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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

Headteacher: Mr S Garrity Chair of Governors: Mr C Smith

Weekly Bulletin #6

Biology

Year 13 Biologists worked hard on their aseptic technique to create lawn plates and investigate the effectiveness of different antibiotics. Very pleased to report that they were successful in only growing the intended bacteria, and no contamination seen! They then evaluated their results. Well done all.







Sport Update

The U14s boys' rugby team played in the second round of the Schools Sports Magazine National cup on Tuesday against a very well drilled Trent College. After a slow start the boys found themselves behind at half time by some margin, however, they rallied together and scored 26 points in the second half with tries from George D, and 3 fantastic tries by Isaac. Unfortunately, the margin was too big to claw back to get the win, but the team should be proud of their second half performance. MOTM – Isaac.





Both the U12 and U13 boys teams were drawn against Murray Park School in the ESFA National Cup. The U13s lost a tough game, but played with great effort and should be proud of their performance. The U12s won an exciting game on penalties after drawing 4-4 at full time. The game was played with a great spirit, we are really proud of the QEGS team for their resilience and determination, not giving up when it was looking like the result was going away from us, but most importantly, their attitude and behaviour at the end of the game, muting their excitement and being mindful of the other team's obvious disappointment.

The U14 and U16 boys rugby teams had games against Lady Manners School. Both teams lost, but it was a great opportunity for some students in both teams to play in their first ever rugby fixtures and they have since continued training, we look forward to seeing the teams grow and develop over this season.

The U16's played The National Academy in Hucknall in the National Cup this week beating them 2-1. A very intense game in the torrential rain, with Lucy B scoring the winning goal in the last minute of play.

Goals came from Phoebe and Lucy B. Well done girls.







Year 7 had their first ever netball fixture at Trent College on Wednesday, they unfortunately lost but played well, POM was Evie. The Year 8 team also played but lost narrowly 11-9, POM Liv.

Year 8 and Year 9 teams played Denstone College on Thursday. Results were Year 8 lost 14-11, POM Alice. Year 9 drew 19-19, POM Francesca.

The under 16 netball team travelled to Derby Arena on Wednesday to compete against 7 other teams. The girls had a great afternoon and cannot wait to return next year even stronger.



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/

Canteen School Meals

Next week's canteen menu is the following:-

Week 1: https://www.schoolmeals.derbyshire.gov.uk/site-elements/documents/week-1.pdf

Upcoming Key Dates This Term:

- 16th October Student Flu Vaccinations
- 16th October Year 11 Food Tech NEA 1 Exams
- 16th October Year 7,8 & 9 Tutor Evening
- 17th October Year 10 & 11 Tutor Evening
- 17th October A level Physics Alton Towers Trip
- 18th October Year 11 Food Tech NEA 1 Exams
- 23rd October Year 11 Food Tech NEA 1 Exams
- 24th October Year 11 Food Tech NEA 1 Exams
- 25th October Parent and Carer Coffee Morning 9:15-10:45 Boothby Campus
- 25th October Dance and Drama Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Theatre Trip
- 26th October Last Day of Term
- 27th October Inset (school open for staff only)



Finally

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our recent coffee mornings, 15 attended the first one on Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting; and 30 attended the second on SEND. Our third coffee morning will be on Wednesday 25th October 9.30am – 10.45am, at the Boothby Campus, focus will be on Student Rewards and Pastoral Care led by Mr Amps, Deputy Head. You can reserve a place via this link www.qegs.link/tickets

You may have seen our staff on duty in some new locations recently. In addition, tour Community Duty team who are out and about before and after school 5 days a week. We now have duty staff at the zebra crossing on The Green Road, in place every changeover, break and lunch to ensure that students can cross the road safely. Also, first thing in the morning on Cokayne Avenue outside Ashbourne Primary, again to ensure our students are arriving safely and on time for the start of the day at school.

We are committed to keeping our students safe both in and out of school. Please let us know if you do have any concerns and we will follow up ourselves and/or with the police and other agencies if necessary.

Yours faithfully

Scott Garrity

Headteacher