



The Queen Elizabeth Academy

### Weekly— Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy and eventful week of learning at TQEA.

Year 11 have been engaged in their mock examinations all week and have conducted themselves in exemplary fashion. These mock examinations are important in their final push to establish where gaps in their learning need to be closed and in fine tuning examination technique. We are now within the final 40 school days before examinations start and colleagues are supporting students to fight for every grade possible. Thank you for supporting your child at home with their revision, your words of encouragement and in giving them that bit of TLC which makes all the difference!

Early in the week Mrs Woodberry took our Brilliant Club graduates to Birmingham University to receive a taste of university life. Not only did they hear from lecturers and students, but they got to see a university campus in operation. Imogen and Kitarah did us proud in delivering an academic speech to an audience as part of our Brilliant Club study. It was a fantastic day!

World Book Day was celebrated yesterday with curriculum activities, opportunities to read for pleasure, book stalls and staff dressing up as their favourite book characters. As research continues to prove that reading has one of the biggest impacts on student learning, progress and future employment prospects, it is not surprising that at TQEA we have a clear strategy to develop reading and literacy daily. World Book Day allows us an opportunity to celebrate the world of literature and encourage students to get involved further. Thank you to Miss Rone-Clarke for her work in organising this event.

Parents and carers of Year 9 have been issued with our options booklet this week in preparation for our Options Afternoon, which runs from 3:30pm until 5pm. If you can attend this event will be helpful in answering any questions you may have about individual subjects or the options process in general. This follows on from the Year 9 Parents' Evening in February, which supported parents and carers in understanding their child's progress and possible suitability for the options they are interested in.

As part of our Careers programme we have Careers week this week. Mr Webb has done good work in developing Careers provision at TQEA in the past two years, which was remarked on favourably by Ofsted inspectors last June. The Careers week is a great opportunity for Year 7 – 10 to research vocations and to gain an understanding of the entry requirements for these important subjects that they are studying.

On a final note thank you to parents and carers who have ensured that their child is on-site ready for learning at 8:45 am. We have seen a marked improvement in the start to lessons and, as a result, an improvement in the quality of learning. As always, we appreciate your support.

Have a great weekend.

Mr N Harding
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# **Principal Awards**



RESILIENCE—massive improvement in behaviour and effort in Maths lessons.



ENDEAVOUR—Total commitment to his studies 100% of the time, excelling in Geography



ENDEAVOUR—consistently completing the additional homework tasks in maths





ENDEAVOUR—fantastic English assessment completing a mock paper for the first time, going above her target and showcasing excellent resilience.

ENDEAVOUR—excellent efforts in Spanish and always pushing herself to improve, especially with the higher tier.

### Head of Year

### **Special Recognition**

Congratulations Year 11 or working hard to improve our positive achievement points! Here are the top students from their tutor groups.

Olivia Wagstaff 11ECT 25 points Nathan Freeman 11JYS 6 points Dareon Shipley 11KJW 26 points Thomas Cope 11MRB 8 points Ethan King 11RJG 26 points

# **Celebration of Achievement**

#### Top 3 Tutor Group

#### <u>13/02-26/02</u>

8NMT 983 points 7LD 889 points 7KXS 464 points

#### Top Year 7 Students

<u>13/02-26/02</u>

Georgina Martin 7LD 51 points James Edwards 7LD 45 points Ava Hall 7LD 40 points Lucas Hume 7LD 40 points Ollie Sharlott 7LD 40 points

#### **Top Year 9 Students**

<u>13/02-26/02</u> Liam Rowley 9SK 32 points Charlie Newbury 9SK 28 points Demi-Lee Eggerton 9Sk 27 points Cherry Thompson 9SK 25 points

#### Top 3 Tutor Group

#### Year to Date

7LD 9388 points 10RZC 8632points 7DK 8194 points

#### **Top Year 8 Students**

<u>13/02-26/02</u> Martha Harding-Peel 8NMT 52 points Emily Lindner 8NMT 52 points James Ford 8NMT 51 points Jessica Rogers 8NMT 51 points Sammy Kirkham 8NMT 49 points Hollie Taylor 8NMT 49 points

#### Top Year 10 Students

<u>13/02-26/02</u> Imogen Jenkinson 10RZC 29 points Jude Thorpe 10RZC 29 points Kieran Crutchley 10RZC 26 points Jack Hobbs 10RZC 26 points Daniel Matthews 10RZC 25 points Trinity Millington-York 10RZC 25 points

#### Top Year 11 Students

<u>13/02-26/02</u> Kai James 11ECT 11 points Saffy Brennan 11MRB 10 points Ben Allen 11MRB 8 points Libby Mann 11KJW 8 points



#### **KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!!**

# **Communication** Tree



# Art Trip

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February ten art students from Year 9 and 10 were offered a fantastic opportunity to attend and participate in a professional artist workshop. The workshop consisted of a handful of students from 5 separate local schools and was hosted by The Dixie Grammar School.

The artist who led the workshop was lan Murphy. Murphy is a contemporary British Fine Artist and is best known for his powerful, tonal drawings and atmospheric, mixed media oil paintings of architectural places. Our students were given an introduction to his style of art and were able to observe pieces of work and sketchbooks that he had bought along to share with the students. Students then participated in a bespoke workshop where they were able to experiment with mixed media and produced outcomes learnt from exploring Murphy's style and guided by his influence in the room. The outcomes produced were truly exceptional and will provide outstanding pieces of evidence towards students GCSE art portfolios.



# Brilliant Club

We went to the University of Birmingham to celebrate students' success on the Brilliant Club's Scholars Programme. The visit included a campus tour, reflection on what they had learned, Q&A session with some university students and of course the graduation ceremony. We were especially proud of Kitarah and Imogen who were our 'spoke scholars', delivering a very wellprepared speech.









## HAVE YOUR SAY!

SEND Home to School Transport in Warwickshire

Take part in our consultation and help improve the service for families.

How to respond:

- Attend one of our drop-in or online events.
- Respond online at ask.warwickshire.gov.uk
- Call Freephone 0800 408 1558 (Mon-Fri, 9am 5pm)
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### HAVE YOUR SAY!

Warwickshire's SEND and Inclusion Service Offer

Take part in our consultation and help to shape the future SEND and Inclusion Service.

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