



The Queen Elizabeth
Academy



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“We Can and We Will”



Head of Academy Welcome



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had an extremely busy week around the academy with students working exceptionally hard in lessons, developing their skills in creative subjects like Art and STEM, honing their extended writing skills in English with Year 9 studying 'Of Mice and Men' and Year 10 exploring their GCSE text 'An Inspector Calls'. It has been brilliant to go into the Science labs to see the experiments happening across the year groups and our students developing their language pronunciation in their Spanish and French lessons. Every student has reason to celebrate and be proud of their work this week.

Last night, we hosted our Open Evening for potential Year 7 students for September 2026. It was brilliant to speak to current and new families as they explore that all important decision around secondary education. The highlight for me was walking around the academy seeing our teachers passionately showing off their subjects supported wonderfully by the students who were a real credit to us as an academy and to you at home. The Student Leadership Team did a wonderful job meeting and greeting parents as well as directing them around the academy. If you would

like to catch up on the wonderful words of Erin, our Head Student, and Danyl, our Senior Student, talking about their academy, please keep an eye on social media as these videos will be shared shortly.

On the same day, Miss Reema and Mr Stewart took a group of students to Kenilworth School to take part in The Great Debate. Oracy is an incredibly important part of our curriculum and supports young people in being confident and articulate young adults. During the preparation for The Great Debate these students have worked hard to develop and finetune their oracy skills. These students epitomise our academy values: they have demonstrated endeavour by giving up their lunch times and after school to prepare; resilience in overcoming nerves to compete against multiple schools in the debate; kindness towards each other – the support their have shown each other has been truly wonderful. We are incredibly proud of them and eagerly await the final outcome to be shared!

I wish you all a wonderful weekend and look forward to another great week at TQEA next week.

Alison Morris

Academy

Open Evening











Attendance Information





Attendance Matters



Attendance remains a very high priority for us as a community. If students are not in the academy, we are not able to help to support them or teach them the knowledge and skills they need to succeed. It is vital that all children are in the academy every day.

Week Commencing: Monday 22nd September Weeks Attendance: 92.2%

Top 10 Tutors of the week:

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7DTI

7LXC

8RJG

7SJ

11NMT

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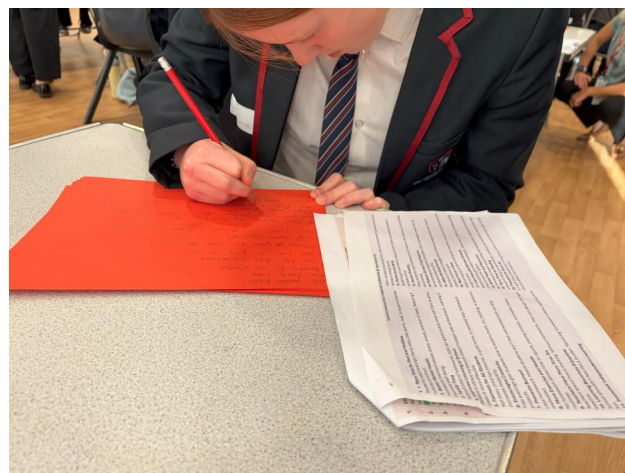
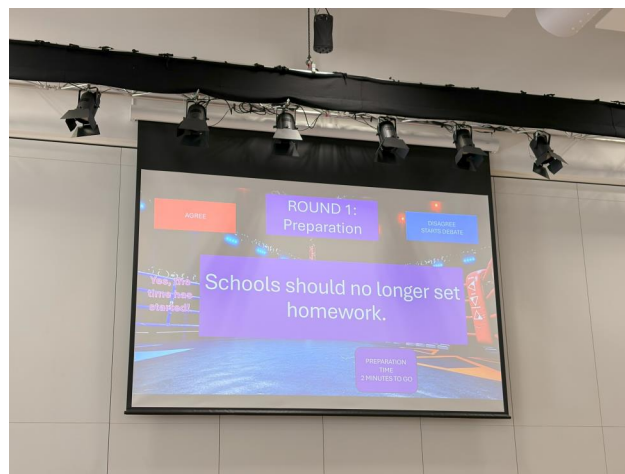
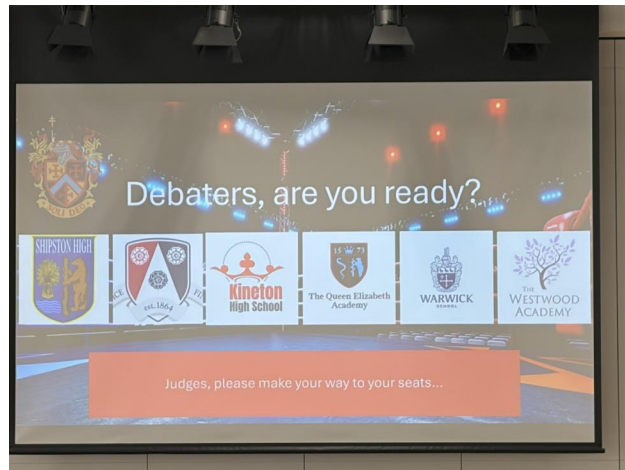
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Great Debate







The students at Queen Elizabeth Academy recently showcased their incredible talent and dedication at the KMAT Great Debate – a fast-paced, thought-provoking competition involving 25 other schools.

Our debating team, consisting of Belle-Elise Kiejda, Rowan Wood, Daniel Kokarevics, and Ethan McKenzie, displayed outstanding enthusiasm, boldness, and critical thinking throughout the event. Their confident and articulate arguments were a testament to their hard work and passion for public speaking.

Students had to go head-to-head with other schools, deliberating challenging topics and defending their positions with clarity, evidence, and conviction-under time pressure and in front of a panel of judges.

Supporting them behind the scenes was a brilliant research team: Daisy, James Hauley-Housden, Lyra Farmer, Kayah-Paige James, Harriet Owen, and Valentia Dal Zotto. Over just two weeks of preparation, this team carried out in-depth research on complex topics and played a vital role in equipping our debaters with strong, evidence-backed arguments.

Despite the short preparation window, our students committed themselves both during and after school hours to ensure they were ready for the challenge – and they certainly delivered.

We are incredibly proud of the effort, teamwork, and resilience shown by every student involved. Well done to you all!

Y7 PSHE Day





Year 7 PSHE Drop Down Day: A Fun and Impactful Learning Experience

Students at The Queen Elizabeth Academy took part in a dynamic and engaging PSHE Drop Down Day, rotating through a series of interactive sessions designed to build essential life skills and promote personal development.

Throughout the day, Year 7 students explored a wide range of topics:

- **First Aid Training:** Pupils learned how to place someone in the recovery position and perform CPR. One student shared, *"I am so glad I know how to do CPR now."* The session was hands-on and empowering, giving students confidence in emergency situations.
- **E-Safety and Digital Citizenship:** In this session, students explored how to stay safe on social networks and what it means to be a responsible digital citizen. They discussed privacy, respectful communication, and the impact of their online actions.
- **Relationships and Boundaries:** Students learned about consent, personal boundaries, and the importance of mutual respect in all types of relationships. One student reflected, *"I didn't realise I had been pushing boundaries with friends before, I won't be doing that any more."*
- **Drama for Diversity and Inclusion:** Through creative expression and role-play, students explored themes of identity, acceptance, and empathy. The session encouraged open-mindedness and celebrated differences.
- **Health and Wellbeing:** This session focused on both physical and mental health, including the importance of balanced screen time, sleep, and self-care strategies. One student commenting *"I didn't know mental and physical health were both so important"*.

The day was a resounding success, with students actively participating and gaining valuable insights. As one student summed it up, *"Today has been really fun and I've learned some useful things."*

Staff praised the enthusiasm and maturity shown by Year 7 throughout the day. The sessions not only supported the PSHE curriculum but also helped students develop practical skills and emotional intelligence that will benefit them for years to come.

Celebrating PE

Y8 Football



Last week we had a wonderful evening of fixtures for the year 8 football team. After losing 2-0 to Hartshill in their first game the boys bounced back superbly by beating Etone 2-0, then Higham Lane 2-0 as well! Both results were phenomenal achievements! Tyler Hay scored 3 of the 4 goals which Frankie Fulleylove scoring a 'towering' header from a corner. The squad was made up of a fantastic group of boys from those playing their first ever competitive match to those that play for academies. 5 of the lads didn't play at all for the team last year but were eager to get involved this year. The most pleasing feature of the fixtures was the way in which the lads supported and encouraged each other regardless of their ability.

Sports Leaders



Our wonderful sports leaders supported the first primary sports event of the year this week. Students coached, umpired and guides schools across the competition and represented themselves and the school with great pride! Future world leaders at work, well done!

Clubs



Breaktime football started well over the last few weeks, students being active and enjoying some important movement breaks!

DofE



DofE has been relaunched over the last few weeks with this year's bronze cohort working on team building and leadership skills, map navigation, and grid references developing their skills for their expeditions later this academic year. The students are also busy organising the award areas of physical, skill and volunteering coming up with some great project such as learning sign language, starting a cooking club, and attending a sports leadership group providing sporting opportunities for younger students in the community.

Upcoming Events

6th - 8th October - Y7 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes

8th October - Y11 GCSE Success Evening

16th October - Y7 Tutor Evening

16th October - Y9 photos

24th October - Finish for Half Term

3rd November - School Closed to students - Inset Day

4th November - Students return to Academy

13th November - Y11 Photos

19th November - Y10 Visit to Warwick University