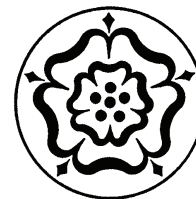


# Newsletter



## QEGS ROCKS ON

Congratulations to everyone involved in this year's QEGS Rock Challenge entry which swept the board at the North London heat in Stevenage last Friday evening. The QE theme was "*A Virtuous Journey*" - *could the archangel defeat the Devil and reclaim the world's virtues*. QEGS were the overall winners and will go on to the Southern Finals in Portsmouth. We also won many of the other categories including; Spirit of Rock Challenge, Concept Originality, Performance Skill, Stage Crew, Set Design and Staging, Lighting Design and Video Performance. Many thanks to Kim and Shauna, Mrs Osman, Ms Thomas, Mr Duffey, Ms Kyriakou and everyone who helped or supported the team and most of all the fantastic QE Rock Challenge Team 2010. Congratulations also to Christ Church Primary, Woodcroft, All Saints (Whetstone), Finchley Catholic and St Michael's who also competed and won awards.

## QEGSA QUIZ

The bi-annual quiz is back on Friday 26 March. Parents are invited to come along and pit their wits against other parents and staff. If you have a group of friends you may want to book a table, but we always have some tables made up of pairs and individuals who start the evening as strangers and become friends over the peanuts and brain-teasers! Tickets are now available from the School Office (see flyer on back page).

## SCIENCE ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY

QEGS was very lucky to be included in a project run by Imperial College, London (one of the world's leading universities for Science and Engineering) to promote Science to school students. A group of able scientists from Y9 worked with students from Imperial this week to design a rocket. The winning group will now go on to a final at Imperial College later this month. The members of the winning team were Neda Ashouri, Yemi

Gbadebo, Lauren Wheeler, Emma White and Maya Hanoomansingh. Well done to everyone who was involved and good luck in the next round.

## TEACHING AWARDS

Congratulations to Ms Callara who has recently been nominated by a pupil for her fantastic commitment to teaching. Well done! Nominations have closed for this year and we will wait to see if any QEGS teachers get through to a final. In the meantime, if there was someone who you meant to nominate, it's too late for 2010 but nominations are now open for 2011!

## AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED WORK

This week's winners of Awards are Shelby Carling (8Q) and Karishma Khajuria (7R) both for excellent work in History.

## 6<sup>th</sup> FORM OUTREACH

Several 6<sup>th</sup> formers are running a lunchtime reading group at Cromer Road School. This is being led by Delphi May, Elena Bergonzi and Danielle Bates for Y5 and Y6 pupils and the staff at Cromer Road (and Mrs Kenney Dwyer) have been very impressed with their enthusiasm, energy and skill. Well done girls!

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2010

Monday, 8th March, is International Women's Day and this year the theme is 'Equal rights, equal opportunities: progress for all'. As usual we will be celebrating the event in school.

To support the celebration many staff will wear something purple. Also, look out for the purple balloons around the building! Why purple? The colour purple represents dignity and courage. The colours used for International Women's Day are green, white and purple. The colours green, white and violet were first used in 1908 by the Women's Social and Political Union, known

as the Suffragettes, who fought for votes for women in England. The 3 colours together were chosen to represent their slogan, 'Give Women the Vote!' *Mrs Demetri*

#### ATTENDANCE

**Year Group Attendance**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2009 – 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010

Year Group	% attendance
Year 7	95.58%
Year 8	94.13%
Year 9	93.65%
Year 10	92.61%
Year 11	94.00%

**Form groups with the best attendance**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2009 – 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010

Form Group	% attendance
7P	96.61%
8R	95.18%
9L	95.82%
10L	95.02%
11L	95.60%

Congratulation to **8R** and to **11L**, both of whom have increased their attendance rate over the last week. Good attendance to school is very important. The greater your attendance, the greater your achievement. It is important that you attend school everyday and attend all your lessons. This way, you will make good progress and achieve your true potential. Remember if you're missing school, you're missing out!

*Ms Griffith*

#### JACK PETCHEY AWARDS

The Jack Petchey Award is a way of celebrating the achievements of young people. We are currently in the process of selecting the winners for this term. Nominations can be made by any member of the school community including teachers, students and parents. If you would like to nominate a student for an award please can you place your nomination form in the Jack Petchey nomination box which is situated at Student Services or pass directly to me. Nomination

forms can be collected from the Heads of Year, Student Services or Ms Griffith.

#### ACHIEVEMENT IN ICT:

In 9R's ICT lessons the pupils have been working on their own ideas for their Year 9 and 10 long term project. The ideas have included Hair and Beauty Salon, Modelling Agents, Musician Managers, Themed Hotels, to name but a few. Part of the project is to research and then present their ideas to the group. Out of all the presentations seen, the most memorable one for the class was a Themed Hotel presentation by Charlotte Carey. Well done to Charlotte, who was awarded merits and an ICT achievement pen. *Miss Metcalf*.

#### YEAR 13 BUSINESS MARKETING COMPETITION

The Year 13s have been working on a project marketing a new brand or product. We had two visitors in to watch the presentations. Thank you to Tony Kenton from the Global strategic marketing and branding company - IT IQ. There were some brilliant ideas and new products outlined by the students. Thank you in particular to Shabana Khairi, Niamarie Parker, and Charlotte Botham for their effort. Particular praise goes to Gemma Dipple who made a brilliant sales pitch. Spend the £20 Brent Cross Voucher wisely Gemma! Well done, Miss Metcalf.

#### CONSERVATIVE SPRING FORUM 2010

On Sunday 28th February, Mr Kovar took his politics students to Brighton for an opportunity to experience the Conservative Spring Forum 2010. We were lucky enough to meet many famous faces of the shadow cabinet such as Eric Pickles, William Hague and Michael Grove, as well as Theresa Villiers (MP for our constituency), who was delighted to see us present. The day was an overall brilliant experience, perhaps the highlight being David Cameron's speech and seeing a political protest in context, and the down side being the very wet and windy weather by the sea front! All students were grateful to both Mr Kovar and Mr Fielder for giving us the opportunity to widen our knowledge and gain

first hand experience into the wonderful world of politics!

*Mia Lam SF02*

### FOOD TECHNOLOGY

The following girls have gained their Basic Food Hygiene Certificate:

Eleanor Morris 11R, Stephanie Yousif 11Q and Holly McKay 11Q

Food Technology are collecting the 2010 Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers and any medium to large plastic or tin food containers with lids would also be most welcome. Many thanks.

### BOOK REVIEW

Hello girls! I hope that you have all had a good week and that it was productive.

The book that I think a number of you would like to read this week, for me, is one of my favourites. It is called 'Guernica' and is written by Dave Boling- those of you who love 'Captain Correlli's Mandolin' like me will also thoroughly enjoy this. The plot initially focuses on the character of Justo Ansoategui, who after his mother's death flees with his two younger brothers from their farm behind the Basque community of Guernica. There he has a child with the local 'beauty', Miren, named Josepe. Years later during the Civil War Josepe helps his friend's son, Miguel, into Guernica. Upon seeing Miren, he manages to charm her and stand up to her father to win her hand.

This book is not only a straightforward love story, yet underneath it provides accurate and highly interesting pieces of history behind the Spanish Civil War and what destruction and devastation it caused. An excellent one to read if you like your History (and if you like art the Guernica painting by Picasso is also worth looking at).

*Delphi May SF02*

### SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS 2010

Sainsbury's have begun their Active Kids Campaign for 2010 and the PE Department are collecting vouchers for some new equipment. If you have any Active Kids vouchers we would appreciate it if you could drop them into the PE office.

Thank you. *Miss Dodhia*

### NETBALL RESULTS

There have been lots of netball fixtures this week and the PE department just wanted to say well done to the girls who have competed and represented the school so well.

9A vs St Michaels (BD/SLB) - Lost 3 - 8

8A vs St Martha's (BD/SLB) -Lost 9 - 3

8B vs St Martha's (BD/SLB) -**Won** 4 - 1

8A vs Ashmole (BD/SLB) - Lost 6 - 5

8B vs Ashmole (BD/SLB) - **Won** 2 - 1

7A vs St Martha's (SLB) - **Won** 6 - 5

7B vs St Martha's (SLB) - **Won** 1 - 0

7A vs St Michaels (BD) - Lost 0 - 7

7B vs St Michaels (BD) - **won** 3 -2

*Miss Dodhia*

### UP AND COMING NETBALL FIXTURES

There are lots of fixtures to play before Easter. Next weeks Fixtures are as follows:

Monday 8th March - **9A & 10A** vs Bishop Douglas (**Home**) Miss Loomb

Tuesday 9th March - **8A & 8B** vs St Michaels (**Away**) Miss Dodhia

Wednesday 10th March - **7A & 7B** vs Compton (**Away**) Miss Loomb

Thursday 11th March - **8A** Netball Tournament (**Away**) Miss Gardner

If your match is to be played **AWAY**, Please ensure you have collected your consent letter from the teacher organising the game. *Miss Dodhia*

### DIARY DATES

8 Mar. Y9 Options Evening 6-8pm

9 Mar. QEGSA Committee Meeting

23 Mar Spices of India—6pm

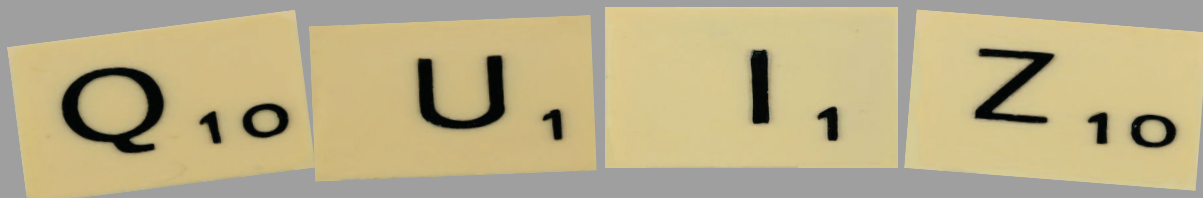
25 Mar Y10 Parents' Evening 4.30-7pm

26 Mar. QEGSA Quiz Evening 7.30 for 8pm

# Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School Association

Reg Charity No 277055

## Friday 26 March 2010



# night

**Tickets £10** per person including supper

**7.30pm for 8.00pm start in the Hall**

Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles

Teams of up to eight people

Complete the form below and send to the school office

Any queries contact Jitesh Shah 020 8216 3728

**Please purchase your tickets no later than  
Friday 19 March 2010**

Name ..... Tel no .....

Child's name ..... Form .....

I require 8 tickets to make a complete table

I require ..... tickets and wish to be seated with:

..... (Max.8 people per table)

I require ..... tickets, and would like to be allocated to a table

**Total number of tickets** ..... x **£10** = £ .....

**I enclose CASH/CHEQUE (made payable to QESA)** £ .....

Please indicate your food requirement below:	
Meal	Number
Fish	
Chicken	
Vegetable Burger	