

Year 7

Year 7 have made a fantastic start to what is sure to be another successful year group at Queensmead School.

It has also been encouraging to see a number of Year 7 students getting involved in activities as part of our varied extra curricular programme.

The Year 7 tutors and I have also been pleased to meet with a great number of parents at the Parent Information Evening and Tutor Evening, this support is really valued.

I am sure that the year group will continue to go from strength to strength.

Mr Walden
Head of Year 7



Congratulations to the following pupils for winning the first round of the Speak Out Challenge:

Billy Buckley
Joel Clarke
Melissa Foster
Toby Frith
Dylan Nathwani
Joe MacPherson
Selom Tedjame-Mortty
Grace Savage
Shiraz Vapiwala
Melanie Zadurian

Over the next couple of weeks we will be selecting two pupils to go through to the borough finals on 6th December.

We would also like to congratulate Hannah Ward who has been invited to judge this year's borough finals, following her success last year.

Mr Dufton
Gifted & Talented Co-ordinator

Year 11 visit to Westminster



On Saturday 8th October, two Year 11 students Ashleigh Dowman and Tom Brennan took part in SBTV's BattleFront Debate at Westminster's Parliamentary grounds.

The debate tackled key youth related issues such as authority and the ability for children to make change. The debate was recorded for the Channel 4 Battlefront programme, as well as SBTV's new five episode TV series which aired on Saturday 23rd October.

Key figures at the debate included Lib Dem MP Brian Paddick, David Cameron's youth advisor Shaun Bailey and the Managing Director of the Damilola Taylor Trust, Gary Trowsdale. The visit was a long day under some very hot television lighting, but the event was an extremely positive debate with a whole host of brilliant arguments put across.

Thank you to all involved including SBTV, and most importantly Ashleigh and Tom for such a great contribution to a very successful debate.

Mr Duncan
Business Studies Department

Science Club

Last week in science club we used microscopes.

Microscopes are used to magnify very small objects so we can get a closer look at them. The first thing we looked at were cells from an onion. We needed to peel the onion very thinly to place onto a slide. We then put iodine on the onion cells to make them more visible. We saw the onion cells under the microscope; they looked like an orange lizard skin.

We then looked at some already prepared slides of blood cells. It was interesting to see the difference between cells from plants and animals. It's amazing how a microscope can make images four hundred times bigger than they actually are.

Emilio El-Homssi

Year 7

Science Club is held after school on Thursdays from 3pm until 4pm.

Dr Bahar

Science Department

Post 16 Open Evening 24th November 7pm to 9pm

All students in Year 11 and their parents are warmly invited to attend the forthcoming Post 16 Open Evening.

This is a key event in ensuring that all students are given good advice about how they can progress into Post 16 Education.

We believe it will be valuable to all students, even if currently they are unsure of whether they will progress into Post 16 Education. We strongly urge all students and their parents to attend.

Please do come along to what is always an excellent and very well attended event and find out what courses are on offer for Post 16 students at Queensmead.

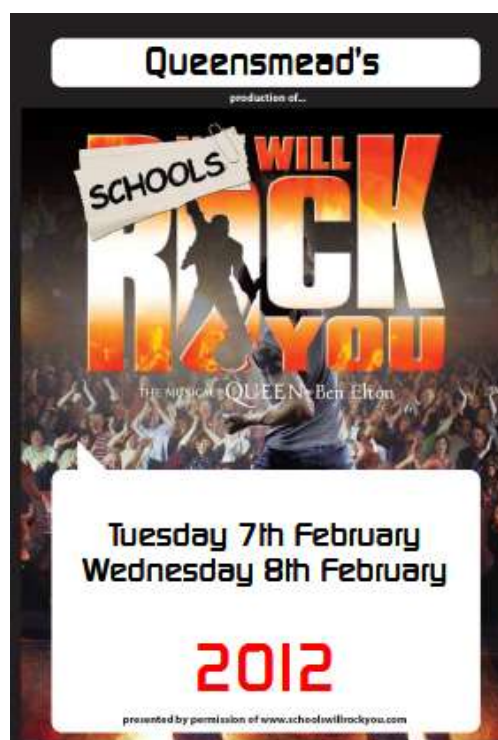
Miss Hardwick

Assistant Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Nov	Thur 10 th	Year 12 Tutor Evening
	Thur 17 th	QPT Quiz night 7pm-10pm
	Thur 24 th	Post 16 Open Evening 7pm-9pm
Dec	Thur 1 st	Year 13 Consultation Evening 5pm-8pm
	Thur 8 th	Year 11 Consultation Evening 5pm-8pm

Performing Arts



Rehearsals are under way for Queensmead's 2012 production of "Schools will Rock You". The musical was created with schools in mind by the makers of the West End show "We Will Rock You" in which the Queen songs and characters remain the same.

Over fifty students auditioned to take part in the musical from across all year groups, including many new faces from Year 7. Lead roles were awarded to sixth formers Amy Duffy, Ciara Costello and Lauren Beckwith.

You will be able to see a preview of the musical at this year's Winter Concert in December as well as a variety of other music and dance acts.

Miss Rowthorn

Head of Performing Arts

Diwali Celebrations at Queensmead

This year Diwali, also known as Divali was celebrated on 26th October. Diwali is known as the 'Festival of Lights' and it represents the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. It is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains all across the globe.



Display in the front foyer

The Religious Education Department at Queensmead School have created a Diwali display with the help of some enthusiastic Year 7 students. We also held a Diwali card marking session in Creative Craft Club on Thursday 20th October. In form time this week students have also learnt about the festival of Diwali and discussed what brings 'light' into our lives and our local community.



Diwali cards in Creative Craft Club



Diwali card design



Rangoli pattern



The Hindu Symbol Aum

PE

Congratulations to the Senior Netball Team who came a very creditable second place in the recent Hillingdon Borough Senior Netball Tournament held at Bishop Ramsey School.

The squad was made up from students in Years 13, 12 and 11:

Danielle Anderson

Katie Dhaliwal

Coral Lutteridge

Melissa McAndrew

Lindsey Price

Emma Reeder

Amy Ridgeway

Danielle Rosario

Rebecca Sutherland

Emma Wallace

Well done to them all.

Mrs Wallace

PE Department



The points for the boys and girls were combined and then additional points awarded for each player in each form.

Year 7 Interform Football

The tournament was keenly contested with all forms supplying a team. Most of the games were very close and the winners in the end were as follows:

Joint Winners

7d Boys

7b Girls

2nd Place

7a



Mr Edwards

PE Department

