

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

## Weekly Bulletin #24

Please support our onsite safety by checking that your child has their lanyard and ID card everyday for school. All staff and students should be able to identify each other quickly to keep our site and each other safe. The colour of the lanyard helps identify the student's year group and the ID card is essential for staff to know names and for students to access all of our external doors, canteen payment and our printing systems. Lanyards and ID cards should be visible at all times whilst onsite. If necessary coats should be unzipped to show the lanyard, or the lanyard worn over the coat.

## Congratulations

A huge well done to Ben in Year 10 who has had a great start to the motor racing season and got his first podium finish this morning at Brands Hatch in the ACU Team Green Junior Cup & Senior 300 finishing 3rd overall, 2nd place junior and 32 on the grid. We are thrilled to watch the development of this budding champion.



## Dance & Drama visit Norbury Primary School



Dance & Drama's Miss Hambly visited Norbury Primary School this week and had a great morning delivering a curriculum-based dance workshop on Anglo Saxons to Year 4 and 5. They really enjoyed it and have already emailed back thanks and appreciation. Wonderful to be visiting primary schools again, over 2 years of not being able to deliver this aspect of workshops due to Covid.



## Sports Fixtures

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> we took 3 teams to De Ferrers Academy for friendly netball fixtures.

Year 9 won 32-2 (star player Freya H)

Year 8 won 24-1 (star player Jess B)

Year 7 12-0 (star player Connie H)



On 15<sup>th</sup> February we took 4 teams to Highfields school to compete in the Derbyshire Dales sports hall athletics competition, where they took part in several track and field events.

Results:

Year 7 Girls - 1st

Year 7 boys - 2nd

Year 8 girls - 1st

Year 8 boys - 2nd

Both girls teams have now qualified for the county round and will represent the Derbyshire Dales on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April at Derby University.

This week the PE team led House Matches for Year 7,9 & 10 - football for the boys and netball for the girls. Results below:

Year 7 Girls: Boothby – Hull – Cokayne – Spalden

Year 7 Boys: Hull – Spalden – Cokayne – Boothby

Year 9 Girls: Hull – Cokayne – Boothby – Spalden

Year 9 Boys: Cokayne – Spalden – Hull – Boothby

Year 10 Girls: Cokayne – Hull – Boothby – Spalden

Year 10 Boys: Boothby – Spalden – Hull – Cokayne



Well done to everyone who took part!





Year 8 football team won 5-0 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the County Cup! Fantastic work rate and performance! Goals from Sammy W (3) Taylor B and Alec S. Player of the match Fin W.



First time at Indoor Cricket for the Year 9s at the Lady Tavers Indoor Area Finals. Tough opposition- Well battled girls! Summer cricket here we come!



Last week, Year 8 A and B football teams played John Taylor Free School. The A-team lost and the B-team drew, but great attitude and effort were shown from all the QEGS students in both teams and it was really pleasing that it gave some students the opportunity to play in their first ever game of competitive football. The Year 7 and Year 8 girls played West Park in the County Indoor Cricket competition, for a place in the finals. Despite putting on a really good fielding performance, they were unable to score enough runs to take the win. The Year 9 boys basketball team beat John Port, in the semi-final of the County Cup, with a fantastic performance. They now have the chance to emulate the Year 9 girls, by becoming County Champions, if they can win in the final against St John Houghton on 31<sup>st</sup> March.



All future netball fixtures and results can be found on QEGS pe Instagram @qegs\_pe

***All students are welcome to take part in all clubs for their year group. The emphasis of all of the PE co-curricular clubs is to provide opportunities for QEGS students to increase their physical activity levels in a fun, safe environment, whilst also developing new skills. Please encourage your child to give one of the clubs a try, especially if they do not currently take part.***

### **ParentPay**

Please could you ensure your child has sufficient funds in their account when purchasing school meals.

### **Sixth Form Update**

Next week Year 13 will be sitting mock exams to give them additional practice and insight into what they need to do to prepare for their external exams in May/June. Students will be asked to confirm that we have the correct details for certificates and will then be given their individual exam timetable before the Easter break.

**The Year 13 leaving date will be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022.** There will be a celebration event in the Sixth Form Centre; the details will be confirmed nearer the time.

Some students studying BTEC qualifications may be required in school beyond that date in order to complete assignments. Their teachers will advise.

**Year 13 Prom will be on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June;** our Student Council events team are on top of all the organisation and will publish details nearer the time.

Year 12 are researching work experience opportunities for w/c 18<sup>th</sup> July. If you are a local employer who would be willing to provide this essential experience to a Year 12 student, please get in touch with the Sixth Form office.

### **Online Safety**

Have you heard about Wordle? It is a very simple game which has grown to be very popular over the last few months. In the main it is a very safe game but with the rise in popularity it is important to be aware of the dangers posed by its growing number of imitators. Internet Matters have written an informative, relatively short article, which you can find [here](#).

An increasing number of our students are talking about getting involved with Non Fungible Tokens (NFTs) and crypto currency. If you are struggling to know your NFTs from your crypto currency, or indeed, would like to find out what they are, have a read of [this blog article](#) that will help.

### **Finally**

We have recently welcomed back from maternity leave, Katie Starkie (Assistant Headteacher) and Louise Allen (Assistant Headteacher), great to have them back!

Yours faithfully



Mr S Garrity  
**Headteacher**