



QHS NEWS

Cheerleading Club

What's Happening?

From tumbling to stunts, we have had a fantastic start to Cheer club this year! Shout out to our amazing S5 pupils who have volunteered as assistant coaches this year: Aisling, Grace and Kara.



What's Next?

They plan to begin creating a full group routine after the October Holidays!

STEM Club

What's Happening?

They have used fire to write secret messages and they have built structures using jelly beans and toothpicks AND they have used Bunsen burners to flame test egg powder!

What's Next?

They are so looking forward to crashing cans WITHOUT brute force and making more Halloweeny experiments!



Dance Competition

What's Happening?

After a very successful audition process, they have announced 2 Dance competition teams for this season!

What's Next?

The youth team will learn routines in sassy Pom and pretty Lyrical styles, whilst our Juniors will do fierce Hip Hop and expressive.

Code Club

What's Happening?

They have been having fabulous fun at Code Club with Minecraft and Scratch. The Lego Robots work wonderfully with our new iPads allowing us to bring computing to life.

What's Next?

Over the next term they will participate in a Halloween Coding Competition and look to build robots for the Lego First Competition.

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Dance Club

What's Happening?

Dance club is back with a bang! 3 new Dance Leaders, 3 fantastic Jazz routines already complete.

What's Next?

Their next style will be Lyrical! So why not come along on Thursday's afterschool.



Drama Club

What's Happening?

They have been working on short improvised drama ranging from haunted houses to awful superheros and alien abductions.

What's Next?

After the October holidays they are going to be working on creating their own version of Charles Dickens 'A Christmas Carol' to perform back in December.



Rights Respecting School

What's Happening?

The Pupil Group has had a fantastic, and very busy, start to the school year. They have had amazing input from a large number of pupils across all year groups who have helped to create and launch the QHS Rights Charter and plan some superb whole school activities to celebrate Black History Month throughout October.

What's Next?

The November Right of the Month will be **Article 19: Protection from Violence**. We also have some exciting plans for Anti-Bullying and Kindness week.



Creative Writers Club

What's Happening?

The Creative Writers club has been enjoying writing together - whether on their own novels; or using our classroom 'daily inspiration picture' to create spontaneous responses.

Each member has been given a notebook so that whenever inspiration strikes (on the bus, after a dream, in the corridor) they can jot this down. There are currently around 15 regular members from S1-S4.

What's Next?

They are always welcome to new people from any year group popping in to enjoy a safe, creative and supportive space (complete with biscuits)!



Water Polo

What's Happening?

This club is hugely popular amongst pupils S1-S6 – great for a new sport!

What's Next?

Miss Cowie and Miss Moore are currently in talks with other schools to get a friendly competition as soon as possible.

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Duke of Edinburgh

What's Happening?

S3 Bronze registration is almost complete and the S3 classes are working well through their sections and the expedition training with our focus since the summer being on navigation. The S6 Silver group have completed their expeditions – well done.

What's Next?

After the October holiday they will be getting any S4s interested in doing Silver registered and setting their training dates. The S5 Silver group will have their remaining training sessions in preparation for their expeditions in the summer term (hopefully). We are also looking to launch a Bronze group for the S3 pupils in the ESB in the coming



Young STEM

What's Happening?

Miss Hay and Dr Ballany have a fantastic group of S6 STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) enthusiasts meeting once a week to plan and lead STEM activities QHS.

What's Next?

The group wowed the future S1 intake with a range of experiments on the recent open evening including using the hair-raising van-de-graaf generator!



Netball

What's Happening?

Netball Club is thriving with 40-50 pupils attending each Thursday. Miss Cowie and Miss Shiel have been thrilled with the positive and supportive atmosphere that has been created by pupils.

What's Next?

They have 12 fixtures before Christmas!



Philosophy Club

What's Happening?

This has been well attended by pupils from S1-4. Pupils voted for our first film - Coco - which explores ideas of the Mexican afterlife. This sparked interesting discussions where we could learn about others' beliefs while reflecting on our own.

What's Next?

Make sure to come along on a Thursday lunchtime if you would like to vote on our next film!

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Choir

What's Happening?

The choir is made up of a mixture of pupils from S1 – S6. They have been rehearsing once a week afterschool on a Wednesday. Currently they have been practising vocal technique and developing their ability to perform as a group.

What's Next?

In exciting news, the Choir will be collaborating with our Brass ensemble to perform a few Christmas carols on the 24th November in Queensferry. In the future, the Choir hopes to perform at a Christmas concert with more of a variety of repertoire to perform.



Basketball

What's Happening?

There has been a fantastic uptake from S1-S6 with over 65 students attending training once a week. Mr Goodlad and Mr Simpson are very excited by the talent in the group and love the enthusiasm and hard-working attitude of all the players.

What's Next?

They are looking forward to starting their competitive fixtures after the October break.



Football

What's Happening?

Queensferry now has 7 football teams. The teams have started off in league and cup campaigns at Under 15 Girls, Open Girls, U13, U14, U15, U16 and Senior Levels for boys.

What's Next?

Over the course of the year all teams will challenge for League titles and some Scottish cup runs with help from Mr Goodlad, Miss Hinchliffe and all the help from the brilliant parent coaches!



Running

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Volleyball

What's Happening?

They're "digging" in at the start of term. The club represented by S1-S6 already having a friendly against Leith Academy

What's Next?

The team are looking forward to many more fixtures over the next year!

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