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Update from the Interim Principal

I have taken on this position while we run a recruitment process for our permanent Principal at Landau Forte Academy Tamworth Sixth Form and QEMS. I hope that my taking this role highlights the importance we place upon this role, and our commitment to ensuring our students receive the high-quality education they deserve.



I will remain in role as Interim Principal throughout the recruitment process, and I will only leave when I am convinced that my replacement will bring the same energy, passion and commitment that I bring to it. They will need to show me they have the unyielding belief that every student has the potential to achieve great things, and that the dedication to helping them realise that.

I have already had the pleasure of meeting many parents and students across both the Sixth Form and QEMS which has only inspired me further and increased the positivity amongst our staff teams. I am looking forward to releasing dates for parent sessions shortly so that I have the opportunity to meet with more of you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and I look forward to working with you over the coming months

Sarah Findlay-Cobb

Carol Concert

On 17 December, QEMS celebrated its annual Carol Concert. The event was stunning and a beautiful start to the Christmas festivities. Many students performed as part of the evening, either in the choir, as a soloist, performing in duets, as part of our dance troupe, as a reader or as part of the concert band. The quality of music at QEMS is outstanding and this was apparent when the students perform with such confidence and professionalism. Well done to who everyone everyone who participated.



Buzz Books

In December all our Y7 students were busy choosing and taking ownership of their BookBuzz books. As part of this project they had access to online resources, games and competitions. Jaici in Y7 entered one of the competitions



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Yr7 Netball

The Year 7 girls had a netball fixture against Rawlett on 29/1/2020, which was played at QEMS. They all played fantastically well. The combined score from the 4 quarters was LFA QEMS 24 and Rawlett 11. Brilliant result girls, well done!

Sofia F
Molly K
Abbey B
Tilly H

Harriet S
Sophie L
Autumn G
Lilie W

Football Academy

Open Development Day and other details about the Football Academy

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Post-programme Progression

APPRENTICESHIPS	UNIVERSITY	EMPLOYMENT	FOOTBALL
Pathways: L2/L3 Apprenticeships within football, fitness and school sports.	Higher education pathways: Honours Degrees, Foundation Degrees or other L4/L5 education pathways.	Roles within football & sports industry both in the UK and abroad.	Semi-professional opportunities and scholarships to USA / Australia

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**TAMWORTH SIXTH FORM
FOOTBALL ACADEMY**
In partnership with TS Academy

Open Development Day
17 February 2020

Male Session 10:00am - 12:00pm
Female Session 1:00pm - 3:00pm

QEMS Reading Group meet published author Ed Parry

Our reading group were visited today by Ed Parry, a newly published teen author. His book 'Golem' was out in September and most of the group have read it. They follow Staffordshire Libraries' Young Teen Fiction Book Award - this award is owned entirely by teenagers, who are in the process of nominating books they have read. The criteria is that the book has to be written for teens and first published in 2019/20. In early March, Staffordshire Libraries will announce the short list and we will find out which six books are the most popular in the county. The winner of this prestigious award will be announced in July, when our youngsters have read all six books and cast one more vote for their overall favourite book.



As well as meeting the group and signing books for the students, Ed was interested in their opinion of his work. He told them a little of his life story and explained how he got 'Golem' published. They told him they had all nominated his book for the award and they are eager to read the sequel, which he is now working on. Will he appear on the shortlist in March? if our students had their way he would!

Harry Potter Book Night



QEMS students celebrated Harry Potter Book Night at an event organised by Year 8 students Megan, Ava, Lillia and Wiktor in partnership with Tamworth Library. The library was buzzing with students quizzing, playing games and winning prizes.



Yr12 Trip to Kenya

We will be running a competition to win a free place on the 2021 Kenya trip. Students should look out for further details around the Academy. Year 12 students are going on an exciting trip to Kenya in February 2021 to spend time volunteering at schools in a developing area of The Rift Valley. The trip is organised by African Adventures, who specialise in educational trips for young people in the UK. African Adventures' partner schools provide an education for children from underprivileged backgrounds and volunteers support the long-term development of the schools. Students can choose either a teaching and sports coaching



Work Experience—Yr10 and Yr12



This is what you need to do:-

- 1 Decide what sort of placement you would be interested in
- 2 Approach the organisation(s) by phone, email or face2face
- 3 Complete the Student Placement Form and return to Reception

Attendance

QEMS Whole School Attendance = 94.0%

Year 7 = 95.0% Year 8 = 94.2% Year 9 = 92.1% Year 10 = 93.9% Year 11 = 94.6%

Sixth Form Attendance

Year 12 = 80.1% Year 13 = 65.3%

Dates for Diary

02 March 2020

02 – 13 March 2020

13 March 2020

16 – 27 March 2020

19 March 2020

20 March 2020

Terms begins

Year 11 PPE's

Campus Charity Event—Sport Relief

Year 13 PPEs

Year 6 Welcome Evening

QEMS House Music Competition