



Wishing the very best of luck to our U13 and U15 Tennis teams, who are competing in the National Indoor Finals at Bolton Arena this weekend. Follow the action on the [QueenswoodSport](#) instagram feed.

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End of Term Arrangements



As we approach the end of the Autumn Term, there are a number of important changes to the daily routine. You can find a summary of these arrangements [here](#).

Weekend fun: Christmas movie night



If you fancy a cosy night in this weekend, you might like to watch a Christmas movie. Netflix have some

great films scheduled for December – timeless classics and some fun new offerings. So get jolly with the holly and enjoy our [Christmas movie](#) night suggestions!

This week I am reading...



[This Is What It Sounds Like](#) is a journey into the science and soul of music. It's also the

story of a musical trailblazer – Dr Susan Rogers – who began as a humble audio tech in Los Angeles to become Prince's chief engineer for *Purple Rain* and one of the most successful female record producers of all time. Now a Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience, Rogers' unique book offers extraordinary insights about music, emotion and the brain.

In brief

[U12 Hockey Team: great performance at East Region Finals](#)

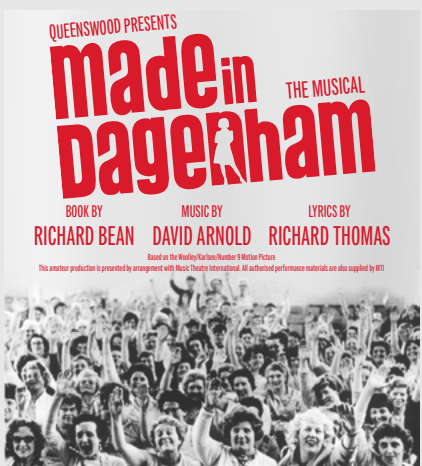
[Column Q: Sixth Formers learn to sign 'Jingle Bells'](#)

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[Made in Dagenham: last chance to reserve tickets](#)



Welcome to the latest digest of news, events and blog posts from the website of Queenswood School. Click on the pink hyperlinks to read more.

Silver Stories: Q Pupils Take Part in Senior Citizen Reading Initiative



A group of eager readers from Years 7 and 8 have been putting their love of literature to good use. Under the direction of Miss Tyler, Teaching Assistant in the Personalised Learning Centre, they are taking part in the Silver Stories scheme, in which they read aloud to senior citizens over the phone.

Oxford University Bebras Challenge for Computer Science Students



Last month, Computer Science students at Queenswood entered the prestigious Bebras Computing Challenge, which involved tackling a set of in-class computing tasks involving computational and logical thinking. Several received a gold certificate, signifying a result in the top 10% of participants nationwide.

Leiths: Sixth Form Wine Tasting Lecture with Vivienne Franks



Queenswood's Leiths students enjoyed a fascinating interactive lecture on Wednesday 30 November, courtesy of International Wine Judge and Educator Vivienne Franks. Under her watchful eye, our budding oenophiles had the opportunity to taste a range of excellent vintages from around the world, and learned about the art and science of pairing wine with food.

Come Rain or Shine: Geographers on the Dorset Coast



Geographers from Years 11 and 13 spent three busy days in and around Studland Bay on the Dorset coast earlier this week. They enjoyed – and endured – the full range of British weather as they investigated vegetation growth, sand dunes, coastal erosion and more! You can follow the story of their trip through these posts from the [QueenswoodGeography](#) Instagram account.

Fantastic Results for Q's New Riding Squad at Inaugural Competition



The new Queenswood Riding Squad took part in their inaugural competition on Saturday 26 November at Berkshire College of Agriculture, and performed superbly. The riders were thrilled to be out competing with their ponies and horses for Queenswood, and with more competitions on the horizon, the future is looking bright!

House Christmas Card Competition 2022: Winning Designs on Sale for Charity



There is still time to purchase our House Christmas cards in packs of 12 (three of each of the House designs) for £6 per pack. All profits will be donated to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice who help babies, children and young people with life-threatening or life-limiting conditions, and their families, to make the most of every day. Thank you for your generosity at Christmas.

Hartley House: Christmas Bake Sale for Noah's Ark



Hartley House held their Christmas Charity Bake Sale on Thursday in aid of Noah's Ark Children's Hospice and raised an outstanding £376! Day students contributed their home-baked goods and Boarders cooked up a storm in-House too, providing a veritable feast of sweet treats. Well done Miss Yaffe and Hartley House on a fantastic fundraiser.

Christmas Hampers are Delivered to Young Carers in Herts



Reverend Vindra, Miss Yaffe and the Christmas Hamper team would like to express their grateful thanks to everyone who so generously donated items or money to this year's appeal. The team were able to prepare 66 hampers, which were delivered on Friday to Young Carers in Hertfordshire.

Chapel Highlights: The Start of Advent



This week was the start of Advent and in Chapel on Monday, students and staff were greeted by the lit Christmas tree, a nativity scene and the Advent wreath with 5 candles. Rev'd Vindra and Mr Fox considered different aspects of Advent in their Chapel talks and the first Advent candle was lit.