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QPCS

Excellence Through Enterprise



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QPCS: Business & Enterprise School

Queens Park Community School is a successful and popular 11-16 school. We have a long tradition of high academic standards, Business and Enterprise excellence and a commitment to providing a wide range of learning activities both in school and beyond.

"Pupils from all backgrounds and starting points are genuinely valued and make good progress, supported by good teaching".

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Mike Hulme - Headteacher



At Queens Park Community School we aim to build on our Business and Enterprise specialism, seek to raise aspirations, generate opportunities and develop our students as global entrepreneurs.

Our aim is encapsulated in our initials - and we expect every student at QPCS to achieve:

Quality, Progress, Creativity, Success.



"The idea of having homework was really daunting, but now I'm here I really love the extra work we do, I love reading topics I find really interesting."

"Humanities is my favourite lesson as I enjoy all the trips we go on."

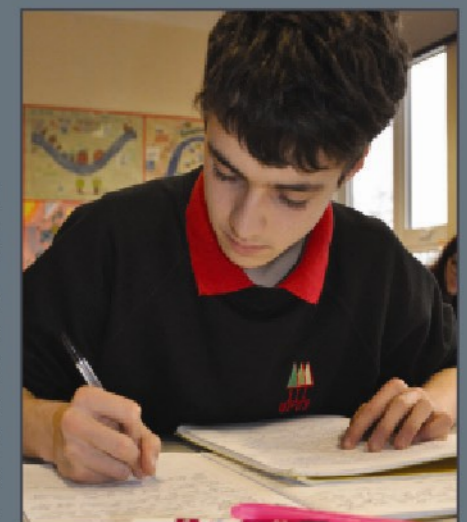
Year 7 students



At Queens Park Community School our goal is to provide the highest quality of service and education in order to give every child the opportunity to thrive and achieve their best. We also encourage our students to develop their skills and abilities by getting them involved in a diverse range of extra activities within the school. Our specialist status enables us to enhance the learning experiences for the students. We believe there is no limit to what our students can achieve when they put their minds to it.

quality quality ~ progress progress

To enable efficient and effective learning, all students are set targets. Progress towards these targets are monitored carefully with an emphasis on the skills each student requires to succeed at school and in the future. We offer additional support, extension lessons and have a strong pastoral system to support and guide students when they need it. The National Curriculum is planned with the interests, needs and aptitude of our students in mind. The subjects that are taught, the content and way the lessons are delivered are kept under review so that we can continually seek ways to improve, challenge and encourage our students.





"A brilliant day, the Summer Carnival was amazing! I thoroughly enjoyed being part of the parade and making the costumes in DT."

Year 7 student

"My favourite subject is Drama, I really enjoyed having a part in the play, especially the costume and the make-up. I was filled with nerves when I approached the stage, but I loved it at the end when I heard the rapturous applause from the audience."

Year 8 student



Drama production of: The Lion, The Witch & the Wardrobe

creativity
creativity ~ success
SUCCESS

The arts form an important part of school life. Through our curriculum and extra-curricular provision we aim to give students a platform to excel. School productions, concerts and international music festivals add to the opportunities for students to perform. In addition, Sport, Music and Drama feature strongly in the curriculum and there are many occasions for creativity to be showcased. Sports day, film making, creative writing, debating, journalism and print making are just some of the activities students can get involved in. At QPCS we value students who have creative enquiring minds and encourage them to participate fully in all we have to offer.

At QPCS every student is encouraged to be successful in all aspects of school life. We pride ourselves on having a broad and challenging curriculum. We celebrate the students' many successes in different ways - from 'well done' postcards to commendation assemblies as well as through our weekly Queens Park Newsletter which serves as a testament to our vibrant, talented school community. Our student success is illustrated through our examination results as they continue to go from strength to strength each year.



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Our specialism is Business and Enterprise. We encourage students to use enterprise skills: problem solving, team working, working independently, negotiation, communication, setting challenging targets - these are some of the necessary skills which will prepare our students to make a significant contribution to the world of work or higher education.



excellence

~ Excellence Through Enterprise ~

enterprise



"I love enterprise days, we get to work in teams, make things and showcase our work to the class through presentations at the end of the event."

Year 7 student

"Enterprise day has really helped to build my confidence, and develop my marketing and communications skills. This has made me better prepared in my other subjects, especially ICT."

Year 7 student



The Sixth Form

At QPCS

QPCS will provide:

- A wide range of courses suited to a range of abilities and interests
- Excellent teaching by experienced staff
- Quality information so that you are in no doubt about what you need to know and do for every unit of work
- Regular assessment and reporting with one-to-one feedback from your subject teachers so that you know how to improve your work and achieve the highest standard possible
- Regular tutorials every half-term with your personal tutor to review progress and receive advice on what to do next
- A dedicated study area in the library, ICT facilities and direct access to the City Learning Centre
- An induction team-building day
- A sixth form contract setting out clearly what you can expect from us and what we expect of you
- An active sixth form council which acts as a forum for discussion and representation of your views to the school management
- Careers advice including access to careers officers, Connexions and outside speakers
- Direct links with higher education institutions including Cambridge University, Oxford University, Sussex University, Westminster University, The Royal Veterinary College, Imperial College, UCL and London Metropolitan University; a range of mentoring schemes to support you in planning for your application to university
- An enrichment programme featuring cultural visits in London, trips abroad as well as sport and other opportunities
- Participation in community activities such as mentoring projects with younger students and involvement with local primary schools
- Opportunities to develop entrepreneurial skills through the Young Enterprise scheme
- Opportunities to support the management of the school by taking on a variety of student leader roles, including becoming a student leader