



# Kind Hearts Fierce Minds Strong Spirits



## Discover an outstanding education for girls

At Queen Anne's School, we invest our time and boundless energy to educate and enlighten curious girls for a life of adventure, fulfilment, purpose and success.



Our students are prepared for an ever-changing world through an exciting and continually evolving education, steeped in excellence and true innovation.

We provide the space for our girls to learn, grow and adapt; they are inspired to develop the qualities and experience needed to harness their inner-strength, unearth their passions and become a force for good.

Our girls will be the champions of tomorrow.

Equipped to face opportunity or adversity with kind hearts, fierce minds and strong spirits.





#### A warm welcome

There is no greater gift that you can give a child than the gift of education. Our students walk into a world of opportunities, within and beyond the curriculum.

You will undoubtedly be doing your own homework to help you make this life-changing choice and I hope that what you read here will give you some of the detail to better understand some of the elements that make Queen Anne's tick. At surface level, Queen Anne's looks like many other richly-resourced schools with its manicured campus, top-notch facilities and dedicated staff. But lift the lid and you find a parallel universe running to a completely different tempo and beat.

Queen Anne's life clips along at an incredible pace – lessons are lively, activities abound, traditions embraced, and chatter permeates the corridors. Add to this the fact that we attract the most amazing students to join Queen Anne's and you start to understand how our girls achieve so much in their time at school, developing a powerful, can-do attitude and a healthy, happy approach to life.

Our students set off into the world with an assured yet gracious confidence, a love of life, an understanding of humanity and are ready to be the creative changemakers of the future. I look forward to meeting you when you visit and discussing how Queen Anne's could be the very school that you are hoping to find.

Ms Elaine Purves, Head

Every girl is inspired to explore and enjoy her individuality, free from genderstereotypes, in a safe environment that champions excellence and deep creativity.





# Embracing tradition and modernity

A unique feature of Queen Anne's is our innovative approach to teaching and learning, underpinned by educational neuroscience. Queen Anne's empowers its teachers to use psychology and research to transform and enrich their classrooms and to motivate pupils to understand how learning happens. At Queen Anne's, girls are being prepared to meet the challenges of the modern world with the intellectual, social, creative and digital skills to thrive.

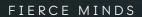


#### Fierce Minds

We see girls excel both in and out of the classroom. The students have ambitions as varied as their talents and potential. High aspirations are nurtured through an innovative and rigorous curriculum.

Queen Anne's is known for its outstanding 'value added' - a term used nationally to define how a student progresses academically from when they join to their results at GCSE and A Level. On average, our students gain 0.7 grades better than expected in every subject, thanks to the excellent teaching and learning at Queen Anne's. Through inspirational teachers working

in conjunction with motivated girls, we see our girls leave us as capable and confident young women prepared for, and excited by, the next steps in their lives. Our girls go on to attend top universities in the UK and abroad as well as taking placements on higher level degree apprenticeships schemes with international companies.



"QAS provides you with opportunities, pushing you to achieve and celebrating your successes."

SERENA, HEAD GIRL 2021-22





# Leading the way in digital innovation in teaching and learning

Queen Anne's School is a four times recipient of the prestigious Microsoft Showcase School Award.

This award acknowledges the extensive digital teaching and learning that has become integral to our approach; and which enhances the development of life-long skills, including computational thinking, critical analysis and problem solving.

In the classroom, each pupil has a device that both teachers and pupils can access to interact with all resources in real-time through the cloud. We advocate an approach called 'digital ink' combining touchscreen, keyboard and a stylus.



#### GIRLS FLY ACADEMICALLY

Our all-girls' environment guarantees a myriad of opportunities and absolutely nothing is off limits in terms of curriculum.





Research shows that girls in girls' schools are 2.5 times more likely to take Further Maths and Physics at A Level, compared to girls in other schools, with the uptake of Biology, Chemistry and Computer Science also much higher.\* At Queen Anne's the figures ring true with 50% of all A Levels taken in STEM and 40% of Sixth Form leavers reading a STEM subject at university.

To ensure that each student reaches her full potential, we do things differently. We tailor teaching and learning to the development style of girls creating a sense of academic liberation.

\*GSA Academic Achievement in Girls' Schools 2018-19

#### Kind Hearts

### Queen Anne's School has an outstanding reputation for pastoral care and a community-minded spirit.

Day and boarding pupils alike experience the same home-from-home ethos with a robust and trusted pastoral care network on hand to support them.

Our expert team of tutors, Heads of Year, House Parents, and academic teachers specialise in recognising the specific needs of young people as they journey through the highs and lows of their time at school. We work in partnership with parents and pupils to respond to individual needs and

to support development of strong relationships and inner resilience for life.

The 'QA Spirit' is developed through a programme of learning centred on character development and emotional intelligence. We know that wellbeing is just as important as academic progress and we therefore conduct regular wellbeing assessments and tracking alongside academic targets, demonstrating a truly holistic approach to education.

#### KIND HEARTS

"Queen Anne's is a warm and welcoming community where everyone is encouraged to do what makes them happy and what makes them feel fulfilled."







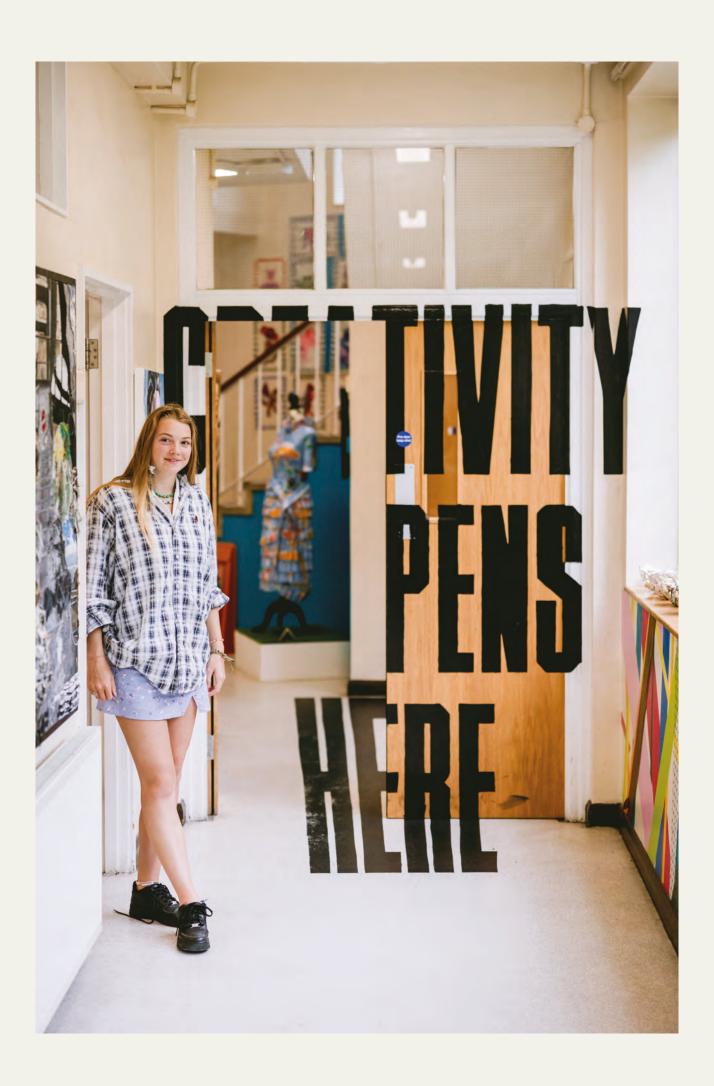
# A centre of excellence in performing and creative arts

At Queen Anne's, girls thrive in a highly creative environment where artistic freedom and selfexpression is nurtured and developed by expert teaching from enthusiastic staff.

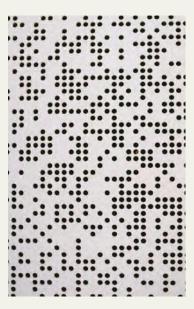


Exposure to a diverse and high-quality arts curriculum is supported by a vibrant programme of workshops, trips, co-curricular activities, and performance opportunities.

The girls benefit from access to artists, professional musicians and leading academics throughout the year and are inspired to initiate many student-led creative endeavours. Creativity most certainly happens here!









Teaching and learning is enhanced with access to stateof-the-art facilities that include purpose-built studios for music-recording, dance, animation and ceramics.







#### THE PERFORMING & CREATIVE ARTS

In addition to the music recording studio, the Scott Music Centre is home to two recital venues, a Mac keyboard suite, five grand pianos and sound-proofed practice rooms. 250-seat Performing Arts Centre theatre hosts four productions each year.

Sixth Form students can extend their creative ambitions further with A Levels offered in Art & Design, Animation, Dance, Drama & Theatre Studies, Film Studies, Media Studies, Music and Music Technology.



"The programme at Queen Anne's not only allows students to manage their time effectively to help them with their academics, it has also given our athletes fantastic opportunities to head to university overseas, where we have created strong links with some top universities."

QAS PARENT



#### Leadership, teamwork and respect



Across the extensive sports facilities, you will find an ethos of excellence and inclusion where physical activity is promoted as essential for wellbeing and development.

Lacrosse, netball, tennis, dance, trampolining, swimming, and athletics all feature highly both in academic PE and in the bursting extra-curricular programme, with football, badminton and cricket recent growing additions. Elite sportswomen are supported at county, regional and national level with representation across a vast array of sports including lacrosse, athletics, trampolining, netball, rowing, swimming, cricket and equestrian.



#### Strong Spirits

#### At Queen Anne's, we value our girls as individuals.

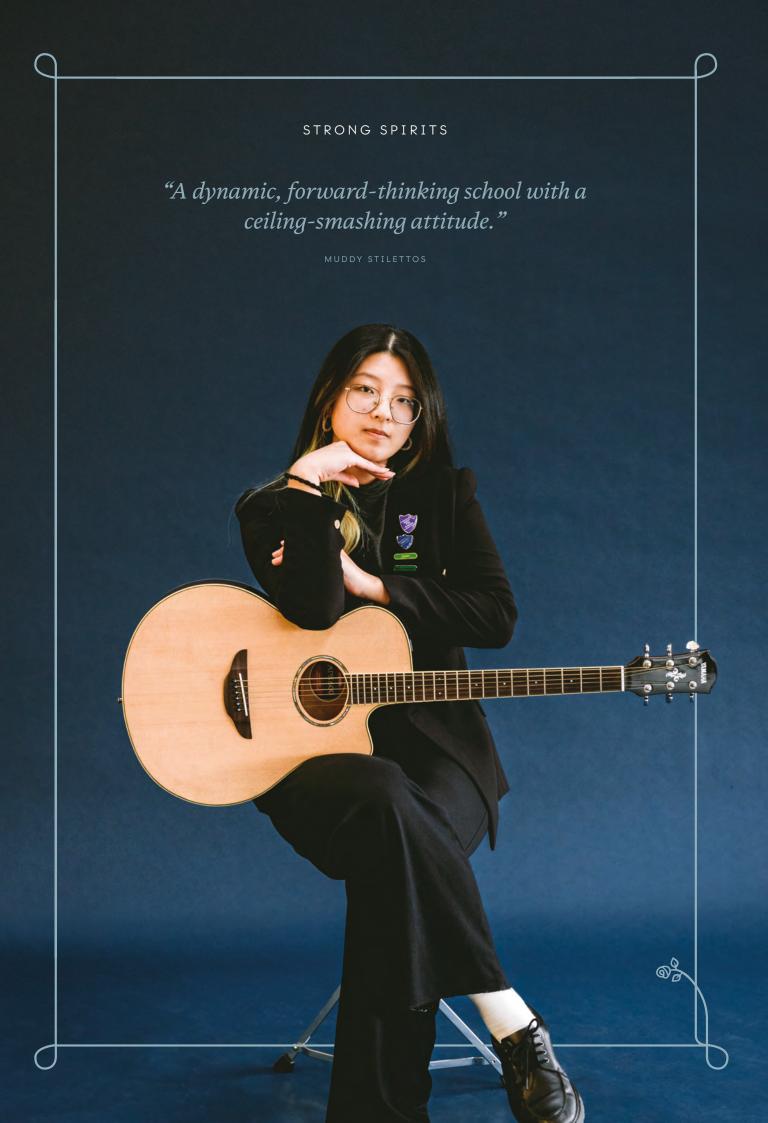
We believe that our wide and varied co-curricular programme supports and encourages our girls to build confidence, stretch their abilities and achieve their goals.

All students at Queen Anne's work towards the QAS Spirit Award, tracking their emotional intelligence and character development throughout their journey.

The goal is to stimulate selfexploration, self-development and self-awareness.

We work in partnership with students to develop a programme that is interesting to them.

From The Duke of Edinburgh's Award to Model United Nations; trampolining to cookery; Animation Club to entrepreneurship – there is something to suit everyone.



"The girls look after each other and encourage each other to do their best in every aspect of school life. We have outstanding individuals who inspire others in drama, public speaking, music, sport and so on."

MR AND MRS BLUNT, MICHELL HOUSE PARENTS





### Boarding life and more

Girls can board at Queen Anne's on a full, weekly or flexi basis.

Each Boarding House provides a haven where girls sleep in comfortable bedrooms, relax in their 'sit' (sitting room), socialise and share meals and activities together.

An experienced team of House Staff work closely with each girl's family as well as Academic Tutors and Heads of Year to ensure that the individual needs of each girl are met.



#### BOARDING LIFE













#### WEEKDAY ROUTINES

	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	Wednesday, Friday
Boarding students wake up and breakfast in house	07:00-07:45	07:00-07:45
Registration	08:00	08:00
Chapel/Assembly	08:10-08:30	08:10-08:30
Lessons	08:35-10:35	08:35-10:35
Break	10:35-10:55	10:35-10:55
Lessons	10:55-12:15	10:55-12:15
Lunch/Activities	12:15-13:45	12:15-13:30
Lessons	13:45-16:30	13:30-16:15
Tea	16:30-16.45	-
Prep/Activities	16:45-18.15	-
Day students sign out	18.15	16:15
Boarding students' supper followed by activities/free time	18.15	18.15
Bedtimes for Junior Boarders	Lower 4 21:00 4 21:15 Upper 4 21:30	Lower 4 21:00 4 21:15 Upper 4 21:30
Goodnights for Senior Boarders	21.45	21.45

#### AND MORE

#### WEEKEND ROUTINES

Saturday	
Brunch in House	09:30
Saturday morning activities	11:00
Lunch	12:00
Takeaway dinner	18:00
Sunday	
Brunch in restaurant	11:00
Activity or Trip	PM
Dinner	18:00

















## A pioneering girls' education since 1894

Queen Anne's School has embraced both tradition and modernity to become an exciting and inspirational place of education.

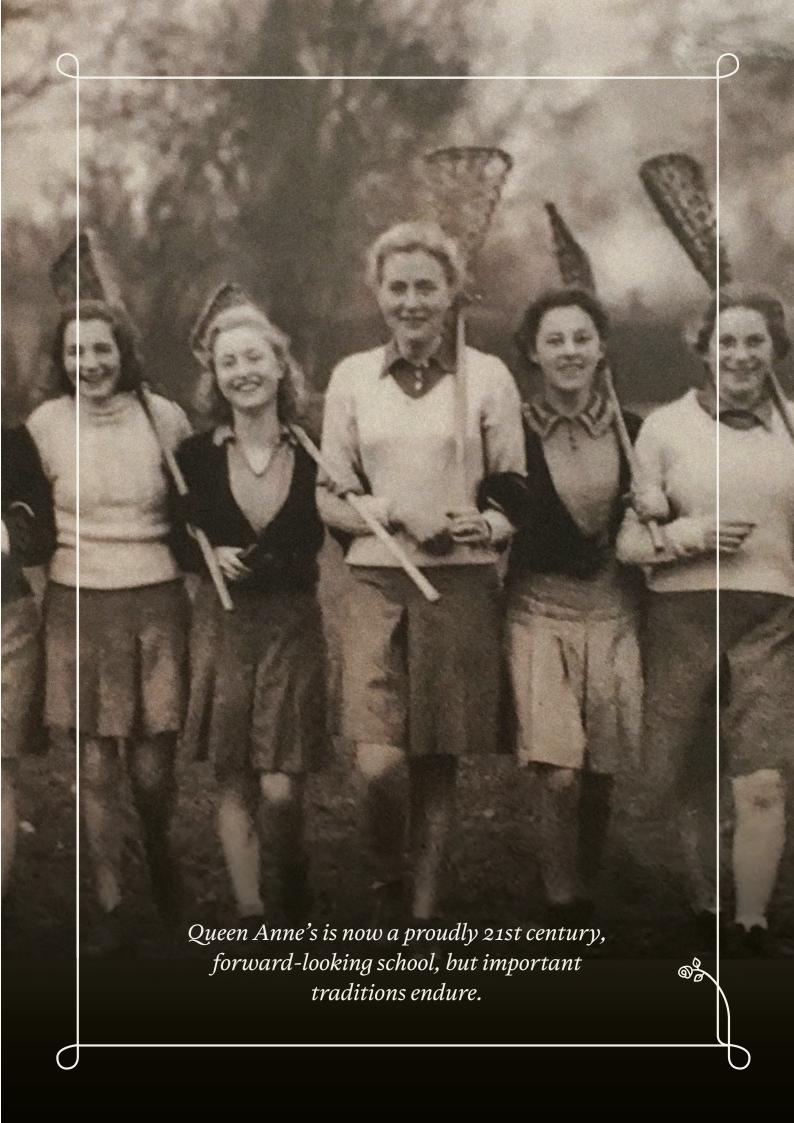


Founded in 1894, the school is steeped in history and tradition and in 2019 the Queen Anne's community was proud to celebrate its 125th anniversary.

Originally part of the Grey
Coat Hospital Foundation that
was founded in 1689 by eight
merchants in Westminster,
Queen Anne's is today part of
the United Westminster Grey
Coat Foundation. As part of this
prestigious group of schools

the pupils benefit from interfoundation activities including an annual sports day, an art exhibition and a Model United Nations Conference.

The iconic red cloaks are worn by the students on special occasions including the biennial Westminster Abbey service. And other long-standing traditions, such as students receiving special gingerbread for the journey home, are still honoured.



#### Visit

We hope that this prospectus has given you an insight into life at Queen Anne's but we know that there is no substitute for visiting the School yourself.

The students and staff would be delighted to welcome you and your family to Queen Anne's. To arrange a visit or a video meeting, please contact our Admissions Team on +44 (0)118 918 7333 or admissions@qas.org.uk

Details of upcoming Open Mornings, Taster Events and more can be found on our website.

www.qas.org.uk

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