



Dear Parents

This will probably be the last QEH Matters of the year. I hope you have enjoyed receiving it and would value any comments about what we might include next year.

Junior Music Showcase

Oh what a night this was! A spectacular array of over 130 performers from years 7-9 took to the floor and totally wowed the audience. Year 7 performed a lively Beatles Medley, which had the audience clapping along, and special commendation must go to soloists Ross Davidson, Arron Francis, Owen Potter, James Wearmouth and Yannick Underwood.



The Junior choir performed some lively African music, showing off their acappella skills as they sang unaccompanied throughout. Meanwhile, Mr Khajavi directed the guitar ensemble, which performed two pieces, with some expert strumming and picking showing off their ensemble playing.

James Everingham, Sam Cohen and Ben Trotman starred in their very own melodrama film, and had the audience laughing with their over-the-top acting and silly antics on stage.



Year 8 pupils performed some great renditions of their 'QEH Blues', showing off some great Blues improvisation and some witty lyrics. Meanwhile, in their Stomp performances, year 8 presented a walk in the park, a waiter serving in a restaurant and dinner being prepared, all through rhythm, with some clever choreographing from the boys.



Year 9 demonstrated their instrumental skills in a version of Pachelbel's canon, with pupils performing on their own instruments, from guitar to tuba. The evening finished with a spectacular Samba finale by year 9.

Finally, our soloists from year 9 made the most of our wonderful Steinway piano in the theatre, with three pianists performing – Charles Day, Evan Powell and Alistair Husbands – whilst Patrick Bapty performed a trumpet solo. Well done to our soloists, who performed sensitively and musically.



A big thank you to all involved – the boys who worked so hard to get their performances ready, all music staff and particularly Mr Khajavi for giving up his time in the evening, and to parents, friends, staff and other fans for coming to watch. Miss Slevin.

Forthcoming events

Sat 25 June, 8.00am – DoE Silver and Gold Assessment departs

Sun 26 June – Midsummer Festival dress rehearsal

Wed 29, Thur 30 June and Fri 1 July “Midsummer Festival” production in theatre 7.30pm

Wed 29 June 8.30-4.00pm Year 12 Physicists visit to Airbus

Thur 30 June 9.00-4.00pm Year 10 Business Day at Red Maids’

Thur 30 June 1.30-4.00pm Year 7 Outdoor Challenge at Red Maids’

Thur 30 June – 2.00-4.00pm Year 9 Induction Day

Thur 30 June – 4.00-5.00pm New Year 9 Parents’ Meeting in Sixth Form Centre

Fri 1 July – MUFTI – Action Medical Research

Sat 2 July 8.00am – Bronze DoE Assessment departs, returns Sunday 3 July

Mon 4 July Year 7 Geography Trip to Lyme Regis

Mon 4 July Year 9 Latin – Roman Day with Red Maids’

Tue 5 July – Year 12 Biologists’ Fieldtrip to South Wales

Tue 5 July – 1.30-4.00pm Year 8 Dance Event with Red Maids’

Tue 5 July – 7.00pm Summer Art School Exhibition

Wed 6 July Slovenia Expedition departs – returns Thur 14 July

Fri 8 July – Term ends at 12 noon

Tennis Results

Junior House Tennis

Singles Tournament – won by Aydin Caglayan (Bird’s)

Doubles Tournament – won by Hartnell’s

Overall results – 4th – Ramsey’s

3rd – Bird’s

2nd – Carr’s

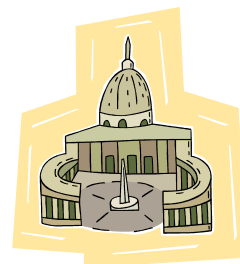
1st – Hartnell’s

Our Year 7 and 8A Tennis Team beat Colston’s 4 matches to 2 in the play-off final of The Aegon Cup.

They now go through to the Regionals in September.

Italy Trip 2013

We are in the early stages of planning a Classics/RS trip to Italy in the Easter holiday of 2013, exact dates to be confirmed soon.



We would spend time in Rome visiting The Vatican, Colosseum, catacombs and other main sites of interest, then travel to Sorrento to explore Pompeii, Vesuvius and Capri.

The visit will be for 5 or 6 nights and will be open to all pupils who are in year 7-12 in September 2011. The cost will be not more than £750.

If your son is interested in coming on this exciting trip, please print out the letter, which is on the QEH website, complete the return slip and send it to Mrs Steven at school with the deposit.

If there is not sufficient interest to run the trip, your deposit will be returned in full.

Mrs R Steven and Mr P Jones

Midsummer Festival Tickets

Performances of this year’s summer production “Midsummer Festival” are on Wed 29, Thur 30 June and Fri 1 July at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from the school office £5 for adults, £3 concessions.

The production is a Glastonbury Festival inspired version of A Midsummer Night’s Dream. The original language remains, but it has been styled with a modern festival twist. Following the “Glastonbury Festival theme” tickets are in the form of wrist bands and must be worn to obtain entry to the performance.



FPS Trip

Just after half term, 19 intrepid Future Problem Solvers set out to conquer the world at the Grand Final held at La Crosse University, Wisconsin, USA. For some reason it proved cheaper (and a lot of fun!) to travel to Toronto, taking in Niagara Falls and the CN Tower before sampling 'small town America'.



All involved competed well but didn't win, but they did come back armed with plenty of souvenirs from around the world, swapped, traded and begged from other delegates.



My thanks to Mrs Kenchington for all the arrangements and the inspiration to represent the UK and Europe in this prestigious competition.

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FPS Certificates were awarded to:

Edward Speirs
Carl Harper
Ben Phillips
Stuart O'Connell
Robert Ashford
Tom Shortman
Ed Aplin
Andreas Richardson
Chris Turner
Risshey Jeevakumar
Christopher Allen
Harry Buchanan
Eugene Tebbenham-Small
Wenbin Guo
Alex Baumbach
Patrick Allen
Hamzah Ahmed
Zakariya Khan
Abdullah Mukit

Athletics

Congratulations to Nick Marsh on setting a new Under-18 national record at CP Grand Prix at Greenford in London recently. Nick set a brilliant time of 5.40.4 in the 1500m.



He was representing the North Somerset Athletics Club as a T38 Disability Athletic.

Leavers' Photograph

Good luck to Leavers



To order copies of your official photos from [Bromheads photographers](#) please [click here](#) And enter under Event name: 'QEJ Leavers 2011'

Password: 'Failand'

We would like to wish our Leavers the best of luck with their final exams and, along with our examinees at AS and GCSE level, in their summer results.

Reminder to all boys

Please remind your son to clear his locker, together with any belongings left on the racks around school, by the end of term. All lockers and racks will be cleared during the summer holidays.

Recycling your old mobile phone



Donate your old mobile phone to the Tree of Hope Children's Charity. An easy and cost free way to help sick UK children. On average, the Charity receives £5 for each phone recycled. Send your old phone into the School Office.

Gardening Trip to Kew

This Monday the gardening club visited Kew Gardens. After a long journey – the last 5 miles took an hour – the 13 boys enjoyed a day exploring the glasshouses, the human-size badger sett and gardens with a variety of themes.



Highlights included the lily pond with its 1m diameter leaves, the Japanese garden and pagoda and the Xstrata treetop walk.

Sports Day – Saturday 18 June



Sports Day took place on Saturday and despite the wet and windy conditions was a great success.

Sam Rees for U14 broke two records in the 100 and 200 metres

Overall champions in each year were:

U12 Patrick Dore
U13 George Neville
U14 Sam Rees
U15 Callum Roberts
Senior Miles Pakeman

Carr's were the overall house champions.

Thanks to all pupils, staff and parents for their support in making this such an enjoyable event.

Letters you should have received!!

15 June – Oct Dublin Rugby Tour– Mr Joslin
16 June –Year 8, Civil War Walks – Mr Martin
30 June – Business Skills Day – Year 10 – Mr P Davies

Cricket Results

Matches v Pate's Grammar School

1st lost by 46 runs
U14 abandoned to rain needing 30 runs from 11 overs
U13 lost by 2 wkts
U12 won by 2 wkts

U15 v King's Gloucester won by 8 wkts (Jake Millar making 54 runs)
U14 v King's Gloucester won by 25 runs (Guy Sackett making 74 runs)

U14B v BGS lost by 2 runs
U13B v BGS lost by 8 wkts

Combined v St John's-on-the-Hill
1st lost by 23 runs
2nd tied
3rd lost by 3 wkts

Junior Maths Challenge

Over 3700 schools entered the UK Junior Maths Challenge this year and the following boys were in the top 6% of the entrants and received a gold certificate:

Year 7

Callum Breslin
Eugene Tebbenham-Small
Caleb Smith
Jacob Tighilt
Joshua Smith
Andreas Richardson

Year 8

Benedict M'Caw
Matthew Willatt
Max Yuen
Nick Gallagher
Rajan Sahota
Jared Butters
George Connor

'Best in School' - George Neville

Congratulations to all the boys.

Masterchef 2011 QEH and Redland High

This week saw the culmination of three rounds of Masterchef. Nine boys from QEH competed in the Finals against girls from Redland and Red Maids, each preparing a two-course meal of their choice.



Over a third of pupils in Years 7- 9, participated in the earlier rounds and three from each year won a place in the final: Matt Shaw, Louis Hale, James Wearmouth, James Pugh, Luke Fairfax, Ben Hamilton, Richie Mullan, Ed Speirs and Carl Harper. Dishes were assessed for taste, culinary difficulty and presentation and the standards achieved were very impressive.



We were extremely grateful to the judges, who were Tracey Naish, a freelance food writer, David Brown, owner of the new Brace and Brown restaurant on Whiteladies Road and Christian Abbott, the head chef from Brace and Brown.



They tasted and deliberated over each of the dishes presented to them and finally awarded prizes. Unlike two years ago, this year the girls took more prizes than the boys, but Ben Hamilton won the Year 8 competition and Luke Fairfax was third in Year 8.



The three winners won a day working alongside Michelin star chefs Peter and Jonray Sanchez-Inglesias and a taster meal for two at their restaurant, Casamia, in Westbury-on-Trym. The runners-up won a Sunday lunch for two at Brace and Brown's and the other contestants won cookery books and wooden spoons!



The Year 9 winning menu was baked haddock with sun-dried tomato tapenade on a bed of creamy sweet potato mash and mange tout followed by crème brûlée. Meanwhile, Ben wowed the judges with his roast duck in sour cherry sauce and filo pastry dessert.



Thanks to Mr Brotherton and Miss Winchester for organising the QEH side of the event and to the girls' schools for hosting two fantastic evenings.

Congratulations to all those who took part – their calmness under pressure and support for each other were exemplary.

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