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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff

Weekly Bulletin #18

Mr Garrity's Afternoon Tea



Congratulations to the students nominated by their teachers for Afternoon Tea with Mr Garrity. Lots of tea, cake and 'skip the queue canteen passes'!



Year 9 Options

A reminder that the options form will open on Friday 26th January, and closes on 9th February. Students will access it via the intranet (they will need to be logged on) and can fill it in any time before the deadline, it is not first come, first served.

All of the information, including the prospectus, video and option blocks, are available on the website: www.qegs.link/ks4options

Year 11 Applications to QEGS Sixth Form

There is still time to apply to our Sixth Form and the application system remains live until Friday 9th February. Please use the link below to view our current prospectus and to research the wide range of courses we have to offer:

You can also scan the QR code below to watch a video explaining how to apply using the online application system.



Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Allen (Head of Sixth Form) or Mr Walker (Deputy Head of Sixth Form) if you have any queries.

Year 11 Hoodies

Reminder the deadline for purchasing leavers hoodies is 9th February via the School's In website www.schoolsinuniform.co.uk, under the Leavers Hoodies tab.

Well done to Year 11 for your fantastic behavior and conduct during the first week of mocks exams. We look forward to seeing you on Monday at 8:30 for breakfast.

Year 8 Camping Trip Update

Our expression of interest has now closed and all students who expressed an interest should now have the camping trip available to pay for on ParentPay. Deposits are needed by Wednesday 31st January. If you have paid the deposit your child will have a place and confirmation of place emails will be sent shortly.

We do currently have more camping spaces available. Please email Mrs Wright if your child would like one.

It should be a fantastic week in the Lake District, having fun and developing skills that will transfer to many other aspects of life. Within the price all transport, activities and food are included, as well as 24hr staffing by QEGS staff and also experienced instructors for all activities. Any questions please do email Mrs Wright:

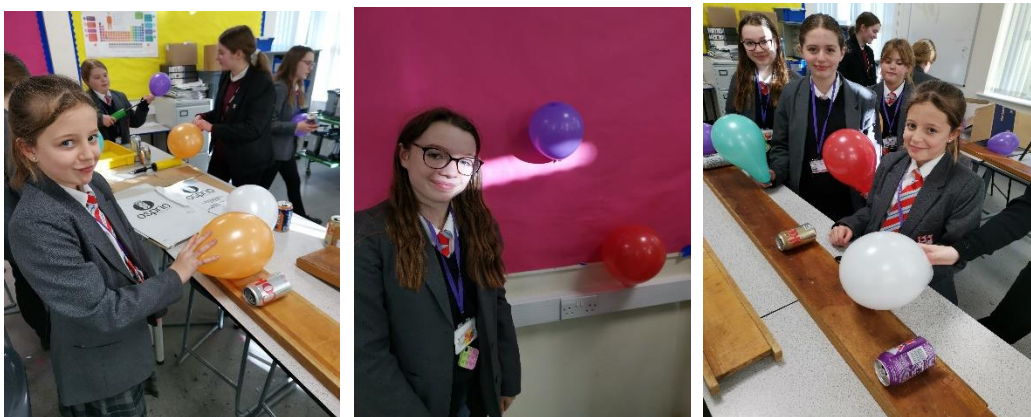
wright@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Silver DofE Update

All students signed up for Silver DofE should now be starting to think about their expedition! (practise expedition starts 8th May). Students should be organising themselves into groups by 31st January and letting Mrs Wright know.

Stem Club

Students enjoying investigating static and getting objects to move without touching them!



Sixth Form Updates

Our Year 13 students enjoyed the coffee cart (supplied by Delicious Coffee) on Tuesday this week, as a post exam treat. Well-done to all our BTEC and A-Level students who have had exams/mock exams, your hard work and positivity has been so impressive and great to see.

Year 12 A-Level mock exams will soon be upon us (w/c 26th February) and we will be supporting the students with advice, support and information around how to prepare over the coming weeks. Mrs Thrupp (our KS5 Learning Coach) has appointments available for any students who would like to access some individual/specific support with their study habits, revision techniques and how best to approach their Sixth Form studies. Please get in touch with Mrs Thrupp directly if you wish to refer a student or to find out more about her support thrupp@qegs.email

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/>

Upcoming Key Dates This Term:

- 22nd January – 2nd February – Year 11 mock exams
- 30th January – Year 9 Vaccinations
- 31st January – Intermediate Maths Challenge
- 5th, 6th, 7th and 9th February – Food Tech NEA2 exams
- 7th February – Uniform pop-up shop
- 8th February – Year 8 PCE
- 8th February – Artist in Residence Day – Years 10-13 - Art, Art Textiles and CDM students
- 9th February – Last day of term

Bridge The Gap - Events



FREE DROP-IN FOR PARENTS & CARERS
of children with **Neurodivergent** conditions or **SEND** (either diagnosed or undiagnosed)



Friday 9th February
10am - 12pm

For **parents and carers** to chat, offload, seek advice, and find out about support available to you and your family.

In partnership with **Neurohub** and **Family Hub**, two projects working to support families of children with neurodivergent conditions across the city.



45 Friar Gate
Derby
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Fundraising Cake Sale

Helps us raise funds for our community gardens whilst enjoying the welcoming space of Bridge the Gap!



45 Friar Gate, Derby DE1 1DA
SATURDAY 17TH FEB 10AM - 12PM

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>

PE Co-curricular

Please see the attached new co-curricular timetable for PE. There are lots of activities so do come and join in!

Finally

Thank you to students, parents/carers and staff for providing feedback and talking to the Ofsted team this week. Lead inspector Sally Wicken and her colleagues wanted to thank everyone for their kind hospitality. We are now awaiting the report and we are looking forward to sharing the details with the whole community.

Yours faithfully



Scott Garrity
Headteacher