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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

Weekly Bulletin #33

Year 9 Options

A reminder that Year 9 options confirmation emails were sent out at the end of last half term. There is a link in the email to confirm you have seen and are happy with these, and to add comments/questions. If you did not receive the email, please email enquiries@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk. For any questions about the options or to discuss your child's subjects, please contact Miss Ward ward@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Biology Challenge 2023

A huge 'well done' to all those students who took part in the inaugural Biology Challenge 2023. This was an international competition open to all students in Year 9 & 10, testing their biology and general science knowledge.

Over 43,685 students took part from 621 schools across the globe and we entered 27 students.

The medal boundaries were as follows:

Gold - 87% with only 5% of entrants gaining this medal Silver - 83% with only 10% of entrants gaining this medal Bronze - 80% with only 15% of entrants gaining this medal Highly Commended - 76% Commended - 73%

We had one Gold medal for Emma W, three Silvers for Belle N, Rory C and George M and seven Bronze medals for George P, Lauren W, Saffron M, Imogen P, Holly S, Heather S and Ewan M.

Highly Commended awards for Charlie P and commended for James S, Sam C, Rocco H, Julian H, Alastair D, Lucie P and Leo B.

Once again, a brilliant achievement for all involved.

Food Technology

This week our Year 10 GCSE students have been making doughnuts. They made an enriched dough which was then left to prove overnight and then shaped, deep fried to perfection and coated in sugar. Taste testing was an absolute must during this lesson, and we can confirm they were delicious!!!







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Design and Innovation

As the students have come to the end of their rotations in design and innovation, these are some of the projects they have made.





















Prom Attire Support

Mind Charity Shop in Ashbourne are holding a prom event. They have some brand new and nearly new beautiful prom dresses and suits, which are being offered to our students for £10 each on Wednesday 21st June 5pm – 6:30pm.

Maths Problem of the Week

This week's winner with an answer of 21200 is Penny T in Year 7, well done! Please come to 321 to collect your prize.

This week's problem is:

6 coins make the shape in the diagram, and form 3 identical equilateral triangles as shown with the dotted lines. Rearrange the coins into another shape with 3 equilateral triangles, each with a different size. You may only change the position of 1 coin at a time, and its new position must touch at least 2 other coins.

How many moves are needed?

U14 Girls County Cup Final

The U14 Girls battled until the final whistle in the County Cup Final against Wilsthorpe, conceding a goal in the last 20 minutes of the game which was hard to take especially in the heat and with tired legs. The game finished 1-0 but the girls gave their all until the final whistle and played some great football. POM Taylor for never giving up and battling for every ball. Well done girls we are so proud of you.

U16 Girls County Cup Final

The U16's were outstanding in their game especially in the first half where they went 2-0 up with goals from Bella and Phoebe. In the second half Wilsthorpe came out strong scoring two goals, then their keeper kept the game to a 2-2 draw with some world class saves. The game then went to penalties which finished 4-4 so on to sudden death where we finished second. Penalties are the worst way to decide a game.

Every player should hold their heads high as their performance was outstanding and they were definitely the stronger team. POM to Phoebe for her top-class performance.

I would just like to thank all of the supporters that came to watch, you really spurred the girls on in great spirits.

Two finals in quick concession for the QEGS girls is an amazing achievement and the fact we got to play both finals at Derby County's training ground was a dream to some of the girls. We are proud of you all and it goes to show how much girls football is progressing. Keep on shining girls. Bring on next season.





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:

- Teacher of Science
- Teacher of Spanish and French
- Deputy Head of Year
- Clerk to Governors
- Midday Supervisor

Canteen School Meals

Next week's canteen menu is the following:-

https://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk

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

Upcoming Key Dates This Term:

- 15th May 28th June GSCEs
- 15th 23rd June A levels
- 12th 16th June Year 12 Progress Exams
- 12th 16th June Year 10 Geography GCSE fieldtrips
- 15th June Year 11 Leavers Assembly
- 19th 21st June Sixth Form Personal Development Trip
- 20th June Year 4&5 Humanities Challenge
- 21st June World Music Day
- 22nd June Year 9 Sports Leaders Spring Lakes Trip
- 22nd June Art Exhibition Private Viewing
- 23rd June Sports Day
- 24th June Art Exhibition Public Viewing
- 26th June 30th June Year 10 Exams
- 26th June Year 8 & 9 HPV Vaccination
- 27th June Year 12 Biology Field Trip
- 27th June Year 12 Young Drivers Day
- 28th June Year 12 The Power of the Mind Presentation and Performance
- 28th June Year 11 Parents Sixth Form Information evening
- 29th June Year 11 Virtual Transition Day
- 29th June Music Summer Concert
- 30th June Reserve Sports Day
- 3rd 4th July Year 11 Transition
- 4th 6th July Year 6 Transition
- 4th July Year 6 Parents Evening
- 6th 14th June Litchfield Festival
- 6th July DofE Presentation 4:15pm hall
- 7th July Community Day
- 10th July 14th July Year 10 WOW week
- 10th 13th July Year 12 Geography Field Trip
- 11th July Year 10 Countdown to Success
- 12th July Award Ceremonies
- $17^{th} 22^{nd}$ July Year 10 and 12 Work Experience
- 17th 22nd July Year 8 Camping
- 17th 22nd July Year 7 9 end of academic year trips and activities
- 20th July Pop up uniform shop
- 21st July Last day of term
- 17th August A level results
- 17th August Pop up uniform shop
- 21st 25th August Year 6 summer school
- 24th August GCSE results
- 4th & 5th September Inset school open for staff only
- 6th September Year 7, 10 and 12 return to school
- 7th September Year 8, 9, 11 and 13 return to school



Finally

I feel that it has been a super first week back from the May half term break.

Well done to all those in Year 11 and Year 13 continuing with their exams, the last few approaching, and we are all very proud of the way in which you are approaching each and every one. As Mr Garrity has said in the bulletin previously, makes sure you rest, recover, and continue with your revision.

I also want to say a huge thank you to the staff on the DofE. It was lovely to see our students yesterday after their evening meal. Again, I was so pleased to see the camp and how well all our students were organising themselves and enjoying their experience; well done.

I hope everyone in our school community has a lovely weekend and has chance to enjoy what should be some warm and sunny weather.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Amps

Deputy Headteacher