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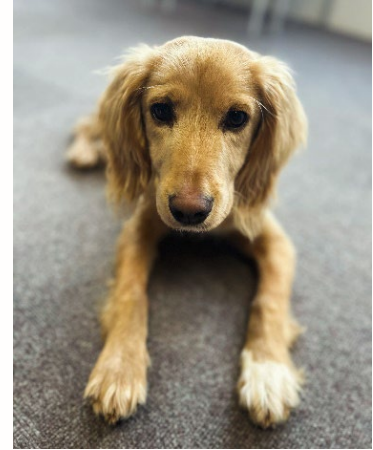
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1st March 2024

QEHS WEEKLY UPDATE 22

Dear Parent/Carer

We welcomed students back on Monday after the half term break. Arlo also returned to work after a very restful holiday. He bounced into the building with much tail wagging and great enthusiasm.



Year 11 and Year 13 Group Photographs

The Year 11 and Year 13 group photographs will take place on the morning of Tuesday 12 March. The Year 11 photograph will take place during registration and Year 13 photograph will take place during Period 1. We ask that all Year 13 students congregate in the dining hall at the start of period 1 on the day. Photographs will be available to purchase in the coming weeks.

Respect



Congratulations to Teddy who completed a triathlon as part of his fundraising efforts for the West Northumberland Food Bank and has so far raised over £1200! 🍌🍌🍌

Follow the link below to Teddy's Just Giving page where you can still donate.

<https://www.justgiving.com/.../teddy-shaw-kew...>

Engage

Year 11 Chess Final

Many congratulations to Sam A who beat Adam W in the final of the Year 11 chess competition today. The match was played during chess club itself, with many of those who had taken part in the knock-out competition there to witness an entertaining match, gathering closely around the players to create a great atmosphere. Commiserations to Adam who did well to get to the final against tough opponents in earlier rounds, and congratulations again to Sam who goes on to face Peter and Philip, the respective winners of the Year 9 and 10 finals, in a champion of champions event later this half-term.



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World Book Day events for QEHS: Thursday 7th March

On the day...

The Masked Reader: Form-time challenge

Form classes will work together to identify the mystery readers! Members of staff, heavily disguised of course, will read from their favourite books. The books will be made available in the LRC for borrowing after the event.



The Great Book Bake-Off

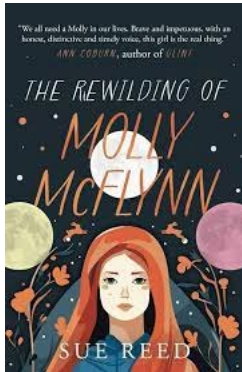


Open to all students: use your creativity to represent your most inspiring book or literary character in cake form. Please bring your creations to QEHS LRC on the morning of Thursday 7th March. Judging will take place during the day and winners announced later in the week.

Please make sure that all entries are clearly named and that cakes are collected to take home at the end of school on Thursday.

World Book Day £1 tokens

All students under 18 are entitled to a £1 book token. These can be exchanged for a World Book Day book or can be used to receive £1 off the price of any book in participating booksellers. Tokens will be given out during form time. Tokens will also be available from QEHS LRC.



Sue Reed: Author visit

We are delighted to be welcoming local author Sue Reed to QEHS on World Book Day. Sue has written 'The Rewilding of Molly McFlynn'. She will be holding an afternoon session in QEHS LRC on her career pathway to becoming a writer and published author. There will also be activities exploring the themes raised in her brilliant book.

Signed copies of 'The Rewilding of Molly McFlynn' will be available to buy in QEHS LRC on the day for £8.99, cash or card.

**Hexham Book Festival 2024: Discounted ticket offer for QEHS
6th Form students**



Hexham Book Festival has kindly offered QEHS 6th Form students discounted tickets for the fantastic author events listed below. Huge thanks to all at the Festival for this opportunity. Booking opens on Monday 4th March.

Sat 27th

Ben & David Crystal: Everyday Shakespeare

<https://www.hexhambookfestival.co.uk/event/benanddavidcrystal>

Angus Hanton: Vassal State, How America Runs Britain

<https://www.hexhambookfestival.co.uk/event/angushanton>

Sun 28th

Philip Goff: Why? The Purpose Of The Universe

<https://www.hexhambookfestival.co.uk/event/philipgooff>

Sat 4th

Len Pennie: Poyums

<https://www.hexhambookfestival.co.uk/event/lenpennie>

Sun 5th

Lucy Scholes: A Different Sound: Stories By Mid-Century Women Writers

<https://www.hexhambookfestival.co.uk/event/lucyscholes>

Students need to use the promotion code HBFQE for a £3 ticket for each of the above events (1 ticket per event). Sales go live on Monday 4th March. Students may be asked to show their QEHS lanyard at the event as proof of identity.

Coming up...

Kay Greyson: Author visit 21st March

Some pupils in Y9 will be lucky enough to work with rap artist, Kay Greyson, in a special music and reading workshop.

British Biology Olympiad

Congratulations to Arran and Lucas in year 13 who took part in the British Biology Olympiad. They completed two 45-minute multiple choice papers which included topics and ideas they are not familiar with, testing both their problem solving skills and their core knowledge.

Lucas achieved Highly Commended and Arran achieved a Silver award. Well done to both students.

Aspire

NCC Youth Cabinet and Parliament Election Results



The results from the Youth Cabinet & Parliament elections which took place on the 28th February were declared at County Hall yesterday. 7000 students voted across the county and two students from QEHS won a seat on the Youth Cabinet. Congratulations to William C and Ralph D who begin their two-year term as cabinet members today!

Ian P who was standing for a Youth Parliament seat ran a great campaign but was pipped at the post!

Online safety updates

Interactive Stories

Internet Matters have put together some great interactive stories/lessons covering a range of issues from self-image and identity, online bullying, relationships and more. The interactive stories can be used in the classroom and would also be really useful for parents to go through with their children.

More information can be found [HERE](#).

Reminders/ Key Dates

Date	Event	Who
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day	All year groups
Thursday 7 th March	Y11 Art Department pizza night	Y11 art students
Tuesday 12 th March	Y11 Photographs	Y11
Tuesday 12 th March	Y13 Photographs	Y13

Additional information

Please find information attached with the bulletin:

- Northumbria Police – County lines
- February-March Autism drop in sessions

- De-escalation parent workshop

Yours faithfully



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Head of School

Pupil support and Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leader: Mrs Hattie Curry
Deputy Safeguarding Leaders: Mr Emerson Brown and Ms Sarah Albert
SENDCo Mrs Jill Wood

Please remember that we are here to support you and your child at any time. You can contact us via the main office (phone) or by email admin@qehs.net

For queries regarding attendance or absence, please email attendance@qehs.net