

QEMS INSIDER

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Goodbye to our Year 11s

Year 11s sat in their very last assembly at QEMS and reminisced over their 5 years here. Many of them won awards, some serious, some very silly, and left with some inspirational words from Miss Jones and Mr Haddon.

This has been the most hardworking, dedicated and delightful group of students. They will be a well-remembered year group and missed by many of our staff.

We received a delicious cake from the parents of one of our Student Leaders as a token of their appreciation and thanks to staff. This was warmly welcomed by staff who have worked tirelessly to see students through this year. (Thank you!)

We wish Class of 2018 the best and we look forward to the Prom!



QEMS Dates for the Diary

Main external examination period begins Monday 14 May to Thursday 21 June 2018 for Year 11

- 18– 28 Jun Year 10 PPEs
- Fri 22 Jun Year 11 Prom
- Tue 3 Jul Sports Day
- 2–6 Jul Years 7, 8 and 9 PPEs
- Fri 6 Jul 100% attendance celebration event
- Thu 12 Jul Strawberry Prom
- 16-20 Jul Y10 Work Experience

External Dates for the Diary

- Sat 9 Jun Sir Robert Peel Summer Fayre
- Sat 30 Jun Millfield Summer Fete

Enrichment Week—Monday 16—Friday 20 July

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will be normal school days. On Thursday 19 July we have a number of exciting trips to sign up for.

On Friday 20 July we will have curriculum based activities in school and an early finish of 1.00 pm. Students will not be required to wear uniform on Thursday or Friday.

Trip forms and payments need to be returned by Friday 29 June. Places are on a first-come-first-served basis and do fill up quickly so a prompt return is essential.



Attendance

The whole school attendance to Friday 25 May 2018 is 94.7%

Year 7	94.8%	Year 8	95.0%
Year 9	94.3%	Year 10	94.0%
Year 11	95.3%		

Badminton Tournament



Kye N (Y11) beat Najib A (Y11) in the boys 2018 badminton tournament. Both boys had won the tournament before. Najib had won it in 2016 and Kye last year. Kye was able to defend his title with a 21-12 and 21-11 score line, 2 sets to nil. Well done boys.

The inaugural girls' competition will be completed in June.

Creative Competition

To mark the end of the centenary of the First World War, in partnership with Never Such Innocence, The Royal British Legion are running a creative competition, inviting young people aged between 9-16 years old to be a part of this historic moment

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/remembrance/ww1-centenary/thank-you/thank-you-creative-competition/>

A special well done to.....

Maths Star of the Week

Week ending 25 May—Dominik T, Year 8

Week ending 8 June—Sian B, Year 9



ABRSM Exams

Congratulations to the following students who successfully passed their Associated Board School of Music Exams on Saturday 5 May. They all worked extremely hard on three pieces, scales, a piece of sight reading and a series of aural tests.

Name	Instrument	Grade
Megan A	Clarinet	1
Emily S	Clarinet	1
Lucy T	Flute	2
Oliver B	Alto Saxophone	2
Mackenzie M	Alto Saxophone	2
Megan A	Piano	1
Leonie C	Clarinet	2
Jennifer J	Piano	1
James W	Trumpet	3
Ella-May T	Violin	3
Megan A	Violin	3

QUIZTACULAR!

15th June 7pm
Sixth Form Presentation Suite

In order to raise money for our school band's tour to Germany this Summer, we will be having a fundraising Quiz Night with a fish & chip supper on Friday June 15th 2018 at 7.00 pm.

Tickets cost £8.00 per person and can be purchased from Landau Forte Tamworth Sixth Form reception. This cost includes the entry to the quiz and the fish & chip supper. You are invited to bring your own drinks and snacks if you wish, but please be aware that alcoholic drinks are **not** permitted.

You will need a TEAM OF 6

We need to order the food in advance so when you book your tickets you will need to book your food.

Choice of food available:

Cod & Chips	Steak & Kidney Pie & Chips
Beef & Onion Pie & Chips	Chicken & Mushroom Pie & Chips
Roe, Sausage & chips	
Peas	Gravy
	Curry Sauce
Red and Brown Sauce will be available	

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Zell am See Skiing Trip

QEMS are teaming up with Landau Forte Academy Amington, enabling us the chance to offer our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students the opportunity to go skiing in Austria. The trip will take place between Friday 22 February and Friday 1 March 2019. The students will have 5 full nights' accommodation and board, full



equipment hire and 20 hours of skiing. The resort is Zell am See in Austria and we have reserved Hotel Fusch for the stay. The trip costs £745 and can be paid in instalments. Spaces are very limited, if you would like some more information you can collect a letter from QEMS reception or speak to Mr Price.

Forensic Psychologist Visit

Dr Helen Jellicoe visited to talk to Y9, Y12 and Y13 about careers in Psychology.

The students considered a range of case studies, and learned about treatment options.



This was an inspiring visit, and there are many budding Clinical and Forensic Psychologists!

Humanities Department Topic Book Box

The Humanities Department have recently created a topic book box from which students can borrow books relevant to the topic they are studying.

Our first box has books about the "Wicked" topic that Year 9s have been studying. It includes books on Stephen Lawrence, James Bulger and 9/11.

Students can choose a book from the topic box in RE3.

The next box that will be created will cover the Year 8 topic of slavery and civil rights.

Year 9 student Joe G says "It is great that we have got these books because we can learn more about the topic and it will be helpful if we want to go into a profession like the police".

Duke of Edinburgh

Our Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh students competed their qualifying expedition over Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 May. They walked for 21km (13 miles) over the two days carrying all the equipment they would need. The team have worked really hard to complete the expedition in very hot conditions yet they still all had a smile on their face! They now only need to work on their presentation to achieve the award. Well done to all!

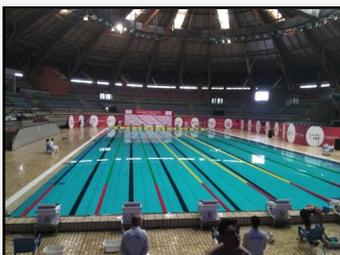


World School Games



We are extremely proud of one of our Year 11 students Sophie Y, who had a great time in Morocco representing the English Schools' Swimming Team for the World School Games. After 3 days of competitive swimming Sophie came away with 3 bronze medals for the 50m Fly, 50m Freestyle and 100m Girls' Relay. She celebrated her achievements at the closing ceremony in the city of Marrakesh.

We cannot wait to see how Sophie progresses in the future, QEMS will be supporting her all the way!



Tamworth Athletics Schools Championships

33 Year 8 – 10 students represented QEMS in the Tamworth Athletics Schools Championships in May. Of those students, 8 qualified for the County Schools Athletics Competition to represent Tamworth on Friday 9th June.

Students are: Emma P (Y8) – 200m and 300m, Amelia W (Y8) – Javelin, Erin B (Y8) – High Jump, Alyssa B (Y8) – Shot Putt, Connor T (Y9) – 1500M, Alice J (Y10) – Discus, Shot Putt and Hammer Throw, Eve C (Y11) – 300m and Leonie C (Y10 – Javelin).

Please join us in wishing all students good fortunes in such a fantastic opportunity.