



Newsletter: 19th December 2025

Letter from the Head:

On behalf of everyone here at QE, I'd like to wish all pupils and parents/carers a wonderful Christmas and a happy new year.

A reminder that school is closed to pupils for teacher training on Monday 5th January. **Pupils return on Tuesday 6th January.**

– Mr Seneque

Dates for the Diary:

- 6th January—Pupils back to school
- 14th January—Herefordshire College Open Event
- 15th January—Yr8 Parents' Evening
- 22nd January—Yr9 Three Counties Career Fair
- 28th January—Hereford Sixth Form College Taster Day—Yr11 Only
- 28th January—STEM Trip—Hartpury
- 28th January—Spanish Trip—Parents Meeting
- 5th February—Yr10 Parents' Evening
- 11th February—QE Careers Fair
- 13th February—Last Day of Half Term

Ski Trip Announcement

We are pleased to announce that the ski trip is taking place again in 2027. The trip to the French Alps is being planned for 28 January – 6 February 2027 (dates provisional). The cost will be approximately £1500. We will confirm all details when we return back after the Christmas break, but we couldn't wait until then to share such exciting news! This has been a hugely successful trip in previous years, and we are thrilled to again be able to offer such an enriching experience to our pupils. The trip will be open to pupils in the current Year 7-10.

Please note that a deposit of £100 will be required by the end of January to secure a place on the trip. – Mr Bell



THE QEHS
BOOK DRIVE
2025

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ACCELERATED READER TEXTS SUITABLE FOR OUR YOUNGER KS3 STUDENTS TO READ, LOVE AND ENJOY. PLEASE DROP ANY DONATIONS INTO RECEPTION!

Christmas Chess Competition

Results of the Christmas Chess Competition

- 1st Place - Peter Hall
- 2nd Place - Oliver Hall
- 3rd Place - Mykhailo Tretiak

Well Done to all who entered—Mr Allan



Hot Chocolate Friday:

A huge well done to all the pupils that have been nominated by staff for their efforts either for their hard work in the classroom or their fantastic behaviour around school.



Attendance:

A reminder that if your child is well enough to attend school, please send them as it is vital they attend school as regularly as possible. Absences **must be reported daily** either via the MCAS app, **absence@tcat.school** (please note the change in e-mail address) or calling the school on 01885 482230.

Our highest attending forms in each year group are:

- Year 7— Griffin 7
- Year 8— Pegasus 8
- Year 9— Pegasus 9
- Year 10— Wyvern 10
- Year 11— Wyvern 11

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Flip Out

This month we took 28 Year 10 pupils to Flip Out in Hereford as a reward for all of their hard work in Sport Science.

The pupils represented the school extremely well and it was great to see them having so much fun!

A massive thank you to Miss Mitchell for accompanying me on the trip and thank you to Year 10 for your efforts so far this year. Keep it up! – Ms Muirhead



STOCKING FILLERS THAT BOOST LEARNING!

Give the gift of success this Christmas – help your child start 2026 prepared!

- Black Pens**
 Perfect for neat, clear writing
- Blue Pen**
 Used to correct answers and respond to feedback at QE High School
- Pencils**
 Essential for diagrams and sketches
- Ruler**
 Helps to keep work neat
- Rubber**
 Mistakes happen – fix them easily!
- Calculator**
 A must-have for maths and science
 Affordable, practical, and educational – the perfect stocking fillers!

Payments for Trips & Clubs

Please note; we are unable to accept cash as payment for school trips/clubs. You can make payments via MCAS or BACS or, alternatively, you can call the school to make payments via card over the phone.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Don't miss out on the education you deserve.



Term starts back for pupils on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Ready to Learn

Equipment

Please make sure pupils have all the right equipment to so that they can make the most of their learning: black pens, blue pens, pencils, rubber, ruler, scientific calculator.

Uniform

All pupils are expected to be in full school uniform on our return to school. Pupils will be reminded in assemblies the first week back, Form Tutors will check and record any pupils not in full school uniform and sanctions will be applied from the second week back.

Attendance & Punctuality

Pupils are required to attend every day the school is open and arrive on time and be in their lessons on time. Late detentions for pupils repeatedly choosing to be late for lessons will run after school until 4pm.



A Christmas Carol Production

Our recent production of *A Christmas Carol* was a huge success, delighting audiences and performers alike. The theatre was completely sold out, with all 150 tickets snapped up, and the response from the audience was overwhelmingly positive.

In addition to the evening performance, the cast also performed an afternoon show for pupils from three local primary schools, giving even more children the opportunity to enjoy this festive classic.

A total of 32 children took part on stage, delivering confident and engaging performances. In addition, many more pupils contributed behind the scenes, with support coming from across the year groups throughout the year. From set design and costumes to lighting and organisation, their teamwork and dedication were invaluable.

This production was a wonderful example of creativity, collaboration, and community spirit, and a fantastic way to celebrate the festive season. Congratulations to everyone involved for making *A Christmas Carol* such a memorable experience. – **Mrs Fisher**



Recognition Assemblies

During the week 8th December we held our Key Stage 3 recognition assemblies. After a long term, we celebrated pupils attending, earning house points and making progress. We have had over 350 lessons since September, and pupils have excelled in their approach to learning.

House Points	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Griffin	3,232	1,895	1,140
Phoenix	3,492	1,534	930
Pegasus		1,522	961
Wyvern	3,602	1,584	



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100% Attendance

Congratulations to 40 pupils who were given certificates and a reward for achieving 100% attendance so far this year. Well done !

Progress and Attainment

Following the most recent assessments and data collection Mrs Watkiss also rewarded those pupils who have made the most progress since their learning since joining QEHS. Letters have also been sent to the parents of the pupils who have made significant progress.

There was a significant overlap of pupils who attended for 100% of the time and who made the most progress.



Three Counties Academy Trust

