



Dear Parents

The annual Leavers' Concert will take place in the Theatre next Thursday evening. This is always an excellent event and an opportunity to see some of our most talented musicians perform for the final time at QEH. I hope to see many of you there.

I wish you an enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend. The forecast looks promising!

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 Years 7 and 8 International Rugby Festival Paris, April 2019  
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### Mufti Day

Today's Mufti Day has so far raised £949.35 for the Bujagali Trust in Uganda. Thank you for your support.

Mr W Ellis  
 Assistant Head (Operations)

### Leavers' Concert, Thursday 10 May

Free tickets are now available for the Leavers' Concert at 7.00pm on Thursday 10 May in the QEH Theatre. It will be the last chance to see our talented Year 13 musicians performing on stage! The Jazz Band, Sax Group, Leavers' Band, Leavers' Choir and other group and solo items will also be on the program.

Please email ticket requests to [Mrs Wright](#).

Mr E Gent  
 Director of Music

### 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

### U13 and U14 International Rugby Festival in Paris, 14 – 18 April 2019

Year 7 and Year 8 rugby players are invited to the International Junior Rugby Festival in Paris in April 2019. Full details are in the letter on the [Parent Portal](#). As well as the tournament, highlights will include exclusive coaching clinics and master classes run by IRB-qualified coaches and ex-British Lion players, as well as the chance to meet international rugby celebrities. The trip will also include a three day hopper ticket which provides unlimited access to both Disneyland Park and Walt Disney Studios Park.

The cost of the trip will be around £650 and includes all transport, insurance, tour shirts, food and hopper tickets. To reserve a place for your son, please complete and return the form attached to the [letter](#) and pay a £200 deposit via [Parent Pay](#).

Mr N Pursall  
 Trip Organiser

**Ski Trip to Hintertglemm, Austria - 5 – 13 April 2019**



I am delighted to announce the next QEH Ski Trip - to Hintertglemm in Austria. We have chosen the snow-sure resort of [Saalbach](#) which has a vast skiing area with over 200km of pistes, catering for all abilities. Whether your son or daughter is a downhill expert or skiing novice, this trip will develop their skiing skills.

Transport, accommodation, insurance, equipment hire, instruction, lift pass and a full programme of evening activities are all included in the price of £940. Places are limited and will be given on a first come first served basis. Reserve a place by paying a deposit of £300 via [ParentPay](#). Full details are in the letter on the [Parent Portal](#).

Mr R Martineau  
Trip Organiser

**Sports Results**

Cricket v South Glos and Stroud College

1<sup>st</sup> XI lost by 27 runs

Cricket v Wycliffe College (20/20)

1<sup>st</sup> XI won by 7 wickets

Cricket v Colstons

2<sup>nd</sup> XI lost on the last ball!

Cricket v St Thomas Rich

U15A lost by 19 runs

U15B won by 10 runs

**Athletics**

Well done to all the boys who competed against Clifton College and BGS.

**Golf**

Congratulations to the following boys who took part in the Avon Schools Golf Championship-

Results -

	Gross	(Net)
Nathan Moore	5 <sup>th</sup>	(18 <sup>th</sup> )
Josh Owen	30 <sup>th</sup>	(40 <sup>th</sup> )
Will Jones	44 <sup>th</sup>	(1 <sup>st</sup> )
Max Murphy	50 <sup>th</sup>	(23 <sup>rd</sup> )

Mr P Joslin  
Director of Sport

**Cricket selections**

Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected for the Gloucestershire Cricket Board Summer Squads

Under 15

County Fuzael Ahmed

Development Ben Ramus

Under 13

County Ahmed Syed

District Archie Joslin, Jacques Plessier, Tom Schofield

Under 12

District Arun Richards

Mr P Joslin  
Director of Sport

**Big weekend on Dartmoor**

Last weekend saw 52 pupils and 8 staff head down to a wet and chilly Dartmoor for the final weekend of Ten Tors training as well as a practice for the summer's Gold DofE expedition. Despite the abundance of bogs and mires, all covered some impressive distances over two days of walking and were exemplary in their camp craft. The Ten Tors teams are now ready for lies ahead in the actual Challenge on the 12th May, whilst the Gold DofE crew will next be seen taking on Snowdonia at the end of term.

Mr A Calder  
Head of Outdoor Pursuits



## ***Touch Rugby Tournament 2018!***

The annual QEH Touch Tourny is back for its 5<sup>th</sup> year on Sunday July 1st! It has grown over the years to include not only OE teams but also QEH Family and Friends' teams.

To register a team (minimum 10 players) [email Ed Gent](#).

Mr E Gent

## ***'Maxed Out'***

Two of our students had the opportunity to perform piano concertos at two separate concerts last weekend. I imagine it's pretty frightening giving a piano recital of any sort alone, but to do so in front of hundreds, from memory and have the added complication of a huge orchestra behind you to compete with, is all the more daunting!

Max Li in Year 10 performed Beethoven's First Piano Concerto at Malmesbury Abbey in Wiltshire with Wessex Concert Orchestra on Saturday night. It was a full house and Max undertook the 40 minute tour de force with great skill and agility. He met the orchestra and piano (which was rather heavy in touch) for the first time at 4.30 and then had to perform a short time later. His tone in the sensitive moments drew people into his performance and the quick passages were slick and full of buoyant character. On conclusion of his performance the audience cheered, whooped and gave him an immediate standing ovation. He walked off and on for multiple bows and then treated the audience to an encore. Countless people wanted his autograph, wished him well and I will be inviting him to return in future. I was very proud of Max; he was a pleasure to work with, mature (he's only 15!) and utterly professional.



Max Macmillan in Year 13 was in action the following day at St George's for Bristol Youth Orchestra's Concert conducted by Eiron Bailey, where Max was performing the epic Saint-Saens Piano Concerto No 2 first movement (as well as performing in Sibelius Symphony 2 on the violin alongside other QEH students). Utterly composed at the keyboard, the long Romantic phrases were beautifully shaped and he achieved a real depth of sound from the Steinway. His true musicianship shone through all the dramatic chromatic phrases and his knowledge of the accompanying parts enabled him to have an excellent sense of dialogue and rubato with the orchestra. This performance concluded 6 years of commitment (as a violinist) at Bristol Youth Orchestra and it was great to see his peers congratulate him so heartily in an emotional final concert.

Mr T Harrison  
Assistant Director of Music

## ***Trips and Outdoor Pursuits***

The updated Trips and Outdoor Pursuits list is now available on the [Parent Portal](#). New trips have been launched so please take a look to see what is available.

School Office

## ***Merit Awards***

Congratulations to the following students on achieving their merit awards:

Year 7 Gold (60)

Martin Meilus

Year 9 Platinum (80)

Theo Akande

Max De Groot

Gold

Henry Howard

Hugo Holmström

Medhi Hashim

Isaac Fontenat

Noah Ransom

Toby England

Andre Grady

Luke Matthews

## ***Intermediate Maths Challenge***

Over 200,000 pupil across the UK took part in the Intermediate Maths Challenge and the top 6% are awarded a Gold certificate. Congratulations to the following pupils on gaining Gold certificates this year

Year 11

Jonathan Lee

Best in School and Year

Peter Hyland

Tom Carpendale

Louis Smith

Charlie Smith

Robert Duffin

Laurie Holdsworth

Year 10

Jay Parker

Best in Year

Ben Goree

Henry David

Max Li

Noah Guess

Year 9

Jason Jiang

Best in Year

Ammaar Hayat

Theo Akande

Dorian Tebbenham-Small

Year 8

Edward Neville

Mr R Martineau  
Head of Maths

## ***CBBC Gym Stars***



Oscar Akande, Year 11, will be appearing in the television series *Gym Stars*, on Tuesdays at 17.45 on CBBC. If you attended the Spring Concert at St George's last term, you may have seen film cameras there, recording Oscar's performance in the orchestra, as the programme looks at the wider life of the Gym Stars.

More details about the programme can be found [here](#). Congratulations, Oscar!

Mrs N Dyer  
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## ***Hockey Success***

Congratulations to Max De Groot, Jack Shepherd and Benji Wagstaffe, Year 9, who will be playing with their team, Clifton Robinsons, in the National Finals of the England Hockey Championships at the Lee Valley Olympic Park later this month. Good luck, boys!

Mr P Joslin  
Director of Sport

## Cake Sale Thank You



I would like to say a massive thank you to all the students who brought and bought cakes at Tuesday's Cake Sale for CoppaFeel. Your generosity raised a fabulous £240 for this important cause and I am very grateful.

Ms A Pegg

## We had a Ball!



Thank you to everyone who attended the QEH Spring Ball at the Marriott Royal Hotel last Saturday. It was a fantastic evening of great company, food and entertainment and a lovely occasion to bring together the school community for a rather glamorous evening of posh frocks and DJ's – everyone looked amazing.

Thank you to everyone for buying Raffle tickets and playing the Heads & Tails game – which was very entertaining for everyone.

All the monies raised from the Ball (an incredible £2,700) will be carefully spent on 'extras' for school to benefit the children's education – thank you so much.

On a final note, it is important to rightfully thank the team who spent a lot of time making this event happen.

Friends of QEH: Alison Haynes, Sarah Holmström, Sharon Carpentieri, Asha Goyal, Sarah Bailey, Naaz Harper, Nancy Brenchley and Mike Matthews.

We are also extremely grateful for the support and encouragement of the QEH team: Stephen Holliday, Liz Conquest, Charles Conquest (for being MC) and Bridget Widdicombe.

### \*LOST PROPERTY\*

Following on from the Ball there are a couple of items that either have 'no home' or have found a 'new home'...

- Raffle Prize £50 Harvey Nichols Voucher – this was found on table 1 at the end of the evening and is now in the school Office
- Hugo Boss Dinner Jacket (Men's) – Missing at the end of the evening. This may have been mistakenly picked up but has a name label in it 'Chris Woodward'. Please could everyone check if they have this jacket.
- Black faux fur short jacket (Women's) – There are 2 similar jackets which we need to swap over – if you had a NEXT size 12 black faux fur jacket, you may now have an Oasis size 8/10 black faux fur version. It would be great to swap these back to their owners.

If you have any updates on the above please contact [chair@gehfriends.co.uk](mailto:chair@gehfriends.co.uk).

Mrs Jo Sadler  
Friends Chair



## Alien Invasion, Chaos in the Kitchen and Crisis at QEH library – Lizzies Film Awards!

Lizzies Awards Night, Friday May 11, 7pm, QEH Theatre.

Come to the Lizzies Film Awards to witness moving and suspense filled films from our QEH and Redmaids' High film makers. And prepare for awe inspiring entertainment from the professionally made short movies selected by our film industry judges. Don't miss it!

Lizzies Film Awards tickets are £3 each. Lizzies film makers need not buy tickets – they will be issued free of charge prior to the Awards Night. (Family and friends of film makers will need to buy their own tickets). Lizzies poster at the end of the newsletter. Any queries - please email [lizzies@gehfriends.com](mailto:lizzies@gehfriends.com).

Mrs Jacquetta Edmonds  
Lizzies

## Bristol Flyers



Bristol Flyers have made the play-offs and face Newcastle Eagles this Sunday in the second leg of their quarter final clash. Tip-off is at 3.30pm at the SGS WISE Arena.

Tickets are still available from the Bristol Flyers website.

Adults - £12

Senior 65+ - £10

Under-25 - £10

Under-22 - £9

Under-19 - £7

Under-12 - £6



# Leavers' Concert

**Thursday 10 May**

**7.00pm**

**QEH Theatre**

Free admission

Last chance to see our talented Year 13 musicians performing on stage!

Featuring the Jazz Band, Sax Group, Leavers' Band, Leavers' Choir and other group and solo items.

Please email ticket requests to Mrs Wright  
[jwright@qehbristol.co.uk](mailto:jwright@qehbristol.co.uk)

# LIZZIES

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## FILM AWARDS

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# 2018

# SHOWCASE EVENING

& AWARD PRESENTATION

FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
7PM QEH THEATRE

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All tickets £3  
available now  
via ParentPay

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### **GREAT FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT**

screening of Lizzies 2018  
film entries & other short  
films, feedback from film  
industry judges, audience  
vote for Lizzies 2018  
overall winner

