



Dear Parents

I'm sure you will join with me in wishing all our examination candidates well in this important term. I hope to see many parents at our various summer events as this short term unfolds.

Lost Property

At the end of last term, we had a mountain of bags, games kit and trainers all unnamed which we will eventually donate to a charity for the homeless. Please ensure your son's property is named.

Also, a boy lost a lap top in school – if one has found its way to your house unexpectedly, please let us know.

Ideally boys should not bring valuable items to school but, if they do, please remind them (as we do) to keep them in lockers or give to a member of staff, or the school office for safekeeping.

Please remind the boys to notify the school office as soon as possible, when items have been lost.

Army Scholarship for Sixth Form

Congratulations to Will Pearce on being awarded an Army Scholarship for Sixth Form. The Army Recruiting Division only award a limited number of Scholarships each year, from a large number of applications. Will has done very well to receive this, and we will him well in his continuing service in the Army Cadets.

RS and Classics Trip to Greece

35 boys and 4 staff travelled to Greece in the Easter holiday for a Classics and RS tour. We visited the Acropolis in Athens and a stunning new museum associated with it.



We then toured by coach to Delphi, Olympia, Epidauros, Mycenae and Corinth seeing the archaeological sites and learning a great deal about the ancient myths associated with them.

Among the highlights were the opportunities the boys had to run races on the track at Olympia where the Olympic games originated in 776 BC and to test the astonishing acoustics in the theatre at Epidauros.



The sun shone nearly all the time we were there, we enjoyed the Greek food and greatly appreciated the knowledge and enthusiasm of our Greek guide, Maria.'

Judo

A reminder that there will not be any Judo this term. Judo Club will restart in the Autumn Term, when the mat fees will be £4 per session.



Rugby Trip to Paris

QEH Under 13 and Under 14 rugby squads recently returned from yet another successful Rugby Trip to Disneyland Paris. Both squads played some excellent rugby, culminating in the Under 13s winning the Shield and Under 14s finishing 4th in the Cup. More impressively, two QEH boys picked up the 'Player of the Tournament' awards for their respective age groups: Henry Edwards in the Under 13s and Esher Pegrum in the Under 14s – a fantastic achievement.



The boys also enjoyed plenty of freetime inside Disneyland and Walt Disney Studios as well as the experience of cooking their own evening meals inside their own self-contained cabins (with mixed success!).



Results

Under 13 - Shield Winners

The team had convincing wins against Woodcote and Hitchin.

Under 14 - 4th place in Cup

Narrow losses to Judd 7-10 and Manchester Grammar School 10-0

U13 - Player of the Tournament

Awarded to Henry Edwards

U14 - Player of the Tournament

Awarded to Esher Pegrum

National Schools Cross-Country

Congratulations to Zach Tobias on finishing 12th in the National Schools Cross-Country at the end of last term.

Music Exams

The following boys are to be congratulated on passing their music exams taken last term:-

Edgar Thornton – grade 1 trumpet
Max Evers Maxa - grade 3 trumpet
Ollie Sampson - grade 3 jazz saxophone
Hector Leach-Clay - grade 3 guitar with merit
Kieran Hyland - grade 4 guitar with merit
Arron Francis - grade 5 Jazz Saxophone
Jack Millar - grade 5 jazz saxophone
Leo Miller - grade 5 trumpet
Will Holdsworth – grade 5 - jazz saxophone with distinction
Fred Batstone – grade 5 – Music Theory with merit
Michael Sole – grade 5 – Music Theory with distinction
Luke Parker – grade 6 - singing with merit
Matt Ewing – grade 7 – piano
Ed Jackson – grade 7 – jazz saxophone with merit
Ollie Lindsay – grade 7 – jazz saxophone with merit
Matt Cohen – grade 7 – jazz saxophone with distinction
George Bamber – grade 8 – singing with distinction

ESU Public Speaking Competition

Well done to George Bamber and Ali Roweth on their success in the ESU Public Speaking Competition.

Bristol Eisteddfod

Congratulations to Benedict McCaw on winning the Bristol Eisteddfod Instrumental Player's Cup.

Baseball Squad

Luke Looney has been invited to join the GB Junior Baseball Squad, for an international competition in the USA this summer. We congratulate Luke on this achievement and look forward to hearing about the team's performance.

Economics Competition

Well done to Scaef Berry, Jack O'Dea, Piers Pegrum and Jack Calway on becoming Regional Finalists in the Target 2.0 Economics Competition last term.

Gabblers of the Year

Congratulations to Ed Wren on beating 17 other finalists to win the 'Gabblers of the Year' Competition at the end of March.



Ed's winning speech on the subject of 'Multiple Choice' was made to an audience of 250 guests at the Bristol Hotel. For a full report click the following link:- <http://www.qehbristol.co.uk/news-story-468.html?newlistid=6>

Forthcoming events:-

Monday 9 May – Year 8 RS trip to Sikh Gurdwara
Monday 9 May – Football Dinner 7.00pm
Tuesday 10 May – Year 13 Physics Trip to Rolls-Royce
Thurs 12 May Year 9 Latin Trip to Caerwent and Caerleon
13-15 May Ten Tors Event – Dartmoor
Monday 16 May – Year 7 RS Trip to Bristol Cathedral
Tuesday 17 May – Leavers' Concert, 7.00pm in theatre – tickets available from school office.

Letters you should have received!!

Year 8 – RS trip to Sikh Gurdwara – Mr M Harris

Year 9 - Latin trip to Caerwent and Caerleon – Mr P Jones

Battlefields Trip



41 Year 9 boys visited the Battlefields of Ypres and the Somme on a four-day tour over the royal bank holiday weekend. Visits to mass cemeteries such as Tyne Cot (the largest British and Commonwealth cemetery in the world) the Menin Gate and the Passchendaele Museum were particular highlights.



The boys were lucky to be given a guided tour of the trench systems on the Somme at the Ulster Tower and see archaeologists at work.

We also visited a grave of Julius Peploe's relative, who was killed in action in the Somme area at the age of 23.



QEH boys also held an act of remembrance to the 39 boys and staff of QEH who were killed during the Great War at the Menin Gate.

Mr Murray thanks all the boys and staff who were involved for what was a momentous and special trip.



QEHS Midsummer Festival



This summer's production is a performance of a Glastonbury Festival inspired version of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* re-named the 'Midsummer Festival'. The original language remains, but it has been styled with a modern festival twist.

Performances will be on Wednesday 29, Thursday 30 June, and Friday 1 July at 7.30pm. Tickets will be available, after half term, from the school office: £5 for adults, £3 for concessions.

Ten Tors Event

Three QEHS teams will be taking part in the annual Ten Tors Event on Dartmoor next weekend. The teams will be leaving school at 8.00am on Friday, 13 May.

All parents are welcome to watch the boys walk back into Okehampton Camp on Sunday 15 May. It is a rewarding experience to see so many young people successfully complete these arduous routes.

Band reaches semi-final of national competition

Members of Omniabsence; Ed Wren, George Fletcher, Jack O'Dea and Chris Spear, successfully made their way through to the semi-final of Live and Unsigned Competition. They are now just one-step away from the final at the O2 in London.



For a full report click the following link:-
<http://www.qehbristol.co.uk/news-story-469.html?newslistid=6>

6th Form Tuscany Trip



Dr Dutton's Sixth Form Italian students did a five-day trip to Tuscany during the Easter Holiday.



Their starting point was Lucca, the birthplace of Puccini: highlights included cycling round the top of the city walls,

marvelling at the art and architecture of the church of San Michele, sampling ice cream and espresso



and mixing with the locals in the coffee bars, and soaking up the atmosphere in the Piazza Amfiteatro.

Full of culture (and pasta), they headed into the countryside for two days of walking through olive groves and vineyards near San Gimignano,



punctuated by stops for homemade pannini with fresh prosciutto and local pecorino (and much local commentary), visits to beautifully

preserved villages and castles, and views that stretched for miles in the gorgeous light of the Tuscan springtime.



Evenings were spent round the dinner table of our hosts, Riccardo and his family, who treated us to hours of fabulous home cooking.

Magnifico!

UK Intermediate Mathematical Challenge 2011

Congratulations to the following 23 boys who have achieved a score in the Intermediate Maths Challenge to put them in the top 6% and were awarded gold certificates.

Year 9

Carl Harper
Ben Phillips

Year 10

Joe Kesterton
Christian Holland
Andy Cameron
Huw Parry
Ben Horner
Callum Roberts
Jack Millar

Year 11

Max Ayrton
Jacob Warn
Declan Rouse
Tiff Andrews
Henry Hill
Tim Hodges
Oliver Lindsay
Matthew Tomson
Huxley Norman
Jack Loudon
Chris Woodman
Will Pearce
Joshua Hodgson

Gold and Best in School certificates to

Nathan Day. WRE

6th Form Volunteering Programme

The following boys were presented with certificates to mark their achievement of having completed more than 50 hours volunteering at special schools, churches, care homes and other establishments in the community:

Edward Parry 300 hours
Edward Wren 50 hours
Harry Wooldridge 50 hours
Nick Wray 50 hours
Usman Ahmed 50 hours
Matthew Thomas 50 hours
Harry Conquest 50 hours

Well done to you all.

Results of "The Lizzies"



Thanks to all those who made "The Lizzies" short film festival such a success. The audience was entertained with some outstanding entries!

Huge thanks also to our judges, Peter Lovering and Rich Warren, as well as our two professional QEH Sixth Form Presenters.

The results were made as follows:

Best Animation - Nicholas Lay for *Pirates*

Best Live Action Film - Maya Keeley (Red Maids') for *Burger King*

Best Story Line - Andreas Richardson & Alex Hemsley for *A Long Time Ago On An Island Far Away*

The Overall Winner of the 2011 "Lizzies" and the Young Film Maker of the Year award - Nicholas Lay for *Pirates*

Nicholas Lay's Film *Pirates* will be entered into the "International Film Festival of Wales 2012" and he will be invited to join the other film makers at the launch party.

Rugby Results

Congratulations to the 1st VII on winning the Bristol Schools 7's (cup) at the end of last term.

Bird's U12 won the House Invitation Shield – well done to all who competed.

Rugby 7's QEH Competitions:-

U12 – lost 2 matches

U13, U14, and U15 all winners (trophies) - with Sam Rees scoring 27 tries in 2 tournaments – a great achievement. The teams beat St. Katherine's, Clevedon and Katherine Lady Berkeley Schools.

Football Results

1st v Sidcot 3-3

2nd v Wells lost 5-4

