



# NEWS

Quintin Kynaston School

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## Message from Headteacher

“Brilliant” would be my summing up of the day when 15 London headteachers came to see what Quintin Kynaston had done with the sponsorship fund which it had received when it gained Specialist School Status. Stephanie Belrose, Director of Goldman Sachs Foundation came from New York to listen to students tell how they benefited from the injection of funds. Sir Cyril Taylor, Chair of Specialist School Trust accompanied her. He was hoping that Goldman Sachs would invest a further £1m in more schools, so we were proud he chose us as a model to emulate. We were very proud of the students who showed considerable presentation skills in front of their very important guests; well done to everyone involved including the students who showed our guests around and served refreshments.



For the full story on the Goldman Sachs visit see this week's edition of “The Wood and Vale”.

## World Book Day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Once again we will be celebrating World Book Day in the Library. On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March at lunchtime staff will be reading to students. There will be a raffle and book prizes. So come along.



**Fire your imagination**

WBD2003 Illustrations by Chris Riddell

All students in the school will receive a £1 Book Token.

These are a unique part of World Book Day in the UK and Ireland. They are designed to try to encourage children to choose a book of their own with the message that reading is for enjoyment as well as the basis of a good education.

## Drama Department News

Over half term, four Year 10 GCSE Drama students took part in National Theatre Workshops organised by the department. It involved working with professional actors, going on back stage tours and attending the theatre, all of which was free!! The students that took part: Christie Lewis, Joshua Mayers, Lee Gregori and Ahlam Ajjott all had a fantastic time and learnt loads. Well-done guys, nothing better than ambitious students!!

## Music Dept

Drum Lessons for Year 11 only to help prepare for GCSE exam

### **GCSE Coursework Deadlines**

2x Composition – April 10th

1x Solo – April 10th

1x Ensemble – April 10th

1x Integrated assignment – May 2<sup>nd</sup>

N.B. Evaluation exam – May 8<sup>th</sup>

## P.E. Fixtures

### Wednesday 5th March

Westminster Schools Tournaments

Year 7 Boys' Football from 10 am to 4 pm (J.White)

Year 7 Girls' Netball from 2 pm to 4pm (V.Kelly)

## QK Certificate Collection Event

All QK students who passed a GCSE, GCE, GNVQ, VCE or a Vocational exam can come to collect their Certificates in the Drama Centre on Tuesday 11th March 2003 between 3.45 pm and 4.45 pm.

## Chess Club

The Chess Club will start as soon as we have enough boards! So anyone out there who no longer needs their chessboard and pieces, please bring them in for Miss Stevens, so the battles can commence! Thanks.

## Drama Department Quiz

Prize for the first student who can make the most words out of the Drama word:

### **IMPROVISATION**

## Date To Remember

GCSE Science Module Tests are on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2003

## QK Stomp

Starts Monday 3<sup>d</sup> March in UG1 with Mohymen Razzak (Year 12). To be part of a drum spectacular come at 1 pm.

## **REMINDERS**

### Punctuality

Could I remind students and parents about the importance of ensuring your son/daughter arrives on time for registration, which is at 8.50 am. It is creating a habit that is preparing them properly for working life. Whichever career path they choose, all employers expect their employees to arrive on time.

### Absence Notes

Parents are reminded that if their child is absent for any reason, a phone call should be made to the school office, on extension 173. On your child's return please send a letter of explanation or write a note in their Student Diary. If an absence is not authorised (explained) we are legally obliged to contact you to seek authorisation. This will be done by telephone or letter. An absence not authorised by a note is therefore unauthorised and is counted as TRUANCY. Truancy will lead to school detention. All absences are recorded as truancy until authorised by home, school or the Education Welfare Officer. If you are concerned about your child's attendance contact their tutor on 020 7722 8141.

If you missed an issue of the *QK News* you may wish to catch up on important information by downloading a copy at [www.qkschool.org.uk](http://www.qkschool.org.uk)

### Late to School

If you arrive between 8.50 am and 9.10 am you MUST get registered in your registration class. If you fail to get signed in the Register, you must go to the REFERRAL ROOM to sign in. If you fail to sign in, your parents will be contacted by the school Office and informed that you are not in school.

### MAKE SURE YOU SIGN IN

### Uniform

ALL students MUST be in uniform.

**Years 8 to 11 must wear grey sweatshirts and blue polo shirts or blue schott jackets, blue polo shirts and blue trousers/skirt.**

BLACK TRAINERS ARE NOT PART OF SCHOOL UNIFORM.

REMEMBER

**No trainers of any colour**

**No jogging bottoms**

**No jewellery**

**No hats should be worn in school**

