

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

9th February 2018

Headteacher: Mr Peter Hawksworth

**KEY DIARY DATES**

February 2018

- 13th KS3 Subject Based Parents Consultation
- 14th Wear Red for Valentine's Day
- 14th Friends Valentine's Day Disco, 6.45pm - 8.15pm
- 16th School closes for Half Term
- 26th School opens
- 26th Friends of Queen's Croft meeting, 7.00pm  
(Duke of York Pub Function Room, Lichfield)

March 2018

- 3rd - 11th Ski Trip
- 5th - 7th Year 8 Lea Green Residential
- 13th Post-16 Parents' Consultation
- 22nd Full Governors' Meeting, 6.30pm
- 23rd Friends Prize Bingo Evening
- 29th End of Term

April 2018

- 12th INSET day (no children in school)
- 13th INSET day (no children in school)
- 16th School opens
- 23rd - 27th Post-16 Ashbourne Residential

May 2018

- 7th School closed for May Day
- 8th Governors' FFR Sub-Committee, 6.30pm
- 14th - 18th Year 9 Standon Bowers Residential
- 21st Post-16 Open Evening
- 22nd Governors' TLSO Sub-Committee, 6.30pm
- 25th School closes for Half Term

June 2018

- 4th School opens
- 7th Race for Life
- 14th Awards Evening
- 20th Sports Day
- 21st Full Governors' Meeting, 6.30pm
- 21st Leavers Assemblies
- 22nd Annual Reviews

**INSET DATES**

12th April 2018  
13th April 2018

**Post 16 Valentines Sale**



Post 16 are having a Valentines sale in the food room at break time on Wednesday 14th February. There will be cakes, biscuits and cards for sale, all with a Valentine theme.

**Mrs Dawes  
HLTA**

**Friends of Queen's Croft**



Next Friends Meeting, 26th February, 7.00pm

The next Friends meeting will take place at the Duke of York Pub Function Room in Lichfield on Monday 26th February at 7.00 p.m.

Wear Red for Valentine's Day, 14th February



**WEAR RED FOR  
VALENTINE'S DAY**  
WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

We are asking for  
a box of chocolates donations  
for the Friends of Queen's Croft  
Prize Bingo Night  
on Friday 23rd March.

*Thank you for your support,  
Friends of Queen's Croft Committee.*

Valentine's Day Disco, 14th February, 6.45pm - 8.15pm



**VALENTINE'S DAY  
DISCO**  
WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY  
6.45pm - 8.15pm  
at Queen's Croft High School

Drinks and crisps included.  
£2.50 entry. Pay on the door.

## Post 16 Duke of Edinburgh Award

On Monday, some of the Post 16 pupils started to help with the following project by digging up 15 trees and potting up 30 as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award. They will continue to support the project and will eventually help with replanting the trees.



### Peace Woodland

The parks team and volunteers are working in partnership with Peter Walker (local artist) and the Cathedral on an arts project. The end result will be a new peace woodland located near the poppy field. From January to March they are digging up 1918 self-set trees from various locations (Darnford, Wharf Lane and Muckley Corner). These would normally be cut down as part of their management



programmes.

They will live in the park until August 2018 when they will be transferred to pots which will be situated around and inside the cathedral during the August food festival. They will then return to the parks until November 2018 when they will be planted in their new home. A permanent memorial with names of the contributors will form part of the project.



**Mr Huckfield**  
HLTA

## Safer Internet Day / E-safety

Many thanks to all of the parents/carers who attended the Safer Internet Day coffee morning on Tuesday. The event was well attended and we hope you found the session helpful and informative.

For those of you who were unable to attend, please visit the Internet/e-safety section of the school website <https://www.queenscroft.staffs.sch.uk/parents/internet-safety/> where you will find lots of useful information regarding Safer Internet Day and e-safety.

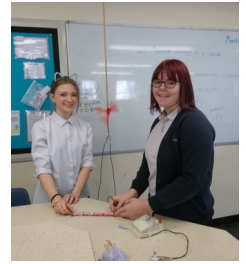
An e-safety survey has been sent home today for parents/carers to fill in. Please could you complete and return the survey to school by Friday 2nd March 2018.

Thank you for your support.

## 11G Science

Pupils from 11G have been investigating electric circuits this week!

**Mrs Olliffe**  
**Science Teacher**



## Post 16 Design & Technology



Post 16 have made a super job of their oak chopping boards. They used the woodburner to enhance their work. Good job team!

**Mr Stubbs**  
**Head of D&T**

## February Half Term

School will close on Friday 16th February at 3.15 p.m. for Half Term. School will reopen on Monday 26th February at 8.40 a.m.

## Weekly Newsletter Available Online

The weekly Parent Newsletter is uploaded onto the Queen's Croft High School website every Friday evening. Please visit [www.queenscroft.staffs.sch.uk/parents/newsletter](http://www.queenscroft.staffs.sch.uk/parents/newsletter) and find out the latest news online!

## CCTV in Operation

Please note that CCTV is in operation in the reception foyer and the main entrance of Queen's Croft High School.



## Keepers Child Safety

A FREE tool for parents/carers to monitor and protect children from cyberbullying by tracking suspicious messages on their smartphones, social media platforms and alerting parents in real-time. Keepers runs on stealth mode so the child cannot access it or uninstall it without permission from the parents. It promotes safety by showing parents their child's location in real time. Keepers also contains a map that allows parents to add restricted areas. More information can be found at <https://www.keeperschildsafety.net/>.

This tool is not intended to be used to 'spy' on your child and therefore it is recommended that it is not installed and used by parents before discussing its use and purpose with the child so that they understand what it does and how it helps parents/carers monitor and protect them from potential cyberbullying.