

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

## Weekly Bulletin #30

### King's Coronation

This week we have gone all 'red, white and blue' to celebrate the King's Coronation this weekend. We are flying our commemorative Coronation flag, lots of bunting has been on display around the site, students have had a special assembly and we have ordered our copy of the new King's portrait for our reception area.



### Headteacher's Weekly 'Well Done' Afternoon Tea

Each week Mr Garrity holds a 'Well Done' Afternoon Tea attended by students who have been nominated by their teachers. The last two weeks attendees are pictured below with 'well done' nominations from Maths, PE, Geography, Sports Leaders, MFL and many more areas of school life.



## Could You/Your Employer Support the Careers Fair on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023?

At QEGS we support every student to achieve their full potential and become a confident, resilient, and compassionate individual who can make a positive contribution to society.

With this in mind, school is keen to give our students information on opportunities available to them to shape their future choices and is holding a **Careers Fair on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023**, at school from 1pm to 7pm - with representatives from employers (apprenticeships, graduate schemes, general career opportunities) and further education providers for links to Post-16 opportunities (College and Higher). If employers and/or parents/carers are interested in supporting the event, please contact Mrs Bramwell via [enquiries@qegs.email](mailto:enquiries@qegs.email) for more information.

Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 students will visit the event during the afternoon and Year 10 students with parents/carers from 3.30pm to 7pm as part of their 'Countdown to Success' information evening.

## DofE Expeditions

Our Bronze and Silver expeditions will be happening next week! We will have just under 150 Year 9 and Year 10 students challenging themselves and developing their teamwork skills as they navigate their way through the Peak District! Seen here practicing their tent skills this week!

Updates on how the groups are getting on will be placed on **Twitter** - please use this as the main point of updated information for pick up times etc (and group calls will be sent out where necessary) (@QEGS\_DofE).



## QEGS Curriculum Hub

A reminder that you can access information about your child's curriculum for each subject on our 'Curriculum Hub', including topics covered each half term, key skills and vocab, assessments, independent learning/wider reading and careers links.

<https://content.qegsmat.com/curriculum/curriculum.php?sch=1&sub=30>

Feedback is always welcome, so do let us know what you think, or if you have any questions.

## Times Tables Rockstars Competition!

We had a fantastic response to the TTRS competition for Year 7-9 – over 200,000 times tables questions were answered! The winning form group was 7B2- well done.

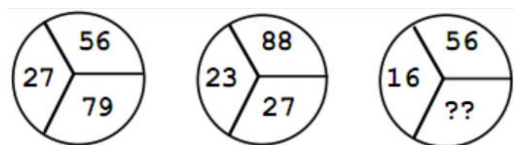
The house results were as follows... 4<sup>th</sup> place Hull, 3<sup>rd</sup> place Cockayne, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Spalden and 1<sup>st</sup> place Boothby. The individual winners were Isabella M in Year 9 in third place, Daniel M in Year 7 in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Sophie S in Year 8 in first place. Prizes and certificates will be handed out this week.

## Maths Problem of the Week

The answer to last week's problem is 28 and 21.

This week's problem is:

What is the missing number?



Send all entries to [statham@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:statham@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk) to be in with the chance of winning a prize!



## Derby County Football

Congratulations to Jack T in Year 11 for winning the 'Academy Player of the season'.



## Art Ambassadors

Great news! Our Year 12 Art Ambassadors Ellie B, Iona P, Hamish N, Lucy H and Imogen S have agreed to create the branding for the exciting Ashbourne Reborn project.

The students have already worked up a mood board after learning more about the £15m town centre transformation and studying architect drawings of how the scheme will look.

It is great to be involved in such a great project!



## Primary Culture Day

This week we welcomed Ashbourne Primary school into QEGS to experience lessons in Spanish, English, Maths and Design & Innovation exploring cultures and flags. They had a fantastic time especially in DI where they created and designed their own ornate elephants and writing poems inspired by Agard's *Flag* poem where they presented some to the class with beautiful tone and speech.

## Sixth Form Update

Congratulations to the following Year 12 students who have been appointed to the Student Council for 2023-24: Thomas R, Edward S, Amelia N, George I, Iona P, Emily W, Amber W, Annie W, Audrey N, Molly G, Phoebe C and Imogen S. They will be assisted by Emma G, Harriet P, James L, Izzy W, Grace C, and Sienna W-F. The Council's roles cover communications, community outreach, events, well-being, charities, student transitions from Year 11, environment and aesthetics, as well committee roles of secretary and treasurer. We are looking forward to seeing how they put their ideas into action in the life of the Sixth Form.

This year we have incorporated some First Aid into Year 13's PSHE programme and Mr Daughtry has delivered some First Aid lessons, covering the primary survey when arriving at the scene of an emergency, CPR and the Recovery position. We hope the students attending found it useful.

We have sent a letter to parents and carers of Year 13 students with information about Leaver's events and celebrations, exam reminders and final revision opportunities.



## QEGSMAT Vacancies

Please keep an eye on our vacancies at QEGS and within the trust. Further details can be found at:

<https://www.qegsmat.com/current-vacancies/>

At QEGS these include:

- **Clerk to Governors (part-time)**
- **Head of Maths**
- **Teacher of Maths**
- **Teacher of Design and Innovation**
- **PA to Headteacher (maternity)**
- **Teacher of Business and Economics**
- **Teacher of Science (maternity)**
- **Teacher of Spanish and French**

## Canteen School Meals

Next week's canteen menu is the following:-

Week B

<https://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk>

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

## Upcoming Key Dates This Term:

- 8<sup>th</sup> May – Bank holiday
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May – Silver Practice DofE expedition
- 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> – Bronze Practice DofE expedition
- 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year 13 Final Day Celebrations
- 15<sup>th</sup> May – 28<sup>th</sup> June – GCSEs
- 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> June – A levels
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 12 Digital Media – Pantene workshop
- 26<sup>th</sup> May – Primary arts day
- 26<sup>th</sup> May - Year 9 options confirmed
- 26<sup>th</sup> May – Last day of term



## Finally

**Reports** - This week we have provided all students with printed copies of their latest school reports. We used an extended tutor time to ensure students understand their estimated grades and can see how they are performing in each subject. We hope that this helps your discussions with your child and understanding the grades on GO 4 Schools.

If you have any questions about the reports, please contact your child's form tutor. For more general questions/issues accessing GO 4 Schools, please email Miss Ward [ward@qegs.email](mailto:ward@qegs.email)

In addition to our new Boothby building, Site Improvements around our school site continue. In addition to the amazing Science corridor wraps which were installed over Easter, yesterday these window wraps were installed, we hope you like them!



Have a great Bank Holiday weekend. There is lots going on in and around Ashbourne, hopefully the weather will hold off!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S Garrity', written in a cursive style.

Mr S Garrity  
**Headteacher**