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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

Weekly Bulletin #34

Unfortunately, I am writing this week's bulletin from home having caught Covid in the last few days. We currently have 4 staff absent with Covid and we want to help ensure that all of the good work to keep everyone safe so far is not in vain. Please remind your child to sanitise regularly (sanitizer is in all classrooms and on corridors), if they wish to wear a face covering to feel more comfortable and safer then they should do so (face coverings are also freely available in school) and to maintain a safe social distance particularly at break and lunch is always well advised too.

Parent Governor Vacancy

The QEGS Local Governing Body will have a vacancy for a Parent Governor from September 2022. If you are interested in the role, please refer to the letter and application form sent out on 9th June. Clerk to the Governors, Mrs Bramwell can be contacted via enquiries@qegs.email if you would like further information on the role.

DoF Qualifying Expedition.... Well Done Everyone!!

A huge **thank you** and **well done** to all the Year 9 Bronze and Year 10 Silver students who were absolutely fantastic during their qualifying expedition over the weekend! All participants have passed their expedition section 😊 Well done everyone!!

It was a real privilege to take all of the students out and they should be very proud of their efforts! Thank you also to all parents/carers that have supported our students (from drop offs/picks ups organising correct equipment etc). Without your support, we could not run these programs, so a big thank you! Another huge thank you to QEGS staff members who volunteered their time to come and support our students; Mrs Wright, Mr Bembridge, Mr Pellet, Mrs James and Mrs Allen!

All parents/carers should now have received a letter with 'What to do next' in terms of equipment and finishing the award. Please email Ms Watson Jones if you have any questions; Watson-jones@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

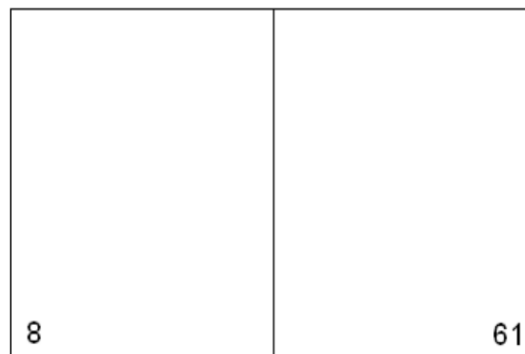


Maths Problem of the Week.

Thank you to everyone who submitted their solutions for last week's problem- the winner was Iraj R in year 9, well done! Please come to 530 to collect your prize.

Please send all solutions to this week's problem to statham@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk Good luck!

Here is a sheet of a newspaper.
Each sheet has four pages.
How many sheets are there altogether?



Reading Warrior Rewards

Congratulations to the following students who won and collected a £10 National Book Token in the Reading Warrior Merits Prize Draw:

OLIVER K, Yr7	RORY N, Yr8	HANNAH B, Yr8	IZZY H, Yr10
RUBY M, Yr7	EMMA H, Yr8	HEATHER S, Yr9	
ANNABEL W, Yr8	WILL G, Yr8	ANNA M, Yr9	

Sixth Form Update

Year 12 have been doing their Progress exams this week, a chance to review their learning over the course of the year and the effectiveness of their revision and study practices. We have been impressed with their concentration and behaviour over the week. It has also been good practice in exam etiquette. They will receive feedback and results over the coming weeks and we hope these will act as a springboard as they begin to consider their pathway after Sixth Form.



Reminder to Art Students in Year 11, 12 & 13

Just a quick reminder that the School Art Exhibition is racing towards us, setup will begin next Tuesday 21st June and the takedown will be the following Monday 27th June. This is a great opportunity to showcase your work to the school, your family and the public and we can't wait to see all your work on display! We hope you really get stuck in and enjoy the exhibition process.

We are hosting our annual Art and Creative Digital Media Exhibition next week in the main hall, starting with a Private View evening on 6-8pm Thursday 23rd and the Public View on 10am-2pm Saturday 25th June. We really hope you have chance to call in and see the exceptional standard of work produced by our Year 11, 12 and 13 students!

Athletics Track and Field

It was the first time QEGS had all 4 teams qualify for the track & field 'A' finals at Moorways. The conditions were hot and sticky but every single competitor gave their all.

We had some PB's and all teams scored more points than the last round which is a fantastic achievement.

Results:

Junior boys- 7th

Junior Girls- 1st

Inter Girls- 5th

Inter Boys- 1st

Both Inter boys and Junior Girls are through to the National Finals in Oxfordshire. Well done!



Success

Dylan Saleni has won a silver medal in the Bristol Boxing Cup last weekend – well done Dylan!



Travelling on Derbyshire School Transport

Thank you to students, who pay correctly for each journey on the school bus routes. Unfortunately, reports from some bus drivers recently that some students not eligible for a bus pass, are trying to travel without paying £1 per journey to the bus driver on Derbyshire School routes. Failure to do so may mean travel is refused that day and/or for longer periods.

Students with a bus pass, should make sure their pass is clearly visible to the driver along with the route number (no stickers covering). Using a bus pass issued to another student or lending your bus pass to another student may result in your pass being withdrawn by Derbyshire School Transport.

If you have lost your bus pass, please speak to Student Services to order a new one (£5) and you will be issued with a temporary pass.

Public bus routes require students to pay the bus service's regular fare unless a bus pass has been issued for the route. A B-Line card can be used for travel discount on routes.

If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals or you feel financially you will not be able to meet the full costs of travel, please contact Mrs K Starkie, Assistant Headteacher and our Pupil Premium lead via email starkiek@qegs.email to see if assistance is available.

Finally

Today we have been saying farewell to our Year 11 students. They have overcome so many challenges in the last few years. However, we have lots of fond memories throughout their time at QEGS. We have been digging deep in our memories and the students and staff have had a musical and group celebration in the hall, with lots of photographs of their time at QEGS, speeches and awards, thank you messages and the obligatory signing of shirts! On June 30th Year 11 students will also enjoy a BBQ and mini 'festival' afternoon to mark the end of their exams and to celebrate the start of their next journey. Thank you Year 11 students and QEGS staff, hope you had a lovely day!





Good luck Year 11, enjoy life, be a good person and explore the world!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Garrity'.

Mr S Garrity
Headteacher