



NEWS

Quintin Kynaston School

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Headteacher's Message

As we come to the end of another busy half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers, especially our new Year 7 families for the interest and support they have shown since the beginning of term and hope it continues throughout the year.

Following the success of our Open Evening and two Open Mornings last week, it is again anticipated that we will have a enormous number of applications for Year 7 next year. Many spoke with me and other members of staff after their tour of QK. The general opinion was of a positive nature regarding what we offer at QK in terms of teaching and learning, pastoral care and our excellent facilities. There was also much praise for our Prefects and students from all years who led visitors around the school.

Black History Month has been celebrated with many events over the last two weeks, including film showings, music performances, readings and general topics celebrating the achievements of black men and woman throughout history. Please come along to the Black History Month Show being organised by the Expressive Arts Faculty under the direction of Emma Stevens and her team: see opposite.

Jo Shuter

Ramadan Prayers

During the month of Ramadan, daily prayers at 1:10 pm will be held for boys and girls in the Drama Centre .

Osama Darwish

Black History Month

Cinema

The first film show is on Tuesday 11th in the Library at 1 pm. You need a ticket to get it so collect one from the Inclusion Department. There will be more shows over the coming weeks.

Quiz: Win £5

From Monday 20th we are running a quiz on Black History. Collect a quiz sheet from the Library. Return your answer sheet (don't forget to put your name and form!) to the box on the Library desk. Hint: the answers can be found by reading the information on the quiz sheets. Good Luck.

James Akinsowon

Another QK Victory

Tafara Anderson 9S, Ruma Begum and Mohammad Ahmed 9K beat Lylian Baylis School 25-2 in the quarter finals of the 100 Black Men Competition on Wednesday 12th October. At one stage QK was told that they was giving too much information! Their hard work is an inspiration to us all and has really paid off. Well done and good luck with the semi finals!

Catherine Anscorb

Celebration at QK

A great opportunity to see the talents of our students in a variety of performance activities. The Celebration includes singing, dancing, poems and readings by students. Tuesday 18th October 6-7 pm in the Drama Centre. Buy tickets (£1) from the Drama Office or on the door. Support your friends and family.

Emma Stevens

On Stage with Roll Deep

As we reported last week, Roll Deep came to QK to launch Black History Month. The full list of QK Sixtrh Form students who came on stage free-styling was: Duane Jean-Jacques, Fapa Njie, Sara Oujjat, Joshua Mayers and Mohammed Dejalassi. Shereena Friday (Year 11), Tayo Ramsey (Year 10) and Solomon Mendy (Year 9) also represented QK. Thanks and well done to all.

Year 11 Textiles Reminder

You should have purchased your patterns and fabrics by now. If not, please do so immediately as you are falling behind in your work. Both are available from John Lewis and Maccuallach (both near Oxford Circus). The fabric is also available from London markets. If there are any concerns please raise them with the DT office.

Anita McCormack and Haidee Wright

Year 10 Graphics

There are still a few places available if any Graphics students would like to go on a trip to the Design Museum on Monday 17th October. Anyone interested should contact Ellie Ridgeway asap.

Basketball

Year 9 girls played their first match of the season against Maria Fidelis Convent school. Despite marvellous shooting skills by Neda Ardehalli and Amy Ward and a strong defensive team, QK girls had a narrow loss (28-18) and are looking promising for the rest of the season.

Training: Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the Lower Gym.

The senior team (Year 10) have been perfecting their skills in the off season and their dominance on the court yesterday showed. It was a well balanced team effort with strong offence and a tight defence. Reeham Zachariah, Karla Angamara and Sarah Mumeni piled on the points quickly with Haneen Hammou, Patrice Mayers and Amy Ward strong in their defence. Well done girls. Result: Quintin Kynaston School 30, Maria Fidelis Convent School 13.



World Mental Health Day

On Monday 10th October we ran lunchtime activities in the Library on this year's theme: 'Looking after your mental health through physical activity across the lifespan'.

An interactive quiz with fruit prizes and a 'stepathon' were much enjoyed by students. Well done to Demi of 7Y who won with 180 steps in 60 seconds!!

But many QK students fell short of the target... so put down your Playstations and get active in order to have better physical and mental health!

Nahnou – Together

Sandra Archer's GCSE Year 10 Fine Art group is taking part with Adham Ismael Institute of Art in Damascus, Syria in the Connecting Futures programme organised by the British Council and Tate Britain.

The project targets young people 15-25 years of age aiming to broaden their international outlook and to develop a sense of global citizenship through an exploration of cultures.

In London the students have been working with the artist Henna Nadeem in after-school workshops on Mondays and have already visited the Tate Britain. There will be visits by four Syrian artists next week when students in Years 10-3 will have the opportunity to take part in practical workshops.

Work produced will be shared on a new website designed specifically for this project:

<http://www.nahnou-together.org/>

Dates to Remember

October

Monday 17th

- 9NKYS Trip to London Dungeon/Globe Theatre
- Trip to Design Museum

Tuesday 18th

- 9QUT Trip to London Dungeon/Globe Theatre
- Black History Month Celebration
- Trip to McBarley Sports Centre

Wednesday 19th

- Herts University of Hertfordshire

Thursday 20th

- Trip to Tate Britain
- Media Studies trip to Vue Cinema

Friday 21st

- Trip to Houses of Parliament

Monday 31st

- Return to School after Half-Term break
- Trip to Steiner Theatre, Baker St.

November

Wednesday 2nd

- Trip to Lyric Studio, Hammersmith

Monday 21st

- Trip to New London Theatre

Thursday 24th evening and Friday 25th

- Progress Reviews