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Humanities Faculty Newsletter May 2023

It has been another wonderful half-term in the Humanities faculty. Many thanks to all parents and carers for their continued support of the faculty.

Interfaith Iftar

On Tuesday 18th April, we hosted an Interfaith Iftar in the sixth form centre. We began with speeches by our 6th form followed by prayers and food. It was so wonderful to bring the school community together.

Many thanks to all the members of the school community for giving up their time for such a worthwhile event. We would also like to thank St Anthony's Care Home for sponsoring the food.



Year 12 University of Hertfordshire visit

On 10th May, Mrs Manning, Mrs Charlton & Miss Alaadin took all year 12 Humanities students to the University of Hertfordshire. We visited the Humanities faculty to find out about the different courses and how they are studied at University.

Amsterdam 2023

We are excited for the trip over May half-term. Please keep an eye out for our movements on Twitter! @QueensAmsterdam



Humanities Google Sites

Please encourage your children to use our Humanities Google sites. There are sites for Year 7 - 9, GCSE & A-level. These are available on the student home page and are regularly updated.



Request for help!

Did you study a Humanities based subject at University?

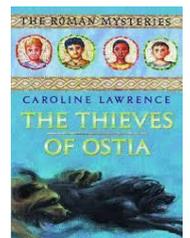
Do you have a job that links to one of our Humanities subjects?

If the answer is yes to either of these questions we would love to hear from you!

Please get in touch with Mrs Charlton.

Recommended reading for this half-term

Ms Watkins recommends Caroline Lawrence's 'Roman Mysteries' series. This is great for any of our Historians.



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Geography News

It has been a busy half-term in the geography department! Our year 12's visited the dinosaurs at the natural history museum in London.

Year 10 Human and physical geography field trips have been arranged for after half-term. Our students will visit St Albans to gather data on the characteristics of the city centre. They will also visit the river ches to investigate how and why the river changes as it travels further downstream.

Year 8 has done a fantastic job making models of the structure of the earth. It is wonderful to see how artistic our young geographers are.

Geography club has been having fun this half-term making sea scape's out of shoe boxes and leaf tracing in the outdoor classroom. We are looking forward to spending more time in the outdoor classroom next half-term.

History & Politics News

On 28th April we were very fortunate to have a visit from Baroness Bennett who spoke to our Year 12s and Year 9s about what it is like to be a Life Peer and why it is important to be actively involved in Politics. The students were able to ask the Baroness questions, and it was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about how the country is governed.

The A-level Coursework results have gone out to students. We had a wide variety of topics and some fantastic pieces of work this year. Well done to everyone for their tenacity and scholarship.

The department is looking forward to starting our transition into GCSE with our Year 9s; we will be laying the foundation for our unit on Weimar and Nazi Germany.

And finally, we would like to wish all the Year 13s and Year 11s the best of luck with their exams. We'll still be here if there are any last minute questions. Good Luck everyone!

PRE News

Year 7 received copies of the New Testament, Psalms & Proverbs. This is an annual gift from the charity "Good News for Everyone", for their studies in Key Stage 3. It is also a resource which many past students have used throughout their time at Queens' and beyond whether or not they take GCSE or A-level courses in Religious Studies.

Year 8's lessons are about Philosophy and logic this term, helping to develop skills in reasoning. Year 9 prepare for their End of Year Assessment and complete their Ethics lessons and Holocaust Studies.

Our Anne Frank Trust Ambassadors who were appointed last term have now met with Ms de Groot & Mr Cohen to plan special events - more information to come!

Holocaust Beacon School update

Our UCL Holocaust Beacon School status helps develop further materials, not only for us, but potentially for schools across the UK through links made in training sessions. Through our series of lessons, provision of new textbooks, useful for the History dept too, visits from external speakers and additions to the Library our awareness of Holocaust Studies has spread across not only Year 9 but throughout Queens'. Mr Cohen has tweeted and sent Facebook messages about our displays, student work and ongoing training which have been seen far and wide.

On behalf of the whole Humanities faculty, we wish all of Year 11 and 13 the best of luck with their GCSE & A-level exams.

Mrs Charlton

Head of Humanities



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