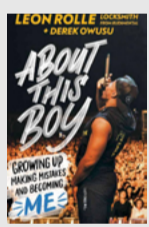
Weekend fun: gear up for greatness!



Returning to school is an exciting time to set new personal goals and to think about how you as an individual study in the most effective way. So this weekend, why not gear up for greatness and tackle your study prep like a pro? Stock up on your favourite supplies, explore some online study aids, and create a game plan that sets you up for success! [Here](#) are some of our favourite study apps to try out over the weekend.

This week I am reading...

About this Boy by Leon Rolle



Leon "Locksmith" Rolle is one-quarter of the phenomenally successful band Rudimental. In this book, he shares his aspirational story. With chapters on mindset, self-belief and confidence, Leon encourages you to find balance and happiness, no matter what life throws at you. *About this Boy* is also available on Audible, and you can listen to a sample [here](#). An inspirational read for students in Years 7 to 9.

In brief

First day fun for our newest Queenswoodians

Dahlia is jumping for joy after England Athletics call-up

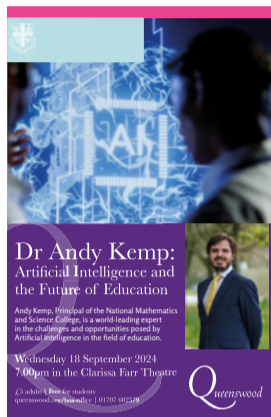
Success for Teagan at the BDO Street Dance Championships

Eva H's Minecraft project earns commendation from senior Verulamium archaeologist



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 Date for Your Diary: Dr Andy Kemp on AI and the Future of Education



We are very excited to announce that Dr Andy Kemp, Principal of the National Mathematics and Science College, will be visiting Queenswood's Clarissa Farr Theatre on **Wednesday 18 September** to speak about the challenges and opportunities that Artificial Intelligence poses in the field of education.

Andy has spoken at conferences around the world in relation to the role that technology plays in education, and in particular themes around artificial intelligence and STEM education, and has been published in several journals, magazines, and collective works.

Tickets will cost £5 for adults (free for pupils), including complimentary drinks on arrival, and will be available to purchase via the [Box Office](#) from Monday 9 September.

Excellent A-Level Results for the Class of 2024



Queenswood's Class of 2024 are celebrating richly deserved successes at A-Level, with a highly impressive 67.1% of grades at A*-B. Students now progress to leading universities, where they will embark on a wide range of undergraduate courses, including Chemical Engineering, Archaeology, and Geography, all at UCL; Mathematics at Queen Mary London; and Law at LSE.

Queenswood Pupils Celebrate Tremendous GCSE Results



Pupils and teachers at Queenswood are celebrating GCSE results to be extremely proud of, with 77.3% of grades at 9-6, and 57% at grade 7 or higher. More than a fifth of students gained eight or more grade 8s, while well over a third achieved eight or more grade 7s. Several were awarded eight or more grade 9s – an astonishing accomplishment.

Co-Curricular Programme: Spoilt for Choice!



The co-curricular programme for the Autumn Term has been published to pupils and parents, and with almost 200 academic, sporting, creative and recreational clubs to choose from, it's fair to say that there's something for everyone. Tutors are now helping their tutees to devise a balanced weekly programme – activities start on Monday.

World Challenge to Borneo: An Unforgettable Adventure



During the first two weeks of the summer holidays, an intrepid group of Year 11 and 12 students travelled to Borneo with the World Challenge initiative. They took part in community initiatives, spent days trekking and camping in forests, and immersed themselves in the culture of this uniquely fascinating part of the world.

Olympic Glory for Jodie and Rowan



We are overjoyed at the Olympic success for two OQs at the Paris 2024 games. Rowan McKellar won bronze in the eights rowing, while Jodie Williams also picked up bronze as part of the 4x400m relay. We couldn't be prouder – their achievements are testament to the Queenswood Qualities of resilience, courage and resourcefulness.

Strategic Developments: A Summer of Renovations



While many of us were relaxing over the summer, the Maintenance and Estates teams have been working tirelessly to complete refurbishment and renovation projects. Meanwhile, our Lettings team have been busy welcoming visitors from across Europe for a series of residential language schools, tennis camps and a brand new fencing course, as well as the usual activity weeks for young children.

Pedalling for a Purpose: Ms Greensmith Completes Her Epic Charity Cycle Ride



We are thrilled to report that over the summer, Ms Greensmith completed her epic charity cycle ride from Land's End to John O'Groats, travelling a whopping 1,087km over 12 days! Ms Greensmith is raising funds for the The Jack Lonergan Foundation and there is still time to donate to this very special cause.

House Charity Hoodies: Online Ordering is Now Open!



The order form for House Hoodies is now open! Hoodies cost £30 each, and should you choose to participate, this will be added to your next school bill. A percentage of the funds raised will go to one of our school's charities, Noah's Ark Children's Hospice. The deadline to order your hoody is 20 September.

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.