

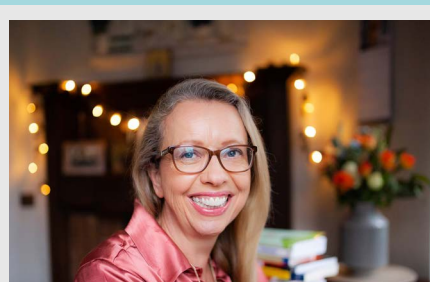


Our next Open Morning is this Tuesday, 11 March. If you or somebody you know is looking for a place at Queenswood, follow [this link](#) to book your place.

News and information from www.queenswood.org

Friday 7 March 2025

Date for your Diary: ADHD Talk



Empowering Girls to live well with ADHD – for Parents, Students and Teachers

Join Pippa Simou, chartered coaching psychologist and former teacher on, Wednesday 26 March, 4:45-6:15pm, as she leads a thought-provoking session diving into the world of ADHD, uncover how the female presentation may differ from the male experience and gain understanding of the unique challenges faced.

Discovering effective strategies to help these remarkable girls to flourish both at home and in school, celebrating their individuality and strengths.

Please click [here](#) to access the booking form.

Coming Soon: Staff Appreciation Day



Charlotte P, Q's School Council Prefect, is organising **Staff Appreciation Day** on Friday 14 March and would love for as many students as possible to join in. There will be activities in The Terrace Room, a Fun Fact Hunt and a Baby Photos Quiz during tutorial. Please join in the fun and show your appreciation to staff!

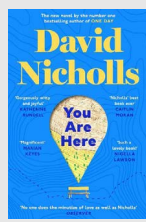
Weekend fun: Crufts 2025!



We are very excited at Queenswood! It's time for **Crufts 2025** and this weekend promises some pawsitively unforgettable weekend fun. From thrilling agility courses to the prestigious Best in Show, there's something for everyone at the NEC in Birmingham. Tickets are still available or you can catch all the action live on BBC or YouTube. Top doggies to watch out for include the Golden Retriever Display team and the Hero Dog Award contenders!

This week I am reading...

You Are Here by David Nicholls



Sometimes you need to get lost to find your way. Marnie is stuck. Michael is coming undone. Reeling from his wife's departure, increasingly reclusive, taking himself on long, solitary walks across the moors and fells. When a persistent mutual friend and some very English weather conspire to bring them together, Marnie and Michael suddenly find themselves alone on the most epic of walks and on the precipice of a new friendship. But can they survive the journey? A new love story by beloved bestseller David Nicholls, *You Are Here* is a novel of first encounters, second chances and finding the way home.

Careers News



Click [here](#) to read this week's Careers Newsletter.

In brief

Sports Scholar Keira joins England Youth Development Plan



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 John Fry Public Speaking Competition



The John Fry Public Speaking Competition is always a highlight of the academic year, involving pupils from across the entire school in displays of oratorical excellence. This year's contest was more popular than ever, with over 40 students in Years 10–12 entering the preliminary rounds of the Senior competition, and every pupil in Years 7, 8 and 9 competing in the Junior competition.

International Women's Day: Celebrating with the Mary Wollstonecraft Society



This year's International Women's Day was marked at Queenswood with a week of truly inspiring lunchtime events, filled with appreciation, empowerment, and meaningful discussions. Students had the chance to send thank-you messages to any female in the school community, acknowledging their impact and contributions.

Queenswood Musician of the Year: The Results



The final of the Queenswood Musician of the Year competition, held in the Ernest Read Hall on Thursday 6 March, was a glorious celebration of the many diverse talents of our instrumentalists and soloists. 24 finalists performed on the night – a record in the history of the competition.

Year 13 Drama: *Flies* – A Surreal Exploration of an Irrational Fear



This week Year 13 A-Level Drama students delivered an outstanding production of Oliver Lansley's *Flies*. Drawing inspiration from Steven Berkoff's physical style, the performance explored the intense rivalry between Dennis, an anxious dental assistant, and his nemesis – the Fly – through dynamic multi-role and choral techniques.

Queenswood Students Excel in Team Maths Challenge



Congratulations to our students Ophelia P B (8S), Maryam M (9S), Rachel S (9S), and Eva M (8S) for their fantastic participation in the Team Maths Challenge. The girls thoroughly enjoyed tackling a range of challenging mathematical problems, working collaboratively, and demonstrating outstanding problem-solving skills.

National Careers Week: From First Jobs to Dream Jobs



Queenswood celebrated National Careers Week with a range of fun events. Year 7 enjoyed a 'Snapshot of My Future' photobooth, while the Careers Café Bingo challenged pupils to match teachers to their former jobs. Highlights included a talk from motorsport expert Danny King, a virtual careers fair, and a Sixth Form fancy dress day.

Online Safety Training for Parents and Guardians



We would like to thank all parents and guardians who have completed the online safety training course we recently shared via email. Your feedback is much appreciated and will inform future training resources we offer to our families. For those who would still like to complete the short course, [here](#) is the link.

This Week in Chapel: A Time of Reflection



In our Year Group Assembly this week, Ivanna V (13W) delivered a heartfelt speech reflecting on the third anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. We also continued our series of talks about the tragic murder of three young girls in Southport last summer, with a discussion on the impact of social media on crime.

Take Part in the Newsletter Club Quiz to Win an Early Lunch Pass!



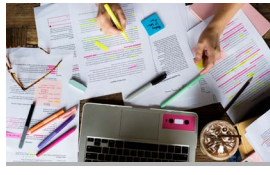
Well done to everyone who entered last week's Newsletter Club Quiz and congratulations to the winner Beatrice W (7S) who scooped the prize of early lunch passes for herself and a friend! To enter this week's quiz, please click on the pink hyperlink above.

Junior Academic Scholars: Supernovae; The Future of Housing



This week, Junior Academic Scholars enjoyed presentations by Paisley C on Astronomy, exploring stars, black holes, and exoplanets, and Isabella N, who examined the balance between housing development and preserving nature. Afterwards, the group discussed future topics and activities, generating exciting ideas for upcoming meetings.

Academic Scholars: Revision Recommendations and Application Advice



This week, the senior Academic Scholars gathered for a discussion session. This provided younger students with the valuable opportunity to ask for advice on revision techniques, managing workload, and developing good study habits. The older students gained valuable advice on university applications from Year 13.

Silent Beats and Sparkling Treats: Boarders' Mid-Week Disco



On Wednesday 5 March, all boarders were invited to a silent disco! With headphones and snacks provided upon entry, this was a wonderful opportunity to mingle between year groups and take a well-deserved break during the week. Thank you to the boarding staff for making the evening possible.

'Fish in Trees': Dyslexia Presentation by Louise Selby



On Wednesday 26 February, dyslexia specialist Louise Selby visited Queenswood to share insights and strategies for supporting dyslexic individuals. She compared dyslexia to bouldering – navigating constant obstacles – and emphasized that dyslexia doesn't define intelligence, highlighting famous dyslexics like Steven Spielberg.

Year 10 Art: Exploring the Work of Noah Davis at the Barbican



Year 10 artists enjoyed a trip to the Barbican Centre on Thursday 27 February, with views of the brilliant brutalist architecture and a spectacular exhibition of the work of Noah Davis. They were eagerly engaged in making sketches of the work of this legendary American painter.

Spring Sports Round-Up



Click on the pink hyperlink for a round-up of the latest from the @QueenswoodSport Instagram account, including news of some great performances by our footballers and cricketers in local tournaments.

Embracing Challenges with the Duke of Edinburgh Award



Over 100 girls are participating in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award this year, dedicating over 7,200 hours to volunteering, physical activities, and skill development. Their efforts range from community service to learning new talents, culminating in eight expeditions at the end of the year.

Speech and Drama Performance Hour



LAMDA Speech and Drama pupils had the chance to showcase their monologues, duologues and speeches in a highly entertaining Performance Hour in the Clarissa Farr Theatre on Wednesday. Results have been superb in recent years, so it was lovely to be able to see some of their work performed publicly for the first time.

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.