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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

Weekly Bulletin #16

Uniform

It has been lovely to see all students back in full uniform this week. Thank you to parents for the ongoing support in ensuring our uniform standards are excellent. Days where a sports kit is required, students should bring this in their school bag in all cases. If there are any affordability issues around kit or uniform, please contact reception. We have lots of empty lockers available for students to use if carrying lots of kit is a challenge, please speak to your Form Tutor about lockers. Pop up uniform shop dates are below. A reminder about our uniform expectations for Years 7-11 can be found here <https://www.queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/school-uniform/>

Year 9 Options

We hope our Year 9 parents found the Options Evening useful and informative. See the **Key Dates list below** for the Year 9 Options key events and deadlines.

To further assist them we are running a workshop on 18th January for all Year 9 students on 'Making Decisions'. This is being delivered by HEPP (Higher Education Progression Partnership) from Sheffield Hallam University. As well as assisting them with their decision making the sessions will seek to raise aspirations by informing them of the benefits of higher education.

If students still have queries about the subjects on offer, please encourage them to go and see the teachers of these subjects to enquire.

Core IT/Computing Skills

For the remainder of this year, Year 10 and 11 students will take part in a rolling programme of Core ICT/Computing skills lessons during their personal development option slot. For Year 11 this will be once per half term (Friday A P4), and for Year 10 once per term (Wednesday B P5). They will be developing their capability, creativity and knowledge in computer science, digital media and information technology.

Students will be told in notices when and where their lesson will take place. We hope they enjoy the new challenge and find it useful to support their current subjects and their future study and careers.

Science Wrap-Around Learning For Success Year Group Booklets

QEGS Science Department has produced Year 7-11 Wrap-Around Learning for Success booklets which aim to provide you on the home-front with the background details of what will be taught in this subject over each term, the approximate timings of any assessments, topic areas which would be included on such assessments and the provision of relevant revision resources that can be readily accessed free of charge from home at any time. The link to access these on the school website is: [qegs.link/sciwraparound](https://www.qegs.link/sciwraparound)

We hope you find them useful.

QEGSMAT Vacancies

Please keep an eye on our vacancies at QEGS and within the trust: <https://www.qegsmat.com/current-vacancies/>

Maths Problem of the Week:

The solution to the problem before Christmas was: Dasher spends £120, Prancer spends £240, and Cupid spends £360. Well done to this week's winner Sophie S in Year 8- please come to room 321 to collect your prize!

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This week's problem is:

A girl, boy and dog are walking down the road together.

The boy walks at 5km/h and is just behind the girl who walks at 6km/h.

The dog runs from boy to girl and back again with a constant speed of 10km/h. The dog does not slow down to turn. How far does the dog travel in 1 hour?

To be in with a chance of a prize, please email answers to statham@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Sixth Form Update

We wish all our students all the very best for 2023.

A reminder that the sixth form dress code is not optional, we expect all of our students to be smart and ready for a day of learning. The dress code details can be found here <https://www.queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk/sixth-form/#1554732830215-8ac96c2f-60f1>

Year 13 and Year 12 have a busy start to the year as they begin a period of exams. Many of our BTEC students are undertaking their external exams this week and we wish them the very best of luck.

Year 13 Mocks - 16th-20th January, in the Sports Hall

Year 12 Mocks - 23rd-27th January, in the Sixth Form Centre

All students with parental permission will be on study leave during their exam week; students without parental permission must be in school for the whole week.

Canteen School Meals

Next week's canteen menu is the following:-

Week A

<https://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk/media/1964268/week-1-qegs.pdf>

The Meal Deal is the best value for those eligible for free school meals.

Upcoming Key Dates This Term:

- 16th – 27th January – Year 12/13 mock exams
- 18th January – Year 9 worksop 'Making Decisions'
- 20th January – Year 7,8 & 9 flu vaccinations
- 24th January – Year 9 TDP & Men ACWY Vaccinations
- 25th January – Year 10 trip – Chesterfield College
- 27th January – Year 9 Options online form opens
- 1st February – Pop up uniform shop on site
- 2nd February – Year 12 Btec Sport and Exercise trip – Derby University
- 10th February – Year 9 Options online form closes
- 12th February – Year 12 PCE
- 17th February – Last day of term

Finally

Mr Amps (Deputy Head) and I have led year group assemblies this week focusing on the 3Rs (Respect, Responsibility and Ready to Achieve). Our key message is around 'Respect' and our zero tolerance approach towards being respectful towards each other, including staff. We have explained to students that we will not accept disrespectful behaviour in any form and sanctions will follow for those who choose to ignore or refuse this. Equally, we are fully committed to rewarding and acknowledging those students who, day in day out, choose to do the right things, treating people with respect, being responsible and ready to achieve.

Yours faithfully



Mr S Garrity
Headteacher

