



Annual George Eliot Junior School
Breakfast at QK
February 2008

On February 28th and 29th 2008, Year 11 Enrichment students from QK hosted the 4th Annual George Eliot Junior School Breakfast to promote the QK Breakfast Club, which runs daily from 8 – 9am.



The Year 11 students had been taught about:

- the dietary needs of young people
- the importance of healthy eating (including the 5-a-day campaign)
- the importance of breakfast for young people



The QK students welcomed George Eliot students, helped with serving breakfast and sat with small groups of students to talk about Healthy Eating whilst students were enjoying their breakfast. They also designed a questionnaire for the junior students to fill out upon their return to George Eliot. George Eliot staff and students enjoyed their breakfast and enjoyed hearing from the Year 11 students.



As part of our Extended School service at QK, George Eliot Junior School are welcome to use the QK diner for Breakfast Club each morning.

QK Welcomes

Liz Antoszkiw – Social Worker



Hi my name is Liz and since March 2008 I am the new social worker for QK. I work as a child protection social worker for Westminster Children and Families, for the Paddington Locality Children's Team, which is a long term family support team. I have worked on this team for 1 ½ years. Prior to this I worked as a child protection social worker for the London Borough of Islington.

I am originally from Australia and have been living in London for over 2 years; I initially came for a holiday but 2 years later I'm still here! I have worked in Australia as a social worker and have been a qualified social worker since 2004.

My role at the school relates to addressing any child protection concerns that may arise; as a liaison person between the school and the Westminster Local Authority. I am also available to meet with students and staff to discuss any issues of concern and to offer support/advice for students who may want to talk. I am interested in incorporating my social work skills within an educational realm. I am enthusiastic about meeting and working with students and look forward to developing my role at the school.

I will be at the school on Monday afternoons; as well as all day Thursday and Friday. I am based at the extended school office and can be contacted on 0207 722 8141 ext 167 or via email on

LASINI@qkschool.org.uk .

Police Cadets at QK



Trip to the Barbican. The Cadets were selling programmes for the Police concert

They worked with a selection of cadet units from around the area and had the opportunity to meet a number of young people from across the borough.

Over the Easter holidays a number of the cadets went on a week long camping trip to the New Forest where they began their practical training for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Students camped out in tents, cooked over open fires, attempted rock climbing, orienteering and many other exciting activities.



Easter Camp to Ferny's Croft, New Forest

UPDATE RE: QK PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP GROUP

What has the group been doing so far this year?

The group continues to meet every Monday between 10.00am and 12.00pm in the library. Alongside the usual discussions re: school issues and working on new computer skills, during December and January the group took part in a play writing project with Soho Theatre. This was a great way to share personal experiences of life in London as well as learning new writing skills. There was an incredible sense of achievement amongst the group when they produced their own short play scripts. The group were so inspired by play writing; we even studied Shakespeare's "King Lear" as a way of understanding how Shakespeare is taught at QK. The women all agreed that QK's teaching methods made Shakespeare easier to understand and thoroughly enjoyable. They are keen for us to look at another play in the future!

Since September we have seen some of our established members move onto exciting new ventures such as enrolling in college, getting a new job or doing volunteer work as a translator for their community. All of the women expressed their thanks to the group for helping to develop their skills and confidence enough to take on these new areas of personal learning and challenge. We wish them all very good luck and lots of future successes.

What's next for the group?

In the summer term we have a story teller coming to work with us on creating a QK story bank of short stories from different cultures and countries. These will be shared with students during our QK Community Week and a DVD collection is also planned to allow the stories to be enjoyed over and over again as part of the English curriculum.

We will be inviting new parents to join us. The parents of the new Year 7 students due to start at the school in September 2008 will all be offered a taster session before the summer holidays.