



A polite reminder to all Year 10 and 11 parents to register for the Into the Sixth Form event on Tuesday 1 October [here](#)

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Science essay competition



Are you a student with a passion for science and a love for storytelling?

Join our essay writing competition and shine a light on the incredible women who have made groundbreaking contributions to the scientific world.

Prizes will be awarded to the most insightful and engaging essays.

Click [here](#) for more information

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.

The Future Is Here: A Compelling Talk on AI and the Future of Education



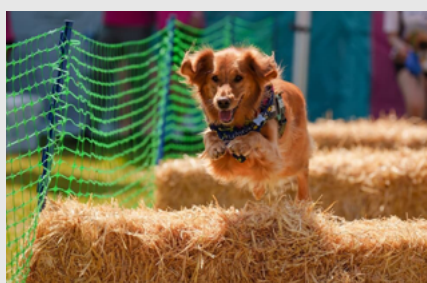
We were delighted to welcome Dr Andy Kemp, Principal of the National Mathematics & Science College, to Queenswood this week. He delivered a captivating and thought-provoking series of presentations to students, staff and parents, showcasing remarkable examples of how AI can enrich educational experiences while also addressing the inevitable challenges it poses.

Independent School of the Year Finalists: Performing Arts



We're extremely proud to announce that Queenswood is a finalist in the Independent Schools of the Year Awards! We've been selected in the Performing Arts category. The winners will be announced on Tuesday 8 October – watch this space! In the meantime you can enjoy a highlights reel from our 2023-24 season.

Weekend fun: DogFest 2024!



If you're a dog-lover, **DogFest 2024** is THE place to be this weekend! Held at Knebworth House, the festival raises awareness and much-needed funds for the Dogs Trust charity, in addition to being a great day out for pups and their humans. Enjoy the paw-ty!

Mid-Autumn Festival Celebrations: A Report from the Newsletter Club



Our students enjoyed lantern making, moon gazing and traditional Chinese tea this week at our Mid-Autumn Festival celebrations. The Terrace Room and Mymwood Boarding House were beautifully decorated for the occasion, and our Year 7 Newsletter Club reporters Miri and Lily were on hand to capture all of the finer details for you.

Year 13 Biology: Fieldwork at Juniper Hall



This week Year 13 visited Juniper Hall in Dorking, Surrey to delve deeper into their required practical work and expand their knowledge. It was exciting to see all the different ways of studying so many different organisms whilst being in a new environment.

This week I am reading...

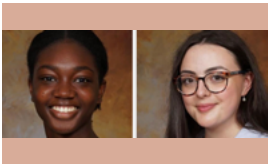
Not for the Faint of Heart by Lex Croucher



'You aren't merry,' said Clem to her captor. And you aren't all men. So there's been some marketing confusion somewhere along the line.'

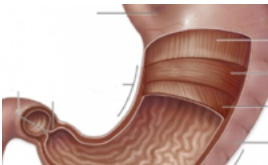
Rip-roaringly romantic, fast-paced and funny, *Not for the Faint of Heart* is the brand new Sapphic historical fantasy adventure from the author of Cafe Nero Award shortlisted, YA Book Prize winner and Books Are My Bag Reader's Award winner, Gwen and Art Are Not in Love. For students who prefer to listen to an audiobook, you can sample the book on Audible [here](#).

This Week in Chapel: Meet School Prefects Glory and Charlotte



In Assembly, Mrs Stokes introduced Digital Prefect, Glory O and School Council Prefect, Charlotte P. They told us about their roles and invited all students to express an interest in joining their teams. In our Act of Worship, Reverend Kate talked about how great God is and reminded us of how we can contact her should we wish to.

Medical Society: Understanding the Stomach



At Medical Society, students have been learning about the structure of the stomach this week. This term they will be preparing presentations about various ailments that affect the stomach and how these can be treated. The Medical Society is open to all Sixth Form students interested in pursuing a career in Medicine or Veterinary Science.

Tales with a Twist: Year 10 Creative Writing



In Year 10 English lessons, pupils were tasked with writing a 100-word story, and then expanding it into a longer piece, keeping the same structure. One of the challenges was to have a surprise for the reader at the end. Mrs New, Head of English, has selected four of the most intriguing stories to share.

In brief

Break a leg Mr Jordan! *Merrily We Roll Along* tickets available [here](#)

Edie represents GB Tennis in major European tournament

Isabella's captivating photo shortlisted for GSA award

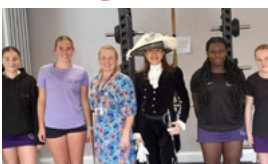


A-Level Drama: Puppetry Workshop



Year 12 Drama students have been exploring the work of Theatre de Complicité and researched the story of John Darwin, the canoe man who famously tried to fake his own death in 2002. This has led us to experiment with puppetry to reinforce actor collaboration and foster a sense of collective creativity.

The High Sheriff of Hertfordshire visits Queenswood



We were honoured to welcome The High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, Annie Brewster JP, to Queenswood on Tuesday 17 September. She is spearheading a Sport for Good campaign across the county. She was particularly impressed by our long sporting heritage and our ethos of participation and celebration.

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.