

English Revision

Year 11 are currently revising for their GCSE mock (practice) exams this December. In addition to excellent attendance, class and homework, there are many ways they can revise:

- reread the novel *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck and make notes on revision cards on characters, themes and style
- reread at least 15 of the literature poems and Cluster 2 of the culture poems in their Poetry Anthology and practise planning essays by making notes on similarities and differences
- read quality broadsheet newspapers like *The Guardian*, *The Independent* and the *Observer* to develop advanced reading skills, and improve vocabulary and sentence structure
- use past papers to practise planning and writing in timed conditions a range of texts, e.g. formal letters, speeches, news articles, leaflets
- Study Club is on Mondays in L4C at 3.45- 4.45 pm with Ms Basra

Revision guides are available to purchase for Literature Poetry, Culture Poetry and *Of Mice and Men*.

If you wish to know more about the exams or to discuss your child's progress in English, please call or email their teacher.

A. Peduzzi, Head of English

Horticulture and Active Citizenship

On Tuesday 20th November the Year 10 Horticulture class, despite the poor weather conditions, spent the morning at Golders Hill Park planting 4,000 bluebell bulbs! This will help to turn a corner of the park into a beautiful area that is associated with the native woodland environment and give added enjoyment to those who use the park. In the spring we shall return to photograph the area we planted. We were also given some bulbs to plant at QK – so watch out for a splash of blue in the spring here as well!

Visit to Bloomberg

On Monday 19th November, 12 gifted and talented Year 11 economics students toured the prestigious building of the Bloomberg Company. This was particularly enjoyable as it provided students with extra insight into their career opportunities. The day started off with an economics-based trading game which was followed by the tour. Students also saw live business news broadcasts on Bloomberg TV. Overall the trip was a very enjoyable and a unique experience which was organised by Academy of Finance students Rahela Bibi, Ali Ahmetaj, Elias Razak and Selam Ibrahim.

Nathan De Garis

QK School Clubs

For a full list of QK's School Clubs please visit our website www.qkschool.org.uk

QK Library News

It's been busy as always in the Library these past few weeks – adding 100s of new books, subscribing to over 40 magazines and journals, literacy lessons and having Years 7 and 8 classes. We hosted the Anti Bullying postcard competition in collaboration with the Student Voice this week. Thank you to all those that took part.

Below are our top loans for Term 1 (September to November). Congratulations to Jacqueline Wilson who is number 1 for Key Stage 3 and Roald Dahl for Key Stage 4. Jacqueline Wilson has stayed in our top ten for over a year but Mary-Kate and Ashley are close behind.

If you haven't read any the top ten why not give them a try? If you have, come and read some of our new stock.

KS 3 Fiction Top 10

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| 1 | Best Friends | Wilson, Jacqueline |
| 2 | Two's A Crowd, Two of A Kind | Mary-Kate and Ashley |
| 3 | The Reptile Room | Snicket, Lemony |
| 4 | The Illustrated Mum | Wilson, Jacqueline |
| = | Bad Girls | Wilson, Jacqueline |
| 4 | The Austere Academy | Snicket, Lemony |
| 7 | Two of A Kind Diaries, PS Wish You Were Here | Mary-Kate and Ashley |
| = | The Heavenly Collection | Dalton, Annie |
| 9 | The Cool Club, Two of A Kind | Mary-Kate and Ashley |
| = | Two of A Kind Diaries, Winner Take All | Mary-Kate and Ashley |

KS3 Non Fiction Top 5

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| 1 | The Ruthless Romans | Deary, Terry |
| 2 | The Rotten Romans, | Deary, Terry |
| 3 | 1001 Cool School Yard Jokes | Singleton, Glen |
| 4 | 101 Cool Science Experiments | Singleton, Glen |
| 5 | KS3 Mathematics Revision Guide | Parsons, Richard |

KS4 & 5 Fiction Top 10

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| 1 | The Twits | Dahl, Roald |
| 2 | Beware the Bog Girl, Shivers 32 | Spenser, M.D. |
| 3 | Makeover Magic | McKain, Kelly |
| 4 | Clubbing Again | Pielichaty, Helena |
| 5 | Between You and Me | Clarke, Julia |
| = | The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me | Dahl, Roald |
| 7 | The Boy Who Lost His Face | Sachar, Louis |
| = | Chocolat | Harris, Joanne |
| 9 | Artemis Fowl the Eternity Code | Colfer, Eoin |
| 10 | Dragonkeeper | Wilkinson, Carole |

KS4 & 5 Non Fiction Top 5

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| 1 | GCSE Mathematics: Revision and Practice | Rayner, D. |
| 2 | GCSE Business Studies | Anderton, Alain |
| 3 | Book of Magic | Nightingale, Hugh |
| 4 | A Hostage to War | Vasil'eva, Tat'iana |
| 5 | Revise for Mechanics 1 | Hebborn, John |

Dates to Remember

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| Wednesday 28 th November | 6f Options Evening |
| Monday 10 th December | Years 11-13 Mock Exams start |
| Thursday 20 th December | Term 2 ends |
| Tuesday 8 th January | Term 3 starts |

Students of the Week

Congratulations to

- 7S Kemal Hondus for being more settled and following class rules
- 7K Leart Hoxha for being an excellent student and working hard
- 7T Aladdin Abalgani for always following instructions
- 7U Safa Lachhab - very polite and helpful
- 7I Dante Lashley for making a huge effort
- 7N Noor Sharif for working quietly and excellent time keeping
- 7Q Asma Mikhaimer for consistently working to the best of her ability
- 7Y Emran Ahmed for an improved attitude to learning in many subjects
- 8Q Ellie O'Donnell – excellent behaviour and always helpful
- 8U Rohit Syed-Hasan for always setting an excellent example
- 8T Denzil Kessie for being kind and helpful
- 8K Sara Nasr for an improvement in behaviour and attitude
- 8Y Jeton Armetaj for being hard working in all lessons
- 8N Ali Al-Jaweheri for always being co-operative and kind
- 8S Batol Daher for her excellent attitude to learning
- 9Q Heidi Makolli for improved behaviour
- 9U Iffathara Jannath for being consistently brilliant all year
- 9T Cliff Mpaka for improved punctuality and uniform
- 9N Salah Uddin for exemplary behaviour
- 9K Fatbardha Paci for improved effort in class
- 9Y Joseph Knight for always being on task and being a helpful member of the group
- 9S Mays Hammad for excellent, helpful behaviour
- 10N Ermela Hoha
- 10K Firas Younes
- 10Y Paige King
- 10S Holly may Dell
- 10Q Rhianna Spence
- 10U Rahat Hussain
- 10T Taslima Akther
- 11Q Amina Begum
- 11U Hussain Hameid
- 11T Eduardo Monteiro
- 11N Alma Mehmetaj
- 11K Lamrot Shiferaw
- 11Y Sameollah Yakrang
- 11S Ahmed Haidi

Learning Support Unit Student of the Week

Milo Charlesworth 8S for excellent behaviour and a successful start to his re-integration. We would all like to congratulate him for his brilliant effort and encourage him to keep up the good work!
from the LSU team

Subject Class of the Week goes to Ms Mitchen's Science Class

Debating Club is on!

Come to L2F at 3.45 pm on Monday to get your point across.

This week: 'The school leaving age should be raised to 18.' What do you think?

School Uniform

All students at QK are expected to arrive at school in correct uniform each day.

School Uniform consists of:

- Pale Blue QK Polo Shirt
- Navy Blue skirt or trousers
- Navy Blue high-necked zipped QK sweatshirt
- Navy Blue QK zip-up fleece

Students are not allowed to wear hats or caps or any non-uniform cardigans or jackets in school. Students who continue to wear non-uniform items to school will have them confiscated by staff and the items will be returned at half-term or when parents make an appointment with their child's Director of Learning to collect them.

Headscarves should be navy blue or black only

PE Kit consists of:

- White QK PE T-Shirt
- Navy Blue Shorts
- Gym shoes or trainers

Any student not wearing the compulsory correct school uniform will either be sent home to change, or sent to the Referral Room for the day.

Thought for the Week

"Who you are speaks so loudly I can't hear what you're saying."

– Ralph Waldo Emerson