

Headteacher's Update

10th June 2022

Matilda Tickets on sale!

Tickets for our school show, Matilda, are now on sale on ParentPay.



Book by Dennis Kelly

Music and Lyrics by Tim Minchin

Orchestrations and Additional Music by Chris Nightingale

29th and 30th June 2022 7pm

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe) All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe

We are looking forward to having a full auditorium for our first school show since 2019 and have a cast and crew of nearly 70 students waiting to entertain you!

Please make sure you book for the day you want (Wednesday 29th or Thursday 30th June at 7pm) as we

are unlikely to be able to accommodate people with the incorrect ticket, and please note there will be no parking onsite, except for blue badge holders. Those who book tickets will be sent paper tickets on the week before the show.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Amber in Year 11 who has been offered a place on The Old Vic work experience programme in July.



The programme is highly competitive with 16–19-year-olds from all over London and the southeast applying.

During the programme, which focuses on the running of a theatre, Amber will work with several departments in the theatre before working with colleagues to organise and host an event.

Dates for the Diary:

16th June – VIRTUAL Year 10 Parents Evening

29th/30th June - Matilda School Show

4th July - INSET Day



Borough Sports - Trials

The Borough Sports athletics event is coming up (Wednesday 22nd June) and we are holding trials in order to select students to represent the school.

Trials will take place next week straight after school Monday to Thursday. Students can select which trial(s) they wish to attend and will need their PE kit on that day.

Monday 13th

100m (Y7-10 boys and girls); 200m (Y7-10 boys and girls).

Tuesday 14th

300m (Y7-9 boys & Y9-10 girls); 400m (Y10 boys); 800m (Y 7-10 boys and girls); 1500m (Y7-10 boys and girls); shot put (Y7-10 all years).

Wednesday 15th

Javelin (Y7-10 boys and girls).

Thursday 16th

Triple jump (Y8-10 boys); long jump (Y7-10 boys and girls); discus (Y7-10 boys and girls).

RET Creative Writing Competition

Tom P's (Year 12) poem below that was awarded Highly Commended in the RET Creative Writing Competition. Well done, Tom!

Freedom of choice

When I was 5, choice was unknown

Mum's hand in mine, I didn't decide where we'd go,

the freedom of choice was always restricted,

as she dragged me along to a family picnic.

When I was 12, choice I was given a tad,

stilled dragged out to do the shopping with Dad,

the freedom of choice was somewhat shared.

as he turned to me and asked 'apples or pears?'.

I'm now 17, 'choice must be a given?',

soon I'll be choosing in which house I'll be living,

the difference now is the freedom of choice is

now paired with uncertainty -

....as Mum and Dad go to take out my brother,

I stop them as they step out the door and say.....

'is there room for another?'

Jubilee Baking!

Georgia in Year 11 made an amazing cake for her Platinum Jubilee Street party.



It took Georgia around six hours to make, bake, construct and ice this mammoth cake and consisted of Victoria sandwich, butter cream base and a glace iced Union Jack. Well done, Georgia!

Junior Maths Champions

A few weeks ago, we saw nearly 100 students from Year 7 and Year 8 take part in the Junior Maths Challenge, a national maths competition organised by the UKMT. Our students achieved fantastic results, with 29 Bronze, 21 Silver and 7 Gold awards across the two-year groups. We also had 3 students qualify for the next round of the competition (the Junior Kangaroo Challenge):

Raffi P (Year 7)

Alice D (Year 7)

James C (Year 8)

Congratulations to everyone who took part and best of luck for the next round to Raffi, Alice and James!

DrFrost Hut8 Club

Our weekly maths homework support sessions have been expanded so students now have two days to choose from to attend.

The DrFrost club runs every week on Mondays and Thursdays, after school between 3pm and 4pm in the IT Room (this is Room 0.17 until the end of the exam season).



Students are encouraged to attend if they want to complete their maths homework with the help of a teacher, or if they would like to do some extra revision ahead of the end of year exams.

Jubilee Walk of Faith by Hasan A – Year 7

To participate in this Jubilee, walk of faith was an honour & lifetime opportunity! It was fun to meet people from different faiths at Westminster Abbey who came to mark the 70-year reign of the Queen. I held the jubilee banner with my brother as we walked with the South London Interfaith group from Regents Park Mosque all the way to Westminster Abbey.

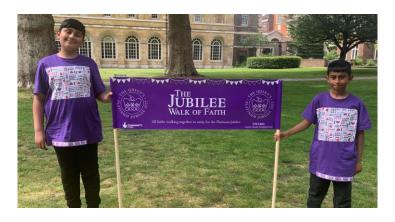
The dress colour code was purple as it's a royal colour! My mum stitched the Union Jack ribbon and "I Love London" patch on our T-shirts to honour the Queen's jubilee.

We were treated to a nice lunch and later took pictures at Westminster Abbey. Only 3 children under 15, an Iranian boy aged 12, my brother Jawad aged 10 & me participated in this walk. In future I hope to see more youngsters participate in interfaith events.

Continuing with the jubilee celebration on Sunday, I dressed in my Union Jack T-shirt. To raise funds for Turing House, my mum prepared street-style fusion dishes chickpea curry (Indo-Caribbean style) and chicken keema mincemeat pasta (Indo-European style). I manned the stall and had a great time being in charge and serving the customers! It was nice to see some familiar faces!



I'm looking forward to future events as I hope to set up my own Fruit smoothies stall to raise funds for Turing House! Keep calm & watch this space



Amazing Artwork

Some amazing artwork by Year 9 student, Marissa! Well done!



Careers in Health Day

On Friday 10th June, we held a 'Careers in Health Day' for students in years 10, 11 and 12. National education company, 'Medical Mavericks', brought loads of exciting medical equipment for the students to use in our science labs, as a way of teaching them about the different career options open to students who study sciences at GCSE and A level.











Students had the chance to take blood from a fake arm, record their ECG, see inside their body with an ultrasound machine, and take a photo of the inside of their eye using a special camera.

It was a great activity, and a fantastic opportunity for the students to learn all about the careers options available to them in the future.

Year 10 Army Day

On Wednesday 8th June, Year 10 took part in the British Army Elite Skills day. This meant they all got to learn about roles and real experiences of working in the Army directly from serving soldiers and officers.

They also had a chance to test their mental problemsolving skills with a series of challenges which involved teamwork, lateral thinking and some physical effort to race against the clock to complete the challenges before the enemy advanced.

They all did really well. Corporal Micheal Chalery commented, "these are some of the best students we have worked with'. Both Army and staff were pleased

to see how students all engaged with the tasks and used their talents to work out solutions as a team.

A number were identified by staff as potential leaders for the future so well done all.



For those who may be interested in pursuing a career within the military please get in touch with Mrs Gould ASAP as there is the possibility of further work experience in this field.



Girls Touch Rugby at Teddington RFC

