



Dear Parents

Thank you to the Music Department, the peripatetic staff and the talented students who gave a terrific performance at last night's Leavers' Concert.

Good luck to the Ten Tors teams who left for Dartmoor this morning!

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Year 9 Charity Challenge



Sponsor forms for the boys' selected charity, The National Autistic Society, have been emailed home and we hope to raise in excess of last year's Year 9 total of £3,500. The boys will complete their physical and mental Challenge on the penultimate day of term, July 5th. This is always a great way for the Year group to end Year 9 and to raise as much money as possible for the worthy cause of their choice. Sponsor forms and sponsorship money (cheques payable to The National Autistic Society) should be returned by June 5th in a named envelope via the boys' tutors. Many thanks in advance for supporting the boys in their fundraising so they can beat their target!

Mrs E Conquest
Head of Year 9

Important Exam Information

Good luck to all the students taking GCSEs and A-levels!

Advice

Have an exams pencil case (clear), and bring it to every exam, with all the equipment you need in it, i.e. at least 2 pens (black ink), pencils, pencil sharpener and rubber, 30cm ruler (marked with cm and mm), compasses, protractor, coloured pencil crayons (not gel pens), set texts (e.g. for English Literature, Drama)

Please also remind your son or daughter of the following for exams:

- You must be at your exam at least 15 minutes before the start time. Morning exams start at 9.00am and afternoon at 1.30pm
- All electronic items such as mobile phones, iPods, mp3 players, smartwatches etc. must be handed in before the exam. School accepts no responsibility for these items
- Write in black ink
- Use non-programmable calculators only (with lids removed)
- If you take in a bottle of drink, it must have a spill proof top and there must be no label on the bottle
- If you are late to your exam, you may not be allowed to sit it.

Candidates have also been briefed in assemblies and have received comprehensive information via email, including seating plans.

Mr P Kirby
Exams Officer

Ten Tors

Good luck to the five teams of six students who will be on Dartmoor this weekend taking part in the Ten Tors event. We have two 35, one 45 and two 55 mile teams. They have trained hard in all weathers so the light showers predicted for Saturday and Sunday should not cause them any difficulty! Full report next week.

Mr A Calder
Head of Outdoor Pursuits

Sport Team Photos

Official team photos are now available to download from the official photographer's website. Please click the [link](#). The password to access the photos is included in the accompanying email.

Mr P Joslin
Director of Sport

Individual Sporting Success

Swimming

Well done to Henry Davis, Year 10, on qualifying for the South West regional swimming competition in Plymouth (100m Fly) and for being selected to represent the South West at the inter-regional U16 water polo tournament at the end of June.

Fencing

Last weekend, Sam Horne, Year 8, competed at the British Youth Championship in Sheffield in the under fourteen age group. Fifty fencers had all qualified from their regional competitions to compete at the event and Sam was one of the youngest fencers in this age group. Sam drew a difficult pool and initially found it difficult to compete against bigger and faster fencers so had to fence again to get into the direct elimination phase of the competition. After this Sam then found his form and after a series of fights and a narrow victory in the semi-finals found himself in his second British Championship final. Sam fought well finishing second in the silver medal position. Congratulations, Sam!

Tennis

Congratulations Olle van der Werf, Year 8, on winning the U14 Road to Wimbledon title at Redland Tennis Club last weekend!



Rugby

Herbie Gale and Joe Sparkes, Year 10, represented Bristol Rugby Academy at the Harrow U15's Festival. During the day they beat Saracens, Wasps, Exeter and London Irish. Well done, Herbie and Joe!

Mr P Joslin
Director of Sport

Antiques Roadshow

Old Elizabethan, Matthew Haley is one of the experts who will be at the [Antiques Roadshow](#) when filming takes place under the wings of Concorde at Aerospace Bristol next Thursday, 17 May. Matthew is head of the Book Department at Bonhams, the international auctioneers.

Leavers' Concert

We were treated to a fantastic concert last night in the Theatre. The Jazz Band, Sax Group, peripatetic teachers and several ensembles played their socks off! The Leavers performed both as a band and as a choir, with some first time soloists taking the lead. These talented and dedicated young people have contributed hugely to the musical life of QEJ during their time here, and I would like to thank them again for their commitment.

All 93 photos of the event can be downloaded from WeTransfer by clicking the link in the accompanying email.

Mr E Gent
Director of Music



Year 9 volunteering

Year 9 students are currently on their fourth and final Enrichment module, which focusses on the importance of looking after their mental wellbeing. The students have been introduced to Yoga and realised how physically strenuous the practice can be and they have also completed Mindfulness sessions to help the boys understand how to control their emotions. The boys have also been visited by students from Bristol University's Black Dog project who have led engaging and informative workshops designed to help the students manage their mental wellbeing.

Alongside these sessions, the boys will also spend two afternoons visiting local primary schools and volunteering with the younger students by helping them with work and reading to them. These afternoons are designed to demonstrate to the boys the positive impact they can have in their local community and the feedback from the schools has been very complimentary of our students. This volunteering is part of a wider scheme within the Enrichment Programme which has seen every form group from Year 7 to Year 10 volunteer in their local community, either through wildlife conservation on Brandon Hill, helping primary school students or interacting with residents in local care homes. The boys have been a real credit to the school.

Mr T Appleby
Head of Enrichment

Calling all budding Artists aged 16 +

LARA (London Atelier of Representational Art).

LARA is holding a Summer Scholarship Competition, aimed at 16-20 year olds. The two winners will receive free places on LARA's Drawing and Painting Summer School (July 3rd-13th). Over the course of two weeks of Summer School the winners will be taught the essentials of cast drawing and figure drawing and painting, spending ten full days in the studios with 60 hours of contact time with LARA tutors.

Students can state a preference for attending the London or Bristol studio.

LARA has a new studio in Bristol (The Old Library, Trinity Road, Old Market, BS2 ONW).

This would be a fantastic opportunity for those who are looking for something a little different to add to their UCAS forms.

The deadline for application is 4th June 2018. Please find more information [here](#).

Mrs N Dyer
Head of Art

Lizzies Film Awards – Tonight, 7pm

Come to the grand finale of this year's Lizzies Film Making Competition:

- Alien invasion, cake crime and a lunar landing – 17 fantastic films by QEH and Redmaids' High students
- Quick Fire Film Quiz – £25 prize!
- Q&A with film makers from the BBC, Aardman and boomsatsuma
- 4 professionally made short films
- Audience Vote for Lizzies Film Maker of the Year!

QEH theatre, tonight, 7pm. Tickets (£3) on the theatre door. Don't miss it!

Mrs Jacquetta Edmonds
Lizzies