



A reminder that our QPA Coffee and Christmas Fair takes place on Friday 22 November. Stalls will be open for parents from 3.00pm–5.15pm.

News and information from [www.queenswood.org](http://www.queenswood.org)

Friday 15 November 2024

Lost Property Day: Monday 9 December

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**Monday 9th December**  
please find your lost belongings at break & lunch time in the conference room

Weekend fun: help the hedgehogs!



Hedgehog numbers in the UK have declined drastically, with populations dropping by over half in rural areas since 2000. November is a crucial month for hedgehogs as they prepare for hibernation, so if you would like to help Britain's beloved spiky friends, why not get busy in the garden this weekend and create a safe space for them. You can find out how to help the hedgehogs [here](#).

Careers News



Ms King, Head of Careers and Futures, writes: 'Click [here](#) to read this week's Careers Newsletter. We were delighted to welcome Lara Sanders and Chloe Chife back to Queenswood this week. As recent University graduates, they were able to impart really valuable knowledge to our Year 12 girls as part of our Career Speaker programme.'

This week I am reading...

*The Unknown Warrior* by John Nichol



Over a million British Empire soldiers died in World War I, with over half a million still having no known grave. To ease the nation's grief, the idea of the 'Unknown Warrior' emerged – a single unidentified soldier buried in Westminster Abbey. John Nichol explores this century-old story through diaries, archives, and expert insights.

In brief

Young V&A: photography and animation workshop for 11-14s

Young V&A: free design workshop for 11-14s

Senior Art Scholars Club: life-drawing with model Tasha



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.

Senior Classics Trip to Greece



In October, GCSE and A-Level Classical Civilisation and Latin students headed to Greece for an unforgettable trip. They explored the Acropolis, Delphi and Olympia, ran ancient races, and even tested the acoustics at Epidaurus. They also spent a memorable night at a beach-side hotel in the village of Tolo.

This Week in Chapel: Queenswood Remembers



It was a time of remembrance at Queenswood this week as students and staff honoured those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. On Sunday there was a service of remembrance in the Chapel and on Armistice Day the whole school gathered on Trew Lawn and observed the two-minute silence.

Cake and Journals: Thank You from the Newsletter Club



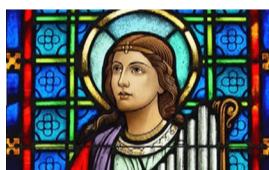
The Newsletter Club and Wellbeing Prefect, Sophia Z, would like to say a big thank you to all of the staff and students who supported their Cake and Journals event on Tuesday. The lunch time drop-in was great fun and saw staff and students from every year group enjoying delicious chocolate cake and crafting their own journal.

Maths Week England: From Polar Bears to Playhouse Profits



This week, students across the school took part in activities run by Maths Week England. Year 8s explored Philip Henslowe's 1591 journals, discovering how maths transitioned from Roman to Hindu-Arabic numerals. Year 11s attended an inspiring talk on maths in careers, and everyone enjoyed tackling puzzles.

St Cecilia's Concert: Join Us for a Rousing Evening of Music-Making



Join us for a very special music concert on Tuesday 19 November in aid of Isabel Hospice. There will be performances from our many ensembles, including Year 7 Choir, Orchestra, Wind Band, String Orchestra, Qsingers and Quire to name just a few. Click on the pink hyperlink above to book tickets.

Spotlight on Sport: Junior Hockey Tour to Barcelona



At the start of the October half-term holiday, more than 40 budding hockey stars from Years 7 and 8 headed to Barcelona for six days of training and bonding. These posts from the [QueenswoodSport](#) Instagram account tell the story of an unforgettable trip.

Spotlight on Sport: U15 Tennis: Another National Final Beckons!



Our tennis teams delivered outstanding performances at the regional finals this week. The U15s made it through to National Finals beating the Perse and St Georges Weybridge. This is the fourth year in a row that this team has reached National Finals and they will be defending their title in Bolton Arena at the end of the month.

Spotlight on Sport: A New Generation of Q Netballers



Two Queenswood netball teams are powering their way through the rounds of the Sisters n Sport National Competition. The U12A team secured a solid win in their first match for Queenswood in R2 of the Shield. Meanwhile, the U14A teams put on a dominant display in R2 of the Cup, scoring over 40 goals!

Spotlight on Sport: Gold for U14 and U16 Badminton Teams



Very well done to our U14 and U16 badminton teams, who both won gold medals in the first round of the National Badminton competition hosted at Queenswood on 6 November. We hope to bring you news of more success for these very talented players later in the season – watch this space!

Spotlight on Sport: Cross Country: Victory in the Mid-Herts Championships



Congratulations to Queenswood's Cross Country teams, who dominated the Mid-Herts District Cross Country Championships on Tuesday 12 November. All four teams excelled, winning their respective age groups and securing the title of overall girls' champions – a fantastic achievement for Queenswood!

'I Will Always Remember': A Poem by Lily S (Year 7)



I once was a soldier, now I am a ghost,  
But I will always remember  
The screaming, the crying,  
The shouting, the shooting.

[Read more](#)

Hartley House Supper Raises Hundreds of Pounds for Local Children's Hospice



Hartley House raised Queenswood's roof with an outstanding House Supper on Thursday 14 November! There was a hugely successful raffle, with over a £1000 worth of prizes, as well as a catwalk, a jukebox, a sweets-and-popcorn stall and an iconic photobooth. The raffle raised nearly £800 for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice in Barnet.

Peru 2026: The Trip of a Lifetime with World Challenge



After a highly successful, exhilarating and life-changing trip to Borneo last summer, we are pleased to launch the next World Challenge Expedition, to Peru in July 2026! Students from Years 10–12 are welcome to apply for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore the country with expert guides and develop vital skills.

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.