



Jane Eyre We're so pleased to be opening our theatre doors to the public for the first time in two years next week! Click here to book your tickets

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Clapham South travelled back to the 80's, 90's and noughties on Thursday. With bright colours, leg warmers and a Spice Girls soundtrack, the pupils socialised, danced and participated in the House Quiz.



Clearing clutter in your home doesn't just give you more space – it can also improve your wellbeing. This weekend, why not put the Zen back in your home and organise your space the Marie Kondo way?



The Fountains of Silence by Ruta Sepetys. Madrid, 1957. Under

the dictatorship of General Francisco Franco, Spain is living

in silence. Meanwhile, tourists and foreign businessmen flood into the country under the welcoming promise of sunshine and wine. Among them is eighteen-year-old Daniel Matheson, the son of an oil tycoon, who arrives in Madrid with his parents hoping to connect with the country of his mother's birth through the lens of his camera.

Boarders trip to Hampton Court Palace

Year 11: 'Ace Your Exams' with Elevate Education

Junior Choir: Amazing Grace

Year 9 Religious Studies: 'Does God Exist?' with Rev Calvin Samuel

'Modest!' Management: open casting call for aspiring pop singers aged 15-19

## of Queenswood School. Click on the pink hyperlinks to read more. The Week in Chapel: The Reverend Calvin Samuel



On Wednesday, the leading theologian and Chair of the Methodist Independent School Trust, Reverend Calvin Samuel, visited Queenswood. Following a rousing and thought-provoking sermon to mark the feast of Candlemas, Revd Samuel led a seminar for Year 9 Religious Studies classes in the Theatre, and toured the campus to see the school in action.

### Year 11 English Mocks: Top-Performing Students Select Novel Prizes

Welcome to the latest digest of news, events and blog posts from the website



The English Department are pleased to announce that they have awarded book prizes to the students who achieved the highest marks in their class in the recent English Language and English Literature mock exams. The pupils chose their own prizes, and we will be publishing their views on their chosen novels in forthcoming issues of the newsletter.

### Hockey Scholar Sofia M Selected for GB Women's Elite Development Squad



Sofia M (Year 12) received the perfect 17th birthday present this week - a call-up to the GB Women's Elite Development Programme (EDP) Squad for the 2022 season! Since September 2017, the EDP has been nurturing players who have the potential to become medalwinning Olympians of the future.

#### Waller's Double Success at Inter-House Netball Competition



Many congratulations to Waller House, whose Netball teams romped to victory in both the Junior and Senior inter-house competitions last Friday. We'd like to thank everyone who represented their House – there was plenty of competitive spirit on display in Queenswood Hall and on the outdoor courts.

### Emma Poppleton OQ: Graduate Civil Engineer



In the latest in our series of reminiscences from recent leavers, Emma Poppleton (OQ.2016) reflects on how the advice and guidance she received in the Sixth Form at Q led to a First class degree at the University of Warwick and an exciting career in Engineering.

On Your Doorstep...



There's plenty going on in the local community this weekend - from the St Albans Vegan Market to a concert of Brahms' music by the Hertfordshire Philharmonia. Do let the newsletter team know if you are involved with any events that we can include in this feature. You can reach us at newsletter@queenswood.org.

### Queenswood Welcomes the Year of the Tiger



Queenswood celebrated the Lunar New Year on Tuesday with a sumptuous banquet of Chinese food, served in our festively decorated Dining Room. Earlier in the week, our pupils learned all about the Lunar New Year in Chapel from some of our international students, led by International Prefect, Elim.

#### Learning the Ancient Art of Beautiful Lettering Calligraphy Club

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Students have been working hard practising thin and thick strokes with their calligraphy pens and have already made amazing improvements within five weeks! Some have taken their skills to a new level with technology via Procreate.