# Queen Elizabeth High School



Newsletter: 31st January 2025

#### Letter from the Head:

As you will see in the dates below, the work to install the new 3G pitch and netball courts will start on 10th February. A letter will go out to all parents and carers next week with details of the work taking place and the impact this will have on the school site. There has been an awful lot of work, by a lot of people, behind the scenes to ensure that there is minimal disruption to the pupils and I am sure that the outcome will be of huge benefit to both pupils and the local community.

We will also be clamping down on attendance, behaviour and school uniform after the half term. Our uniform policy very clearly outlines what is acceptable and there will be sanctions put in place for those that do not adhere to it. When a pupil's attendance falls below 90% they are classed, by government national expectations, as persistently absent. Missing school will make your child fall behind in lessons and will impact on their academic progress and achievement. Please do your best to ensure your child is in school each morning by 8.35am ready to learn. On a lighter note, you will see below that the Year 11 Prom date has been announced and the Year 11s have now started fundraising for it. It is a lovely way for them to celebrate all their hard work after their exams in the summer so your support is very much appreciated.

We have also had some fantastic sporting successes this fortnight. Well done to all those taking part!

## **Dates for the Diary:**

6th February—Year 11 Targeted Parents' Evening & SEN

7th February—Y11 Prom Fundraiser—Cake Sale

10th February—3G Pitch Work Starts

11th February—Careers Event

12th February—Animal Farm Theatre Trip

13th February—Year 10 Parents' Evening

14th February—Y11 Prom Fundraiser—Cake Sale and Non-Uniform Day (£1 Contribution)

17th—21st February—Half Term

25th February—Y11 Geography Field Trip

6th March—Year 9 Options Evening

10th March—Year 11 Geography Field Trip

22nd—29th March—Ski Trip

#### 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.

We have had a strong return after the holidays (thank you!) and hope to see it continue.

Our highest attending forms in each year group are:

Year 7—Pegasus 7 Year 10—Phoenix 10

Year 8—Phoenix 8 Year 11—Griffin 11

Year 9-Wyvern 9



#### Match Report:

On Wednesday 24th January, our Year 8 netball team travelled to Cleobury Mortimer to play against Lacon Childe School in what was an incredibly exciting match! The girls played an hour of high-quality netball, with a strong defensive display and an outstanding attacking effort. The uncompromising teamwork shown by our QE girls resulted in a 12-8 win! Well done ladies, as always, I am very proud! Special shoutout to two of our Year 9 girls who gave up their time to help coach the Year 8s to victory, as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award.

#### Miss Muirhead

## Year 11 Hereford Sixth Form College Trip:

A group of Year 11 pupils from QEHS, along with pupils from other local schools, went to an open morning at Hereford 6<sup>th</sup> Form College on Thursday 29th January. They were able to select three subjects that interested them and throughout the morning they then attended taster sessions in those subjects. Many of the pupils said how helpful they found it when considering their next step after their exams in the summer.

Applications for Hereford 6th Form College need to be in by 14<sup>th</sup> February. They will be at our Careers Event on 11th February if you have any questions regarding your application. **Mrs Denton** 

**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 this week—

**Year 7**—Abigaik, Floss, Emma, Viv-Ava, Faith, Summer, Austin, Nathan, Neve, Jessica, George, Erin, Arthur and Paige

Year 8—Vinnie, Ruby, Jemima, Dexter, Lilly M, Reka and Jake R

Year 9 — Alfie, Poppy, Caleb Ma, Somer, Charlie Jack and Rhiannon,

Year 10—Joseph, Kayla, Nikola, Zoe and Archie

Year 11—Lyndon



### **Match Report:**

Lacon Childe School visited us on Thursday 30th January to play our Year 7 boys in football and girls in netball. It was great to see so many pupils taking part, and they certainly did us proud!

Results:

Football - QE 1, Lacon 4 (L)

Netball - QE 11, Lacon 1 (W)

Well done to all involved. More to come soon!

Miss Muirhead





Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Open to Year 9, 10 & 11 Pupils & Parents

Opportunity to come along to chat to local Colleges, Businesses, Training & National Companies about your next step











## **Year 9 Careers Event:**

On Thursday 23rd January, Year 9 spent the morning at the Three Counties Showground visiting the careers event. There were over 40 businesses, colleges and universities there including Forestry England, Barclays Bank, RAF, Army, Hartpury University and College and Hereford Sixth Form College. There was a lot of information to be gained from speaking to the various businesses and education

providers that were there, and I hope all of the pupils were able to take something away from the day (as well as the free pens!)

















