

Queen Elizabeth II High School



September 2021 Newsletter

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Welcome!

With the new School year, we not only welcome new students, but we also introduce several new members of staff.

Mrs Walton joins us as the new Head of English, Miss Helliwell is the new Head of Modern Foreign Languages and Mr Thurley has taken over as the new Head of Science. Also joining the Science Department is Mr Wilcox. Mr Sinclair joins the Maths Department and Mr Parr joins both Maths and Business Studies. Miss Boyle joins Religious Studies, Miss Potter joins History and English and Miss Murphy is our new Food Technology Teacher.

We welcome all new members of the School community and hope that their time here will be happy and successful!

For those of you who are new to the School, our newsletters are normally published in September, January, May and July.

Both our **School website** and **Facebook** page are updated regularly with important information. Please ensure that you visit these sites, the details of which are below, as they may have important information which is relevant to your child.

You can also scan our QR code with your mobile device to take you directly to our website –



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Prize Giving

This year our annual Prize Giving once again celebrated the success of students from last year's Year 7 through to Year 13.

The evening, held on Tuesday 14th September, was a wonderful event and we were delighted to welcome our Guest of Honour for the evening, Mr Dave McLean, to present the prizes. Mr McLean is a Musician, former Director of The Centenary Centre and a retired Pharmacist. Ms Moore thanked him publicly for all that he has done for the School and our community over the years.

In what has once again been a challenging year, Ms Moore thanked the sponsors, without whose generosity there would be no prizes, and congratulated all of the prize winners on the resilience and tenacity that they have demonstrated during really tough times. She also thanked everyone who has contributed in making our community and School so strong, supportive and positive, including parents and families who have encouraged our young people and kept them motivated and focused.

Ms Moore shared with the audience that all of the staff at QEII had taken great professional care to ensure that the assessments were rigorous and fair so that we can all have confidence that the grades our students achieved are a genuine reflection of their hard work and learning. This year 71 students in Year 11 obtained grade A in at least one of their subjects which is fantastic! Ms Moore paid tribute to each and every student for their hard work and success.

Whatever they go on to do, we would like to wish all the students success and fulfilment in their future careers!

Remember our School motto -

'gleck dty share dy kinjagh'

'always strive to do your best'





Schools and University College Isle of Man (UCM) will have **proportionate protective measures** in place this term to reflect the Island's current COVID-19 situation.

As the virus continues to circulate in the community, schools will not be required to inform parents and guardians if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, as schools are already operating with mitigation measures in place.

The only exception will be clinically vulnerable students whose parents will be told if the School is informed.

HELP US TO COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

IF YOU ARE A CLOSE CONTACT OF A PERSON THAT HAS COVID-19 AND YOU NEED TO COME INTO SCHOOL, PLEASE REMEMBER TO:

WASH YOUR HANDS

WEAR A MASK

KEEP YOUR DISTANCE



If your child is ill

If your child is ill, please keep him/her at home until they are feeling better.

If necessary, seek medical advice and do not send your child back to School until symptoms have passed and/or any exclusion times have elapsed.

Please also remember to advise the School as early as possible of any absences by telephone or email.

Contact details

We would be grateful if you could remember to let us know if you change your address or contact details during the year as it is vital that we have up to date information at all times.

Thank you.

Anti-Bullying

Queen Elizabeth II High School is committed to creating and sustaining a safe, positive and inclusive environment for all students, staff and parents/carers.

More information about our Anti-Bullying Policy can be found on our School website –

<https://qe2.sch.im/pages/index/view/id/100/Anti-Bullying>

Our online Bullying Report Form can also be found on this page or by scanning the QR Code below with your mobile device –



Wednesday 13th October

Environment and Sustainability Day

To link with COP26, we are holding a day of activities for all year groups focused on the environment and sustainability.

More information will be given to each year group about their focus and events.

Friday 15th October

Joint concert with the

Isle of Man Wind Orchestra

We will be holding a joint concert on Friday 15th October for the School Wind Orchestra together with the Isle of Man Wind Orchestra.

The evening will begin at 7.30pm in the Main School Hall and will include a wide variety of music, from rock to jazz to classical. It will end with a performance of both bands playing together.

Tickets are now available from the School Reception priced at £5.00 for adults and FREE for children.

****Please note that children will require a ticket as numbers are restricted****

We look forward to seeing you there!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We urge parents dropping off or collecting children from School to do so **before 8.30am in the morning or after 4.00pm in the afternoon**. There are a number of parents driving in while the buses are there, or just before, and then trying to drive out which blocks the main road as well as putting children at risk.

PLEASE ALSO OBSERVE THE LINES IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL AND DO NOT PARK IN THE BUS LANE.



Specialist Provision Centre

Please be aware that going forward, our Special Educational Provision Unit will be known as the Specialist Provision Centre.

Drama News

(a message from Mrs Greenlees)

It's still not too late for students to come and audition and take part in the up-coming production of 'Treasure Island' which is taking place in February. It will be a mix of acting, singing and dance. Students are also starting work on props and design elements in conjunction with the Art Department. It's great to have such a range of age groups taking part and helping to organise the production. Rehearsals are fun and also students are able to improve their skills and harness their talents. We certainly have a lot of talented students at QEII!

We are going to watch the National Theatre's live streamed production of 'Romeo and Juliet' in late September. It has been awarded 5 stars by critics so should be a brilliant and captivating piece of theatre to watch. Year 10's, 11's and Sixth Form Drama students will be attending the event. There are several other trips in the pipeline for students to go to at The Gaiety. As always, there is a great amount of high quality theatre available to watch on the island.



European Day of Languages
26 September



Celebrate the European Day of Languages with us!

*If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head.
If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart.*

(Nelson Mandela)

What is European Day of Languages?

- It is celebrated every year on 26th September (or as close to that date as possible)
- It alerts the public to the importance of language learning and intercultural understanding
- It encourages lifelong language learning in and out of school
- If you would like to find out more about the day visit <https://edl.ecml.at/>



Competition time



- Draw a design to go on a T-shirt for European Day of Languages 2022
- Entries are optional
- Draw your design on A4 paper
- Use up to THREE colours only
- Designs should be simple and avoid small details
- The design cannot contain third party copyright or material
- Deadline for submission is **30/11/2021**. The entries will be judged by the year 12 and 13 MFL students. The top 3 will be submitted to the national competition.
- Visit <https://edl.ecml.at/Activities/EDLT-ShirtContest/tabid/3147/Default.aspx> for past entries and a video with more information about the T-shirt competition.

Please hand in your completed designs to Miss Helliwell in Room 10.

QE2 HIGH SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

CLUB	DAY	TIME	Room
6th Form Drop-In	Monday	1-1.30	6th Form Common Room
Duke of Edinburgh	Monday	1-1.30	6
Computer Club	Monday	1-1.30	48
Badminton	Monday	1-1.30	Gym
Table tennis	Monday	1-1.30	Gym
Fitness Suite	Monday	1-1.40	Fitness suite
KS3 Common Room	Monday	1-1.55	5
Science Club	Monday	1.20-2	35
KS3 Quiet Room	Monday	1.30-1.55	53
String Group	Monday	1.30-1.55	D13
Dance	Monday	1.30-1.55	D16
Rainbow Club	Monday	1.30-1.55	9
Computer Club	Monday	3.50-4.40	48
Girls Rugby	Monday	3.45-4.45	Gym
Senior Rugby, Basketball and Hockey	Monday	3.45-4.45	Sports Hall
Treasure Island Rehearsals	Monday	4pm-5pm	D10
Music Theory	Monday	4-4.30	D13
Computer Club	Tuesday	1-1.30	48
Year 8 Rugby and Hockey	Tuesday	1-1.30	Sports field
Gymnastics	Tuesday	1-1.30	Gym
Computer Club	Tuesday	1-1.30	48
Fitness Suite	Tuesday	1-1.40	Fitness suite
KS3 Common Room	Tuesday	1-1.55	5
KS4 Art Club	Tuesday	1.15-1.55	25
Junior Vocal Ensemble	Tuesday	1.25-2	D13
Science Club	Tuesday	1.20-2	35
KS3 Quiet Room	Tuesday	1.30-1.55	53
Year 7 Rugby and Hockey	Tuesday	3.45-4.45	Sports field
KS3 Quiet Room	Wednesday	1.30-1.55	53
Club Kiaull	Wednesday	TBC	TBC
Handball	Wednesday	1-1.30	Sports Hall
Duke of Edinburgh	Wednesday	1-1.30	6
Boxing	Wednesday	1-1.30	Gym
Computer Club	Wednesday	1-1.30	48

Fitness Suite	Wednesday	1-1.40	Fitness suite
KS3 Common Room	Wednesday	1-1.55	5
German GCSE Drop-In	Wednesday	1.10-1.40	7
Science Club	Wednesday	1.20-2	35
Year 9 Rugby and Hockey	Wednesday	3.45-4.45	Sports field
Voce Momento (yr 9+)	Wednesday	4-4.40	D13
Junior Basketball	Thursday	1-1.30	Sports Hall
Duke of Edinburgh	Thursday	1-1.30	6
Computer Club	Thursday	1-1.30	48
Games and Chess Club	Thursday	1-1.30	48
Fitness Suite	Thursday	1-1.40	Fitness suite
KS3 Common Room	Thursday	1-1.55	5
SingStar	Thursday	1.10-1.40	7
KS3 Art Club	Thursday	1.15-1.55	29
Science Club	Thursday	1.20-2	35
KS3 Quiet Room	Thursday	1.30-1.55	53
Yr8 Dance	Thursday	1.30-2	D10
Flute Choir	Thursday	1.30-2	D13
Year 8 Rugby and Hockey	Thursday	3.45-4.45	Sports field
Programming Club	Thursday	3.50-4.40	48
Dance (Exam Rehearsals)	Friday	TBC	D16
6th Form Drop-In	Friday	1-1.30	6th Form Common Room
Dodgeball & Benchball	Friday	1-1.30	Sports Hall
Computer Club	Friday	1-1.30	48
Year 7 Rugby and Hockey	Friday	1-1.30	Sports field
Fitness Suite	Friday	1-1.40	Fitness suite
KS3 Common Room	Friday	1-1.55	5
German GCSE Drop in	Friday	1.10-1.40	7
Science Club	Friday	1.20-2	35
Treasure Island Rehearsals	Friday	1.30-2	D10
KS3 Quiet Room	Friday	1.30-1.55	53
Windband	Friday	3.45-4.45	Assembly Hall

GOT HOMEWORK YOU NEED HELP WITH?
GOT A TEST OR EXAM SOON THAT YOU
NEED HELP REVISING FOR?

COME TO...

SCIENCE CLUB

EVERY LUNCHTIME

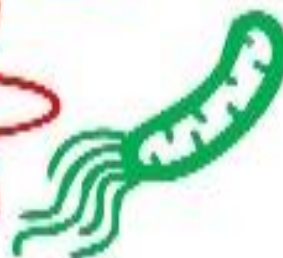
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1ST RULE OF SCIENCE CLUB:
TELL EVERYONE ABOUT SCIENCE CLUB!

2ND RULE OF SCIENCE CLUB:
BE PRODUCTIVE!

3RD RULE OF SCIENCE CLUB:
STAY CURIOUS!



QEII High School Association

News and Events

A very big **THANK YOU** to all our loyal supporters!

The QEII High School Association is a registered charity and is run by enthusiastic volunteers who arrange fundraising events throughout the year. Our next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 17th November at 5.30pm** in the School Library.

Can you help?

The charity currently has a vacancy for a voluntary Trustee Chairperson. If you would be interested in this role, please contact the charity via Admin@qe2hsa.im for further information. An understanding of the Isle of Man Charities Registration and Regulation Act 2019 would be desirable.



Are you a member of our '100 Club' ?

For just £12.00 per year you can be in with a chance of winning CASH PRIZES every month. If you are interested in joining, the form is available on the School website or from School Reception.

Please remember to let the charity know if you change your contact details so that we always know where to send your winnings! 😊



The School Association has its own Facebook page. For useful information please be sure to follow us –

https://www.facebook.com/QEII-High-School-Association-1749586035344871/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

Dates for your diary.....

Wednesday 17th November - our next **Meeting** will be held at 5.30pm in the School Library. Everyone is very welcome to come along and it would be great to have some new members to share your ideas.

Wednesday 24th November - our **Christmas Fayre** will be held in the Main School Hall between 6.00pm and 8.30pm. Stalls are £15.00 each. To reserve a stall call Sue Ferns in the School Office on 841000.

Thursday 13th January 2022 - our **AGM** will be held at 5.30pm in the School Library. This will be followed by the Ordinary Meeting.

Important dates.....

October

Tuesday 5th October –
Year 7 and Year 12 Tutor
Evenings

Friday 8th October –
Non-uniform Day in support of
'Just One Tree'

Tuesday 12th October –
Year 9 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 13th October –
Environment & Sustainability Day

Friday 15th October – Joint
Concert with QEII Wind
Orchestra and Isle of Man Wind
Orchestra, 7.30pm. Tickets now
available from School Reception

**Monday 18th – Friday 22nd
October** – Year 11 Mock Exams

**Monday 25th – Friday 29th
October** – Half Term

November

Friday 5th November –
Flu Immunisations for Years 7 to
11

Tuesday 9th November –
Year 10 Parents' Evening

**Monday 15th – Friday 19th
November** – Year 13 Mock
Exams

Wednesday 17th November –
QEII High School Association
Meeting, 5.30pm in the School
Library

Wednesday 24th November –
QEII High School Association
Christmas Fayre, 6.00pm until
8.30pm in the Main School Hall
****£15.00 per stall - bookings
now being taken****

December

Thursday 2nd December –
Dance Showcase

Wednesday 8th December –
Year 8 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 14th December –
Christmas Concert

Monday 20th December –
Monday 3rd January 2022 –
Christmas Holidays

January

Tuesday 11th January – Open
Evening for Year 5 and 6 children
and parents

Thursday 13th January – QEII
High School Association AGM,
5.30pm in the School Library

**Monday 17th – Friday 21st
January** – Year 11 Mock Exams

Wednesday 26th January –
Year 7 Parents' Evening

February

**Thursday 10th – Friday 11th
February** – Drama Play

Monday 14th February –
Year 11 Parents' Evening

**Monday 21st – Friday 25th
February** – Half Term

March

Tuesday 8th March –
14-19 Information Evening for
Year 9 and Year 11

Thursday 24th March –
Year 12 and 13 Parents' Evening

April

Tuesday 5th April – Spring
Showcase

**Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd
April** – Easter Holidays

Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th April –
Year 10 Mock Exams

May

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday

Friday 13th May – HPV
vaccination 2 for Year 8 students

Tuesday 31st May – Heats Day

June

Wednesday 1st June – Inset Day

Thursday 2nd – Friday 3rd June –
Bank Holidays

Monday 6th – Friday 10th June –
Half Term

Monday 20th – Tuesday 21st June
– New Intake Days

Monday 20th – Friday 24th June –
Year 12 Mock Exams

Monday 20th – Friday 24th June –
Year 10 Work Experience

July

Monday 4th July – Sports Day

Tuesday 5th July – Tynwald Day

Tuesday 12th July – New Intake
Tutor Evening

Friday 22nd July – School closes
for Summer Term