

Message from Headteacher

After my special appeal last week to parents/guardians and students in which I urged tolerance and understanding towards each other with respect to current world events, I am immensely proud of all QK students and parents/guardians – for obviously reinforcing my message at home.



The disturbing world events which are unfolding daily before our eyes have thankfully not had any adverse effects on the harmonious daily school life which currently exists at QK – A HUGE



THANK YOU TO YOU ALL. We all hope there will be a swift end to the hostilities and our thoughts are with everyone who is directly or indirectly affected by events.

Congratulations to our very own Mr Ian Green who was assessed this week and successfully gained Advanced Skills Teacher Status. I am extremely pleased that the high quality of teaching enjoyed by your children at QK has been recognised in this way. Well done Ian!!

Now that the weather is improving please remind students that if they are coming to school without a coat or jacket, they must wear a school sweatshirt or school jacket. Tracksuit tops and t-shirts in all sorts of colours are creeping in and will be confiscated.

*Jo Shuter
Headteacher*

31st March 2003: Year 8 Target

To come to school fully prepared...to bring a diary, pens, pencils, a ruler and a rubber – all in a pencil case!

Dates to Remember

QK is closed on **Friday 11th April** (Inset Day)

Easter Holiday is from **Monday 14th April** to **Friday 25th April** inclusive.

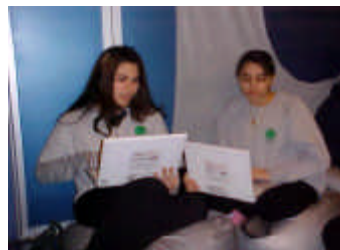
An Introduction to University Day

On Tuesday 18th March 2003, thirty Year 9 students had the opportunity to go to the Aim Higher University Awareness Day workshops at Ladbroke Grove. We all had a taster of university life. We were split into two groups, and the first activity my group took part in was to look at Universities and subjects available on www.ucas.co.uk

*Right: Terry
Izimba, Eileen
Cranch, Hind
Hammou, Tony
Hicks*



After break we went to the Aim Higher Roadshow and watched a video about higher education, which gives you more choices to do fantastic jobs. We each had a laptop with individual tasks on Higher Education choices and financing.



*Left: Yasaman
Samadianpour &
Munnar Reiad.*

After lunch we had student talks, where they told us about their courses, and we were able to ask questions. It was a useful day and we all would like to thank Ms Giarrusso, Nigel Gallimore, Mohamed Salim (12U) and Goran Obradovic (12N) for taking us.

*Right: Mohamed Salim &
Goran Obradovic*



by Eileen Cranch (9S)



MUSIC ROTA WEEK 5

QK SPORT

CRICKET TEAM AT LORD'S

The Year 7/8 Cricket Team had a very enjoyable tournament at Lord's Indoor Cricket School on Wednesday 19th March. A fantastic start saw QK beat Kingsland School 132 runs to 126 runs in their first game. The next game was the semi-final against Holland Park. Although equally as tight, unfortunately QK lost 90-82. All of the team contributed to an exciting day sponsored by the Lord's Taverners and the Middlesex Cricket Board who gave the school a bag of cricket equipment to help develop the game in school.



The Team at Lord's

In addition, Fouiz Khan (8Q) has been selected to train with the Middlesex under 13 team at Lord's and will be in line for selection for the team in the summer.

Well done to all the players and also to Paul Plumbly (9S) and Jason Rose (9N) for their coaching and encouragement of the team on the day. The team were definitely impressive in their blue one-day outfit and are looking forward to the outdoor season starting after Easter.

All cricketers should keep their eyes on the noticeboard outside the PE office for dates of trials and training.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

Athletics: all Years

Basketball: Years 7/8 Girls, Year 9 Girls, Years 10/11

Cricket: Year 7 Girls, Year 7 Boys

Football: Year 8 Girls

Check the noticeboard outside the PE office for details of training and be part of a QK team!

J.White
Director of PE and Sport

Drama Department

GCSE Year 11 Key Dates and Deadlines

2 weeks until Performance Exam and Course work deadline!

5 Weeks until Written Exam (40%!!!)

Monday to Thursday Lunchtimes available for rehearsals

Year 11 Exam Revision Classes

Extra GCSE Drama revision classes will be held after school on MONDAYS 3.30 – 4.30 pm

Year 10

Year 10 students performed their assessments after school this week to an audience. It was part of their acting assessment towards their GCSE. All groups that took part were creative and gave dynamic performances. Well Done!

Year 12 (AS) and Year 13 (A2) Theatre Studies

In the week of the 5th May students will be performing their exam pieces to an audience. It will cost £1 for students and £2 for adults. They are worth seeing. Details in *QK News* soon.

Theatre School and Film Auditions

Amanda Loader 11K and Ahlam Ajjott 10S got into *The Young Persons Theatre Company* this week after gruelling auditions and tough opposition. Arta Gula 11Q is also on as first reserve. They deserve this great opportunity and I would like to congratulate them on their achievement and wish them luck!

Arts Educational Acting Company

The Arts Ed Acting Company came into school last week to give our Drama GCSE and our Drama Club students a captivating performance called *Family Fortunes* based on an amalgamation of Shakespeare's plays. I found their performances very powerful and so did the students. There was a great opportunity for students to meet the cast after the show and ask questions too.

Drama Quiz

Fouzia Akhter (10S) won cinema vouchers for last week's Drama Quiz. Watch this space for another Drama Quiz.

Emma Stevens
Head of Drama

REMINDERS

Punctuality

Could we remind students, parents and guardians about the importance of ensuring your son/daughter/ward arrives on time for morning Registration which is at 8.50 am. It creates 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 and guardians are reminded that if their child is absent for any reason, they should phone the School Office on 020 7722 8141 ext. 173.

On your child's return please send a letter of explanation or write a note in their Student Diary. An absence which is not explained by a note is "unauthorised" and has to be counted as TRUANCY. We are legally obliged to contact parents and guardians to seek authorisation. This is done by telephone or letter.

All absences are recorded as truancy until authorised by home, school or the Education Welfare Officer. Truancy incurs a school detention.

If you are concerned about your child's attendance please contact their Tutor.

Late to School

Students arriving between 8.50 and 9.10 am MUST register in their Tutor Group. After 9.10 am students report to the REFERRAL ROOM on arrival and sign in. Parents and guardians are contacted about any student who is not in school (unless we already know the reason). So...

MAKE SURE YOU SIGN IN

Uniform

ALL students except the Sixth Form **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 to be worn in school

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Mondays 1.00-1.30 pm

Mondays 3.30-4.00 pm

Wednesdays 3.30-4.00 pm

If you have 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