



QUEEN ETHELBURGA'S  
COLLEGIATE  
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QE CONNECT  
OUTREACH  
PROGRAMME

2023-24



When asked to describe QE Connect events in one word, participating pupils and staff from local schools said...



*“Excellent!”*

*“Fun!”*

*“Amazing!”*



*“Exciting!”*

*“Engaging!”*

What local schools  
say about QE  
Connect events...



“The QE staff were so helpful and accommodating when we were arranging the visit. Thank you so much for all for an excellent day”



“Thank you for all the hard work in organising and running these events. The children always love them and it is a fantastic opportunity for the children at such a small school like ours to mix with so many more students”

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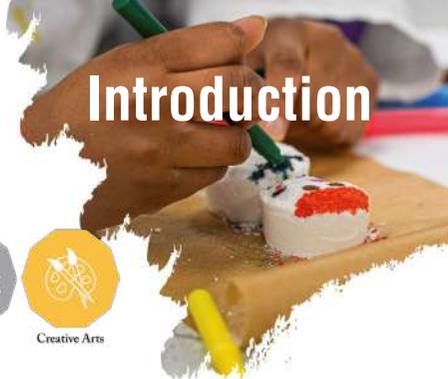
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At Queen Ethelburga's, our QE Connect Outreach Programme is incredibly important to us. We take pride in organising and hosting a wide range of activities and events to establish and develop important relationships and provide exciting opportunities for the benefit of our local community. By connecting with numerous schools, our aim is to enable all participating children to collaborate and develop their leadership and interpersonal skills through memorable and shared experiences. Last academic year, we were delighted to welcome over five hundred external children to participate in our QE Connect Programme, and we are excited to re-connect with local schools this academic year!

## What are the aims of the QE Connect Programme?

*Our QE Connect events aim to...*

- ENRICH the experience of children and young people beyond the classroom and encourage a deeper understanding of the world in which they live.
- ENHANCE the physical, mental, social well-being and holistic development of children and young people by inspiring empathy, collaboration, resilience, and leadership, motivating them to problem solve in different environments and make a difference to the lives of others.
- DEVELOP the aptitude and talent of children and young people by providing access to specialist facilities and coaching.

- NURTURE a caring, compassionate ethos and drive to support others, so children and young people can make a positive impact in their community and wider society.

## What events can my school get involved in?

Our QE Connect Outreach programme provides opportunities for children and young people in Year 1-13. We are proud to offer a comprehensive programme with events across the above categories, we do hope something appeals to you!

## How do I book a QE Connect Event?

- To book, please follow the link on each event page and complete the booking request form (please note, event places are allocated on a first come, first served basis).
- Subject to availability, QE can provide transport free of charge to our on-site events. Should you wish to request this, please indicate this on the booking request form.
- Bookings and pre-event details will be confirmed by the QE Outreach Team once bookings for each event have closed.

If you require any further information about our QE Connect Outreach Programme, please see the FAQ on p26 or do not hesitate to get in touch via [QEOutreach@qe.org](mailto:QEOutreach@qe.org).

We hope to see you soon!

Yours sincerely,  
**Eleanor Smith**  
Outreach Manager



# Events for Primary Schools



**Year 1-6**

**Sessions available throughout 2023-24**

**Two hour workshop (10:00-12:00 or 13:00-15:00)**

**In your school, or at Queen Ethelburga's**

Our THRIVE@QE is a recognised Pastoral Support Programme, that encourages children to thrive by promoting the Five Ways to Well-Being. These are a set of evidence-based public health messages aimed at improving the mental health and well-being of the whole population.

Our highly experienced Pastoral Care Team, accompanied by our Peer Mentors, will visit your school to deliver this session. Alternatively, if you would prefer, the session can be hosted here at Queen Ethelburga's. Together they will encourage children to use their imagination, focus and creativity, learn strategies for expressing their emotions and feelings,



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TALK & LISTEN.  
BE THERE.  
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN  
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO.  
MOVE YOUR BODY



REMEMBER  
THE SIMPLE  
THINGS THAT  
GIVE YOU JOY



EXPLORE NEW  
EXPERIENCES.  
SEE OPPORTUNITIES  
EMPOWER YOURSELF



Your time,  
your words,  
your presence

establish connections with others and develop a practical 'tool kit' of ways to spread kindness amongst friends and family.

### How to Book

Please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). On the booking form, please state some date options convenient for this session. Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.

# THRIVE@QE and Sport Development



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**Year 1-6**

**Autumn Term and Spring Term**

**Tuesday 10 October 2023**

**10:00-15:00**

**Tuesday 5 March 2024**

**10:00-15:00**

Pupils will spend half the day participating in team building activities during a THRIVE@QE workshop focusing on the Five Ways to Well-Being. The other half of the day will be spent working with our specialist sports coaches in sports workshops which can be tailored to you! Through the sports workshops, it is hoped that pupils will increase their agility, balance and coordination, whilst developing key skills such as throwing, catching, skipping and jumping! In addition, they will develop communication and teamwork skills whilst working with their peers and children from Queen Ethelburga's. Below are some key outcomes, with the ultimate aim being that each child leaves with increased confidence:

- Developed communication, teamwork and leadership skills through working with other children during team building activities, skills sessions and games.
- Increased determination and resilience through learning and refining skills in sports and presenting their ideas in front of a group during our THRIVE@QE workshop.
- Through tasks, mini games and match play participating pupils will be encouraged to understand, respect and support each other in competition/game situations, whether they win or lose.

### **How to Book**

To join us for one or both THRIVE@QE and Sport Development events, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.

# The Big Draw!

Story of the Brown



Year 1-6

Wednesday 15 November 2023  
10:00-15:00



The Big Draw festival is a national event that encourages children to pick up their pencils and try something new! Our Art Department will guide pupils through a series of Art based activities based on a specific theme such as comic book characters and comic book strips. Through themed activities, pupils will be encouraged to use their imagination and whilst doing so, will learn different ways of drawing, types of illustration and find their own drawing style!

## How to Book

To join us for The Big Draw Day, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs Matinee Performance

Year 1-6

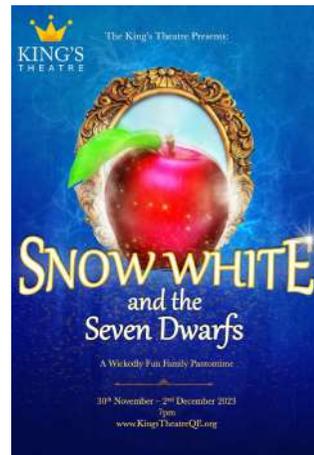
Wednesday 29 November 2023  
13:30-15:30



Join us in our on-site professional venue, The King's Theatre, for our opening matinee of our school production's pantomime! This year, we are thrilled to present Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. This pantomime will be packed full of music, magic and laughter!

## How to Book

To join us for this Matinee Performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# Bath Bomb Challenge!



**Year 4-6**

**Tuesday 12 December 2023  
10:00-15:00**

With guidance from our Science Department, pupils will test their skills and knowledge in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Media (STEAM) to create their own bath bombs. Following this, they will put their presentation and persuasive skills to the test and try to get backing in a Dragon's Den style pitch!

### **How to Book**

To join us for the Bath Bomb Challenge, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



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# Healthy Lifestyles and Well-Being Themed Day



**Year 5-6**

**Tuesday 23 January 2024  
10:00-15:00**

Join us for a fulfilling enrichment day themed around Healthy Lifestyles and Well-Being!

In the lead up to the day, participating schools will be sent a menu template, which they can use to encourage their pupils to create a well-balanced lunch menu, in preparation for their visit. Each school can submit a lunch menu and the winning menu will be served for lunch.

Working together with children from Queen Ethelburga's and other primary schools, pupils will follow this three-part day:

- Mindful, nature walk of the campus, followed by a THRIVE@QE Team Building Workshop.



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- Yoga/Sport Activity. Following this, visiting pupils and staff will enjoy the winning menu design for lunch, selected by one of our head chefs.
- Cooking/Gardening Activity

## How to Book

To join us for this Healthy Lifestyles and Well-Being Day, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.

**Sister Act  
Musical  
Matinee  
Performance**

**THE KING'S THEATRE  
PRESENTS**

# SISTER ACT

**Year 5-6**

**Wednesday 31 January 2024  
13:30-15:30**



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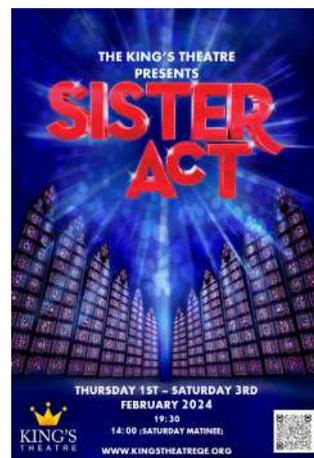


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#### **How to Book**

To join us for this Matinee Performance of Sister Act, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# Samba Drumming Workshop



**Year 5-6**

**Wednesday 20 March 2024**

**13:00-15:00 - Workshop**  
**15:30 - Sharing to parents**



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Come together with children from surrounding schools to form a Samba band! Participating pupils will work with a specialist drumming teacher to learn traditional Samba rhythms, inspired by Latin American Culture, before an informal showcase, sharing their learning to parents at 15:30.

## **How to Book**

To join us for this Samba Drumming Workshop, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# VERSE-US Choir Competition



**Year 1-6 (KS1 and KS2 groups)**

**Thursday 18 April 2024**

**14:00-17:00 - Rehearsal**

**17:00 - On-site evening meal**

**18:00 - Performance**

We warmly invite Key Stage 1 and 2 groups to join Key Stage 3 groups for our on-site Choir Competition, VERSE-US.

Local groups in these Key Stages are invited to perform a song in our on-site professional theatre, the King's Theatre. The event aims to help children increase their enjoyment of singing, boost their self-confidence, and develop their ability to sing in public, on a stage.

Participating schools will attend rehearsals at Queen Ethelburga's during the afternoon, before heading to the King's Theatre, joined by parents, friends and family. Students will perform in front of our judging panel and live audience to compete for the VERSE-US trophy in each Key Stage category!



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## How to Book

To join us for VERSE-US the Choir Competition, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# QE Outdoor Kwik Cricket Festival



**Year 5-6**

**Tuesday 21 May 2024  
10:00-15:00**

**8 or 16 pupils per school (1-2 teams)**

Join us for our annual QE Outdoor Kwik Cricket Festival for local primary schools!

In the morning, pupils will work through a carousel of skill-based activities, including fielding, batting and bowling, with our specialist Cricket Coach and our experienced Key Stage 4-5 QE Cricketers. After lunch, the day will culminate in a Kwik Cricket Festival, where the games will be fast and furious to keep enjoyment levels high!

## **How to Book**

To join us for this QE Outdoor Kwik Cricket Festival, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



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# Sports and Creative Arts Summer Fun Day



**Year 5-6**

**Thursday 13 June 2024  
10:00-15:30**

Our Sports and Creative Arts Summer Fun Day will consist of summer sports (Tennis and Cricket) development workshops and games in the morning, followed by a picnic lunch and the opportunity to watch our middle school's Open-Air Production of Peter Pan.

### **How to Book**

To join us for this Sports and Creative Arts Summer Fun Day, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



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# Create your own Volcano!



**Year 3-5**

**Tuesday 18 June 2024  
10:00-15:00**

During this Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Media (STEAM) activity day, pupils will be challenged to work in teams with children from other local primary schools to create their own volcano! The aim is to compete to design and create the ultimate volcano which creates the biggest, real explosion!

Guided by our Science Department, all teams will come together in the afternoon to find out which team has made the biggest BOOM! Prizes will be awarded for the most impressive explosion and the most creative volcano design!



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## **How to Book**

To join us for this Create your own Volcano STEAM Activity Day, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# Events for Secondary Schools

# Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs Matinee Performance

Year 7-13

Wednesday 29 November 2023  
13:30-15:30



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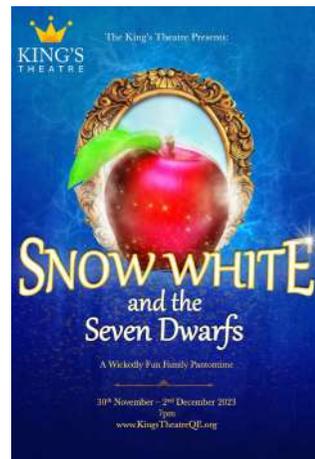


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## How to Book

To join us for this Matinee Performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



**Sister Act  
Musical  
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# SISTER ACT

**Year 7-13**

**Wednesday 31 January 2024  
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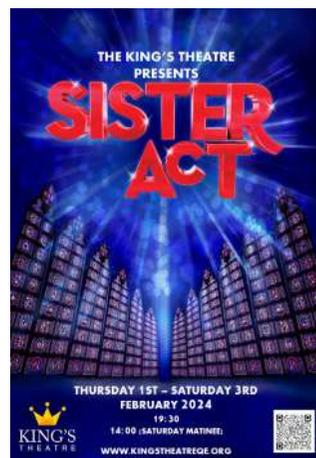


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#### **How to Book**

To join us for this Matinee Performance of Sister Act, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



# DUEL - The Dance and Drama Festival



**Year 7-13 (KS3, KS4 and KS5 groups)**

**Thursday 22 February 2024  
10:00-16:00**

Join us in celebrating and showcasing individual and group talent at Queen Ethelburga's new Dance and Drama Festival, DUEL, in our on-site professional venue, The King's Theatre. Our fun and friendly festival is an ideal event for students across the community to come together to share their dance and drama skills, competing in solo, duet or group categories.

Students will rehearse on stage followed by lunch on-site, before performing in front of a live audience.

Prizes will be awarded in each Key Stage and category!

## **How to Book**

To join us for DUEL – The Dance and Drama Festival, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



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# Aerospace Careers Programme



**Years 11-13**

**Tuesday 27 February 2024**

**13:00-16:00**

**Presentation and Q & A**

We are delighted to be hosting the Aerospace Careers Programme (ACP) as a host school for their Schools Presentation Roadshow. The ACP exists to advance the education of young people by promoting, sustaining and increasing their individual and collective knowledge of engineering, aviation, and related sciences via the medium of Aerospace. The ACP also aims to increase the number of young people undertaking STEM learning and pursuing careers in engineering based industries - regardless of the specific job - especially in the aerospace and space industries.

This insightful presentation and Q & A will involve ACP personnel, speakers from the aerospace and aviation industries and inspiring role models who will share relevant and up-to-date industry information directly to students from all backgrounds. Presentations are supported by audio visual aids which include video,



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virtual reality, display and demonstration equipment, plus associated industry experts to answer questions directly from students and teachers.

Please join us for what promises to be an informative and inspiring afternoon!

## **How to Book**

To join us for The Aerospace Careers Programme Presentation, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.

# Medical Conference

**Year 11-13**

**Friday 8 March 2024  
09:00-16:00**

**Up to 2 teams from each school of 2-4 students  
per team**

Our Medical Conference is a fantastic opportunity for students with a desire to study Medicine, Veterinary or Dentistry. The aim of the conference is to provide students with a unique research opportunity and to also develop their presentation skills. Students will work in teams to research, collaborate and produce a presentation on one of the topics which will be provided ahead of the conference. A panel of medical professionals will judge the presentations and ask all participating students thought provoking questions, before the grand finale!

The judging panel will determine the top three teams who will be awarded a prize, however, the experience of taking part in this event will be invaluable for UCAS and future employment references, personal



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achievement and progression. Every student will be provided with a participation certificate for them to keep in their record of achievement

### **How to Book**

To join us for this Medical Conference, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.

# VERSE-US Choir Competition



**Year 7-9 (KS3 groups)**

**Thursday 18 April 2024**

**14:00-17:00 - Rehearsal**

**17:00 - On-site evening meal**

**18:00 - Performance**

We warmly invite Key Stage 3 groups to join Key Stage 1 and 2 groups for our on-site Choir Competition, VERSE-US.

Local groups in these Key Stages are invited to perform a song in our on-site professional theatre, the King's Theatre. The event aims to help children increase their enjoyment of singing, boost their self-confidence, and develop their ability to sing in public, on a stage.

Participating schools will attend rehearsals at Queen Ethelburga's during the afternoon, before heading to the King's Theatre, joined by parents, friends and family. Students will perform in front of our judging panel and live audience to compete for the VERSE-US trophy in each Key Stage category!



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## How to Book

To join us for VERSE-US the Choir Competition, please submit a booking request form which can be found [here](#). Our Outreach Team will be in touch with your lead teacher to confirm details ahead of the event.



### **Where to find us:**

Queen Ethelburga's Collegiate  
Thorpe Underwood Estate,  
York,  
YO26 9SS.

### **How much does it cost?**

All opportunities featured in our QE Connect Outreach Programme are provided free of charge.

### **Is transport provided?**

This academic year, subject to availability, we are delighted to offer a free of charge pick-up and drop-off service for schools attending our Primary and Secondary Outreach events. If you require assistance with transport, please indicate this on the booking request form. Please note, minibuses cannot be guaranteed and will be allocated on a first come first served basis, via requests on the booking request form for each event, pending driver and vehicle availability. Our Outreach Team will be in touch to confirm if we are able to provide transport based on driver and vehicle availability on the event date for the specific number of participating children and accompanying staff.

### **As a parent, can I drop off/pick up my child from Queen Ethelburga's?**

Yes, parents are very welcome to drop off and collect their child if this is the most convenient

option and is agreed with their school. For events which culminate in a competition/showcase, we would be delighted if parents/guardians could join us in celebrating the participating children's successes.

### **Is lunch provided?**

Some events will require visiting pupils/staff to bring a packed lunch, whilst other events we will provide lunch in our on-site dining halls; the arrangement for lunch will be confirmed by the Outreach Team ahead of each event. Refreshments/snacks may be provided for breaks for most events, so we would kindly ask that you to declare any dietary/allergy information for the participating children and accompanying staff when completing the booking request form. If any participating children qualify for free school meals and require a packed lunch to be provided (for full day events) please indicate this on the booking request form.

### **Can I make a change to my booking request form?**

Should you need to make any changes to the booking, please email [QEOutreach@qe.org](mailto:QEOutreach@qe.org) as soon as possible.



### **Are event places guaranteed?**

Please note, event places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Bookings and pre-event details will be confirmed by the Outreach Team. Please do not book transport or further arrangements until you have received booking confirmation. Closer to the event date, comprehensive pre-event details including event risk assessments will be shared with all participating schools. We will endeavour to provide pre-event details as in advance as possible, but for events which involve several schools, final information will be sent once all coordinating details are finalised with all visiting parties, to ensure a safe and compliant event.

### **How will my data from the booking request form be used?**

#### **Data Protection**

- The information we hold about you is kept to a minimum.
- Your data is used by us to provide our Outreach services to you:
- What we use your data for – To process the booking.
- Reasons for using this data – For the performance of a contract or where you have taken steps, at your request, prior to entering into a contract.
- Your data is deleted when it is no longer necessary.

- We take the security of our systems seriously and respect your privacy rights. Our Data Protection Officer (DPO), Richard Holdsworth, is happy to answer any questions you may have at [DPO@qe.org](mailto:DPO@qe.org) or call on 01423 333483.

#### **Contact Details:**

Email: [QEOutreach@qe.org](mailto:QEOutreach@qe.org)

Telephone: 01423 333300

Website: [www.qe.org](http://www.qe.org)

***We look forward to seeing you at a QE Connect Outreach Event soon!***



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