

# Headteacher's Update 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

#### Message from Mr O'Sullivan

I had the privilege this week of helping Mr Quigley and Mr Berrett hand out the Cambridge National results to their Year 10 Sports Science class. A couple of things dawned on me during this process: firstly I felt incredibly proud of what lovely human beings the class were; secondly, it struck me how seriously they were taking their studies and what these grades meant to them. Lots of the students were incredibly nervous opening the envelopes, some so much so that they even struggled to get it open. Some were proud of themselves and gave a fist pump, others were more reserved and simply said that they were pleased. A smaller group reflected on their results and immediately vocalised what they needed to do to improve. I couldn't have been prouder.

As we approach the pointy end of the year, it is important to reflect that for some of our students, they have never taken formal examinations up to this point so we must all rally round to support them during this challenging period. Year 10, Year 11 and Year 13 have some big exams approaching starting in mid-May but if the commitment I saw in this group of Sports students is reflected in all students doing exams, our students will do well! Well done to the PE class!

Dates for the Diary:

Second Hand Uniform Sale – 19<sup>th</sup> March – Hampton Site

Walk or Cycle to School Week – 21<sup>st</sup> March

INSET day - 25<sup>th</sup> March

School Show – 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> June

I do hope that you have all received the letter about the decant. Please read this carefully. As previously mentioned, the decant is logistically very complicated so a huge thanks to all the parents that have written in to wish us luck over the next few weeks. Please make sure your children take any property with them before the end of this term. We won't be allowed back on site after the 11<sup>th</sup> April, so there will be no chance to retrieve anything. The site is looking amazing and I look forward to inviting parents in once we have settled ourselves.

#### Turing House Friends

#### Second-hand Uniform Sale

Come along to our in-person second-hand uniform sale to pick up some bargain items:

£3

£4

£4

£4

£4

£5

- PE Shorts & Skorts £3
- PE Tops
- Rugby Tops
- PE Hoodies
- Jumpers
- Skirts
- Blazers
- Trousers & Shirts 50p

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March - 10.30am – 12.30pm Hampton Site



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#### GoFundMe -Grand Piano for a Grand Hall

We're up to 40% of our goal!



This is a fantastic start

towards our final goal, and huge thanks to everyone who has contributed so far! This will help support our wonderful music department and serve as an inspiring resource for all students.

We still have a long way to go, so please donate and spread the word.

Follow the <u>GoFundMe</u> link to contribute. Every donation counts!

#### Year 9/10 Girls Football

Year 9/10 Girls Football v Waldegrave

The Year 9/10 girls football team were treated to a second game this week as they played a previously postponed match against Waldegrave.

Having lost their match against Hampton High earlier in the week, the girls were keen to bounce back and make up for the defeat. The girls did just that as the game finished 2-1 to the Turing team.

Well done to everyone involved! Their next game is against Richmond upon Thames next week.



#### Last week in Chemistry...

A massive well done our Y12 and Y13 students who took part in UK Chemistry Olympiad organised by the Royal Society of Chemistry! The results are back and our Y13 students, Monica and Ethan, received a gold and silver award respectively and our Y12 students, Ayni and Max, a bronze and a participation award respectively.

Designed to inspire, the UK Chemistry Olympiad is the leading chemistry competition for students in secondary education across the British Isles. This enriching experience is a unique opportunity for students to push themselves further and excel in the chemistry field. The competition is designed to challenge, so it is not easy. Our students competed with 8668 students across the country! Well done, all!

Last week we celebrated British Science Week and students had a chance to learn about influential scientists, career options in science, and take part in various competitions and experiments.

Many students from all year groups participated in the activities/experiments and had fun making elephant's toothpaste, turning copper coins into 'silver' and 'gold' ones, producing colourful flames from metal salts, designing and building bridges from spaghetti and marshmallows, and making lemon batteries. Here are some snapshots of their work.



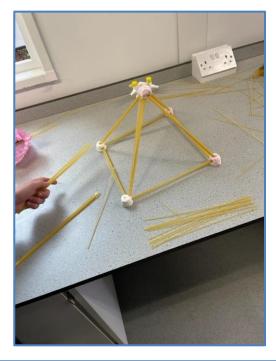
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#### Geography Fieldtrip

Last week, Year 11 geographers took part in some hands-on fieldwork at FSC Juniper Hall down in Mickleham.

The students were given the opportunity to get stuck into some 'proper' geography, putting their wellies to good use and their geographical knowledge to the test.

It was a fantastic day for everyone involved. Not only did the students gain valuable knowledge and skills but, and maybe more importantly, they were able to have some fun in the outdoors after an intense week of mocks.







Heatham House Easter Events



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#### Forthcoming Sports Fixtures

#### Mon 21<sup>st</sup> March:

Year 7 Boys Rugby v Orleans Park (away)

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> March:

Year 7 Boys Football v Teddington (away)

Year 7 Girls Netball v Teddington (away)

Year 8 Girls Netball v Teddington (away)

#### Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> March:

Year 9/10 Girls Football v Richmond upon Thames (away)

#### Join Elmbridge Rugby League Club



#### Celebrating Student Success in Rugby



Congratulations to Year 11 student, Rafe M., who was selected to represent Middlesex County in a county rugby match at the weekend.

The match was against Surrey and it ended up being a fantastic game. To top off this great

achievement, Middlesex finished victorious as the score was 29-17 to Middlesex at the final whistle. Well done, Rafe!

#### Year 7 & 8 Girls Netball v Waldegrave

The Year 7 and the Year 8 girls' netball teams continued their league action last week as both teams visited Waldegrave to play their respective matches. Waldegrave proved too strong in attack in both games and came away with the double win, but both Turing teams showed vast improvement in their accuracy and ability to attack space.

Well done to everyone involved! Read on to find out how the Year 8 team got on against Grey Court...

#### Year 7 Boys Football v Hampton High

The Year 7 boys football team got their league campaign underway as they took on Hampton High last week. The game was a close encounter right up to the final whistle as it finished 3-2.

The Turing team took an early lead by one goal before Hampton High came back in the second half scoring two goals. The boys had to dig deep to make a comeback of their own which they managed to do, scoring two goals to claim the 3-2 win. Well done to everyone involved!

The Year 7 boys face Teddington next week.

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#### Year 9/10 Girls Football v Teddington

Last week, the combined Year 9/10 girls football team got their long-awaited league campaign off to the perfect start. They took on Teddington and an impressive whole team performance finished with the Turing team winning 5-3. Well done to everyone involved!



#### Year 8 Boys Football v Hampton High

The Year 8 boys football team played Hampton High in their league match and were able to add to last week's footballing success enjoyed by all the Turing teams this week.

The Turing team didn't let their opposition into the match as they secured a 4-0 win. Well done to everyone involved!



The Year 8 team have some time to regroup now before they take on Teddington in two weeks' time.

#### Year 9 Boys Football v Hampton High

The Year 9 boys football team were back in action this week as they took on Hampton High. The boys suffered a loss at the hands of an organised attacking team, but they can be proud of their performance on and off the pitch. Well done to everyone involved!

#### Year 8 Girls Netball v Grey Court

The Year 8 girls netball team was joined by handful of Year 7 students as a combined team faced Grey Court. The girls didn't manage to come away with the win, but they did show some real attacking intent and an ability to work well together. Well done to everyone involved! The girls have a netball tournament to look forward to later this week which will give them the opportunity to broaden their game experience.



#### Year 7 Boys Rugby v Richmond upon Thames

This week the Year 7 boys rugby team travelled to Richmond upon Thames School to play their second league fixture. The weather was most unfavourable as the rain seemed determined to create the most difficult playing conditions.

Unfortunately, the Turing team didn't come away with the win but they did score a superb try of their own and

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were not put off one bit by the wet or the cold. Well done to everyone involved! The boys have a rescheduled fixture against Richmond Park Academy to look forward to too which will hopefully be played next week.



# Books about war for older readers, picked by Michael Rosen

The Book Trust have teamed up with author Michael Rosen to select books for older readers.

Some of his picks are:

Anne Frank – The diary of a young girl

A Handful of Stars – Rafik Schami

White Birds – K J Palacio

Carries War – Nina Bawden

Boy Everywhere – A M Dassu

The Missing: The True Story of My Family in World War II – Michael Rosen

Bandoola – The Great Elephant Rescue – William Grill

My Story – Noor un Nissa Inayat Khan – Sufiya Ahmed

Windrush Child – Benjamin Zephaniah

The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Raif

#### Hampton Court Palace Events

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#### EVENTS 2022

20 <sup>th</sup> March	Hampton Court Palace Half-Marathon: Trophy Drive, Barge			
	Walk, East Front.			
28 <sup>th</sup> March – 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Green Car Park closed for resurfacing.			
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Lindt Bunny Easter hunt / School Easter holidays			
13 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Funfair on the Green.			
15 <sup>th</sup> April – 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Tulip Festival			
13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Artisan Festival on the East Front			
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Hampton Court Palace 10k Race			
28th May - 5th June	School May half-term holidays			
1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Platinum Jubilee Joust – East Front Gardens			
8th – 22nd June	Music Festival			
27 <sup>th</sup> June	RHS bridge installation: Hampton Court Road closed 22:00 -			
	05:30			
4 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> July	RHS Garden Festival – Home Park			
13th July	RHS bridge removal: Hampton Court Road closed 22:00 -			
	05:30			

#### Support our students

Ben (Year 11) and Billy's (Year 8) band, 'Late In Tokyo', will be performing alongside other five other Powerjam bands on **Friday 25th March** at The Crawdaddy Club in Richmond, as part of a fundraising event to celebrate 60 years of music heritage in our borough.

Powerjam would love to get more young people to see their bands perform, so you can find out more and buy tickets here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/powerjam-bandsfeat-paul-stewart-tim-staffell-rocks-diamond-year-2022-tickets-265114373227

#### Guitar Lessons Online – free first lesson!

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### Year 9 Cambridge University Taster Webinar

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 4pm – 5.30pm

Downing College invites Year 9 students across the UK to take part in a webinar to help them think about their future. Students attending the webinar will have the opportunity to find out about the University of Cambridge and explore what opportunities are available for them in the next few years. The aim of the webinar is to encourage students to think about higher education and what they can do now to support their future. A member of the admissions team and current undergraduate students will be running the webinar, and they will be happy to answer any questions students may have about Cambridge.

4pm – Introduction to University of Cambridge

4.30pm – Student Life Talk

4.45pm – Thinking about your future workshop

5.15pm – Q&A

This is a free event for students to join but requires registration. Please register your interest here.

#### Science at Heart & Lung – Imperial College School Teams Prize

The Prize will be divided into two team prizes – "Lung Disease" or "Heart and Circulatory Disease".

Your team's challenge is to design an ePoster which illustrates a strategy for combining hard sciences with biomedicine to reduce the number of disabilities and deaths caused by lung or heart and circulatory diseases.

Students will understand the many different jobs and skills contributing to medicine, and how scientific progress can be made by bringing different specialities together (medicine, biology and other sciences such as physics, chemistry, computers, mathematics, engineering). Speak to your science teacher to find out how to get involved.

Maker Challenge - applications now open!						
Aged 14 to 18? Do you like making?						

Do	you	live	in	West	London?
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If so, join our free Maker Challenge programme which teaches you how to make, design and create. Over twelve weeks at our Reach Out Makerspace in White City, you'll learn design thinking, 3D printing, laser cutting, prototyping, electronics, coding and more!

The programme takes place from 30 April to 16 July and workshops are after school (17:30 to 19:00) and on some weekends (10:00 to 16:00). There are two groups to choose from: Tuesdays (Group A) or Thursdays (Group B).

FindoutmoreandapplynowApplication deadline is Sunday 24 April 2022.

#### Amazing Art Work with Anstee Bridge

Some brilliant work by Year 7 & 8 students in collaboration with Anstee Bridge. Well done, everyone!



The closing date is Thursday 30 June 2022 at midday.