



11<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

## QEGS Developments for September 2025

We are always looking to improve and develop our educational provision. Thank you for working with us when we make changes; your feedback has also informed many of the decisions we have made.

You will have seen this year the new Food Technology room and the recent renovation of the Design and Innovation block. In preparation for September, we will be making some further changes to improve our learning environments and to aid our routines and provision:

- The Art team will be relocating into the newly refurbished ground and first floor of the Design and Innovation block. The Art team will also gain a designated sixth form classroom in Boothby.
- History and Geography will be moving from Boothby to the main site and will occupy the classrooms vacated by Art on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the main teaching block.
- Boothby will become a predominantly sixth form space with classrooms devoted to quiet study and sixth form subjects.
- Except for Yr10-11 Business Studies lessons and Yrs7-11 PE lessons, Boothby will become the hub for our sixth form.
- All lunchtimes for Yrs7-11 will be on the main site using the main canteen. Boothby canteen will be exclusively for sixth form at lunchtime and will have a specific post-16 menu and new coffee machine!
- The sixth form common room will move from its current location to room 906 (a large central classroom). Designed by the sixth form council, this will be a space for sixth formers to relax/chat.
- We currently have a funding bid with Derbyshire County Council and hope to have a new Fitness Suite in place of the old sixth form common room. Designed by Mr Brown (PE), we hope to have a new state of the art fitness facility in the autumn term!
- Part of the current sixth form block will be devoted to small group provision and 1:1 learning within an Inclusion Centre for some of our Yr7-11 students.

## The School Day

We will also be making a minor adaptation to our current school day. We will be increasing form time by 10 minutes and decreasing 3 lessons by 5 minutes each. We will also be ending school 5 minutes earlier with this time pooled over each term to facilitate increased staff training and development time.

## The new school day for students will look as follows:

- 8.50am - 9.15am **Form Time**
- 9.20am - 10.30am **Period 1**
- 10.30am - 10.50am **Break A**
- 10.50am - 12.00pm **Period 2**
- 12.00 - 12.40pm **Lunch**
- 12.40pm - 1.50pm **Period 3**
- 1.50pm - 2.05pm **Break B**
- 2.05pm - 3.15pm **Period 4**

All school transport providers have been notified.

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch [enquiries@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk)

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'S Garrity', is positioned above the printed name.

Mr S Garrity  
**Headteacher**