

# NEWS FROM Queenswood



The last Open Morning of the Autumn Term is this **Wednesday, 9 October**. If you or someone you know is looking for a place at Queenswood for 2025 or beyond, visit [queenswood.org/events](https://www.queenswood.org/events) to book

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Friday 4 October 2024

## Parents' Pastoral Talk



Parents are invited to join an online session delivered by Internet Safety Talks at 7pm on Monday 11 November. Topics covered include screen time and addiction, social media and privacy settings, body shaming and more. Further information will be sent in due course.


## Weekend fun: head to the Emirates!



We love football at Q, and this weekend Arsenal Women are playing Everton Women at the Emirates Stadium. Ticket prices start at just £8.75 and the stadium is easily accessible, so why not show your support for women's sport and enjoy the exciting atmosphere of a live game! To find out more and to read a report from Mr Ward on Q's football season so far, please click [here](#).

## This week I am reading...

*Black and British: a short, essential history* by David Olusoga

 A short, essential introduction to Black British history for readers of 12+ by award-winning historian and broadcaster David Olusoga. This children's version of the bestseller *Black and British: A Forgotten History* is illustrated with maps, photos and portraits. Winner of the Book of the Year, Children's Illustrated and Non-Fiction at The British Book Awards, 2021, this is an informative and accessible read for younger students.

## Careers news

[The Royal Society of Biology: find your future Biosciences career](#)

## In brief

[Year 11 Art: focus on female artists past and present at Tate Britain](#)



[BREAKING NEWS: Clapham North Win Year 7 Dance-Off](#)

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.

## Into the Sixth Form: Years 10 and 11 Explore Their Academic Futures



Year 10 and 11 pupils and their families got the chance to explore life in Queenswood's Sixth Form on 1 October, with a series of talks in the Clarissa Farr Theatre and a vibrant subject fair in Q Hall. Mr Daughton gave a compelling account of the value added by a Queenswood education, with years' worth of verified statistics from Cambridge Assessment to prove that we are experts in teaching girls.

## Speeches from Open Morning



We had a very successful Open Morning on Saturday 28 September. Thank you to the guides who gave such informative and enthusiastic tours of the school, and special thanks to Alexia E (Year 7) and Lisa O (Year 12, Head Girl for 2024-25) who spoke in the Clarissa Farr Theatre. You can view the speeches by clicking on the link above.

## Black History Month: Competition Time



October is Black History Month. This year the theme is #ReclaimingNarratives, and the History Department is inviting all Q students to research a key individual or event from Black History. Students who wish to enter should present their findings as a poster in either a Google document or slide (or any other creative method!)

## Year 11 Geography: Field Trip to Norfolk



The recent Geography field trip to Norwich and Sheringham proved to be a truly enriching experience. The trip offered a unique opportunity to explore the fascinating relationships between human activity and natural processes, particularly focusing on coastal erosion and urban regeneration.

## Competitive University Applications: Mr Fox's Co-curricular Club



On Monday 30 September, students were joined by Cath Churchill, a trainee barrister and Natural Sciences graduate of Cambridge University. Cath passed on her hints and tips concerning how to make an Oxbridge application stand out, especially for STEM subjects, and spoke about pathways into the legal profession.

## Black History Month: Nigerian Independence Day Celebrations



We marked the start of Black History Month with a joyful celebration of Nigerian Independence Day. On Monday night Mymwood House hosted an evening of dancing, DJ-ing and drumming, and boarders from all four houses came along to help the party go with a swing. On Tuesday the whole school was treated to a celebratory feast.

## A Message from the Nursing Team: Anaphylaxis Awareness Week



It is Anaphylaxis Awareness Week this week. Please find a link to further information about the awareness week [here](#). We also wanted to take this opportunity to remind you that at Queenswood we are nut free, sesame free and kiwi free. We please ask that none of these foods or foods containing these ingredients are brought to school.

## Cross Country: Inter Team Wins Through to Regional Finals



Congratulations to all our teams who competed in the first round of the National Cross Country Cup, hosted here at Queenswood on Tuesday 1 October. Despite the challenging weather conditions, our athletes performed brilliantly. We're especially proud of our Inter team, who have qualified for the Regional round in November.

## This Week in Chapel: Meet the Prefects and Autumn Jumper Day



In Assembly this week, we met Olivia N-B (13H), Juniper W (13N), Sophia Z (13H) and Addy T (13H) the Senior Prefects responsible for Boarding, Stamp, Wellbeing and International respectively. In our Act of Worship, Teagan M (11N) told us about Autumn Jumper Day and how we can support the Knebworth Food Bank with our donations.

## Horse Riding Club: A Report from Dilem K, Year 8



Newsletter Club Reporter Dilem K in Year 8 also belongs to the Horse Riding Club at Queenswood. She reports this week on what her and her fellow club members get up to at Trent Park Equestrian Centre and shares her favourite things about the club. Well done Dilem!

## 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.