

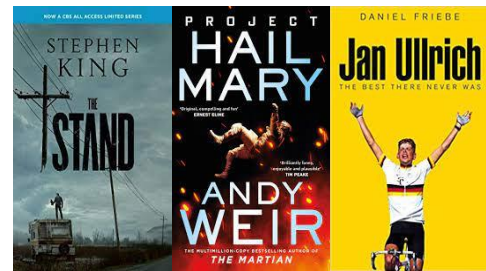
2nd December 2022

Message from Mr O'Sullivan

This week the senior staff and I have spent some time looking at reading data across KS3. We then spent a day reviewing our English department as part of our internal audit process. It was delightful to see the high-quality teaching and learning taking place in these lessons, the engagement of the students and the expertise of the staff delivering excellent lessons. The department is expertly led by Miss Andrews. It was also fascinating hearing about the books that students were reading outside of their lessons. Reading is a gateway to everything; it increases vocabulary, develops cultural capital and in most cases is good for mental health. People who read regularly will have more doors open to them in later life. The link between low literacy or reading levels, and criminal behaviour or incarceration remains high.

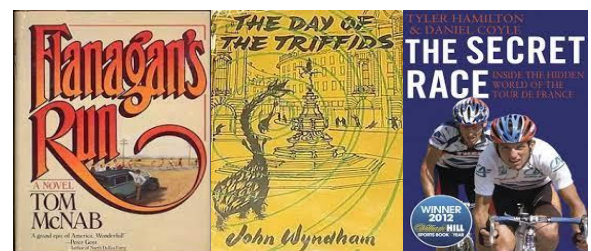
With Christmas just around the corner, if you are planning on buying gifts for your children don't forget about a book. Whilst a new game on the Xbox might give short-term pleasure, no Christmas gift has more impact over time than the ability to read better. Due to my work commitments, it takes me a while to get through books. However, I have enjoyed reading the books in the image below purely for escapism and increasing my own vocabulary and sense of wonder. I'm

only a few pages into 'The Stand' but its already pulling me in.



Please do remember that any type of reading is good reading. Reluctant readers might find graphic novels better, so don't discount them. There are hundreds of lists online like this [one](#) to help you choose. I have purchased 'Maus' this year for my eldest child. This will also support his learning in History.

From January we'll be ensuring that all children are bringing a book every day to school. If you are struggling with the cost of living, students can access our library or use local libraries. Support your child's future and get them a book – then make sure they read it.



Poppy Appeal

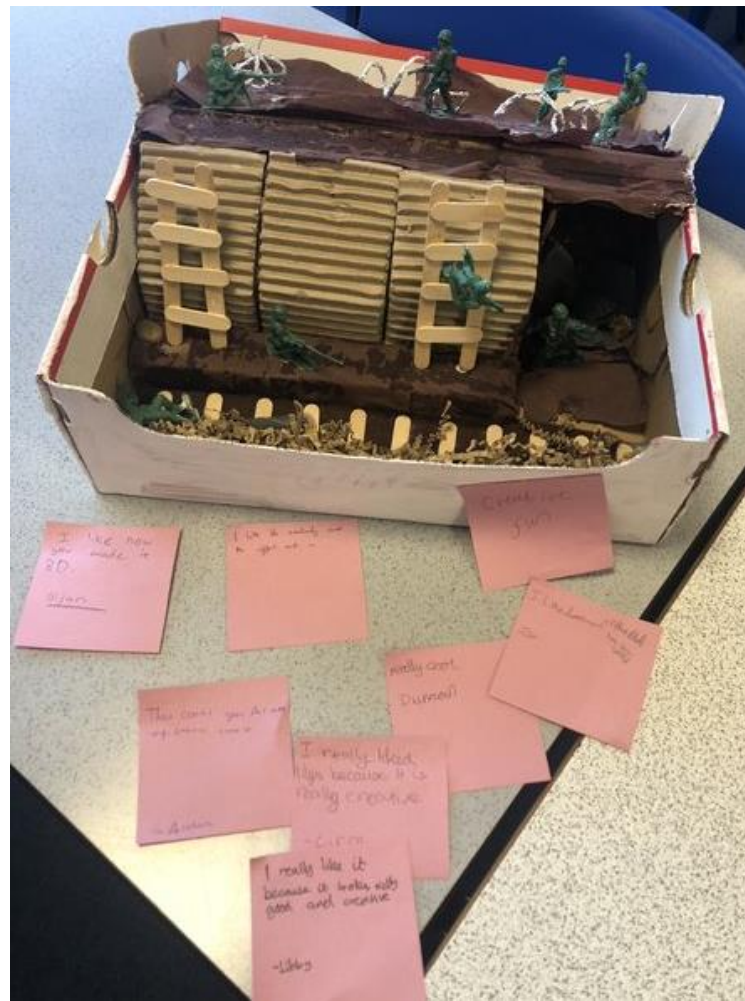
Turing House School raised £125.67 for the Poppy Appeal 2022. This amount was collected on behalf of the Royal British Legion Twickenham Branch.

Dates for your diary:

- 14th December – School Christmas Dinner**
- 15th December – Christmas Jumper Day/Last Day of Term**
- 29th/30th March – We Will Rock You school show**

World War One English Projects

Ms Lewis's English class, 7C/En2 created an art gallery in the classroom for their magnificent World War One projects. Artefacts on display included fascinating presentations on the trenches, letters written home from soldiers and Lily's beautifully intricate recreation of a WW1 trench from a shoe box. The students enjoyed strolling around their wonderful homework and wrote positive comments on post-it notes for each of the items. Well done, Year 7, for being so creative and resourceful.



Remembering the Holocaust

Today marks 84 years since the first Kindertransport train arrived at Harwich train station carrying 200 Jewish children. They arrived from a Jewish orphanage in Berlin that had been destroyed just a few weeks earlier during Kristallnacht.

Today, we remember those children, separated from their families and everything they knew; and we remember their parents - most of whom were murdered in the Holocaust. As we remember, we pledge to continue to educate about the horrors of the Holocaust and its lessons.

In January, we have arranged for all Turing House students to hear from a second generation survivor of the Holocaust who will tell the story of their family members. More details will follow in the New Year.



English Poster Design Competition

Year 8 have been enjoying Akala's 'The Dark Lady', set in Shakespeare's London. This week, students in Ms Andrews' class held a poster design competition for homework. Students voted, and the winning poster is by Lily T. We love how this captures the beauty and mystery of London at the time. Well done, Lily!



History Christmas Competition



Online mentoring for students



Students from West London are invited to participate in a free, online mentoring scheme, funded by the Mayor of London, for 14–18-year-olds who may be interested in career within the STEM industry, or simply want to know more about it.

This is a great opportunity for you to receive personalised careers guidance from a STEM professional.

The programme lasts 12 weeks between January and April or April and July 2023.

If you are interested, please see Mr Hall in 2.02 at the start of lunch on Monday 5th December.

Dr Frost Maths Class Competition



The race is still on to accumulate as many DFM points as possible before Friday 9th December! The Maths Dept are in fierce competition to see whose classes in Y7 & 8 will come out on top!

Year 11 Christmas Decorations

Year 11 have been busy this week decorating their tutor rooms for our upcoming competition. Well done and may the best form win!



Careers Fair – Help needed!

Turing House are holding their first ever Careers Fair on Tuesday 18th April 2023 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm! Thank you so much to all the Parents/Carers who have already signed up to participate.

We are hoping to have representatives from a wide variety of careers available for our Year 10/11 & 12 students and their parents to widen their knowledge of the vast array of opportunities open to them in the future.

Are you able to help us in any way? Do you run a company or have an interesting job that our students may be interested in?

Are you willing spend some time telling them about your experience in the workplace/your career path?

If you feel this is something you are able to do, please contact us on info@turinghouseschool.org.uk with a brief overview of your career/company/contact details and we will be in touch with further details.

Christmas Library donations

Each Christmas, many parents choose to donate to the library as a way of saying 'thank you' to staff here. If you would like to donate, we are in need of more non-fiction books and graphic novels. Please select books from the following book lists. Thank you very much to anyone who gifts us a book.

Fiction: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3OHZ1M6U9CLY0>

Non-fiction: <https://www.waterstones.com/booklist/3107451/vi-ki-veale-turing-house-school-library>

Christmas Lunch – Wed 14th December

Our date for our Christmas Lunch is Wednesday 14th December. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch, **bookings are open on Parent Pay from now until Mon 5th Dec as a separate item.** The cost is £2.55; please state any dietary needs for your child.

If a student does not wish to have a Christmas meal, then they must bring a **packed lunch** for the day as no other food will be available for purchasing.

Students eligible for **Free School Meals** will automatically be provided with a full Christmas meal so there is no need to pre-book if your child is on Free School Meals.



Year 7 Rugby League Tournament

Having had the year 9 and 8 rugby teams compete in the borough rugby league tournament, it was now the turn of the year 7 team to do the same as they took on various schools with the hopes of going on to represent Richmond in the regional stages of the tournament. Having never played rugby league before, the Turing team came up against three very well drilled sides in the form of Richmond upon Thames, Richmond Park Academy and Teddington. The first two schools were able to hit the ground running, but the boys managed to find their form against Teddington as they finished in third place in the tournament. Well done to all involved!

Year 7 Boys Rugby vs Christ's

The Year 7 boys had their first rugby fixture of the year last week which took the form of a friendly match against Christ's School. The Turing team - with some playing their first ever game of contact rugby - were up against a well drilled side who applied relentless pressure for the majority of the match, denying us the win. While the result may have not gone our way, the boys not only defended outstandingly for long periods of time but also represented the school superbly through positive attitudes and encouragement. Well done to all involved!



Years 7-9 Girls Touch Rugby Tournament

Teddington Rugby Club hosted their second annual touch rugby tournament for girls in years 7-9. This tournament comprised of a large number of schools who all get to compete against one another in a touch rugby-packed afternoon. The Turing team managed to beat their previous year's effort as they won one and drew one game among a series of challenging matches. They did incredibly well as they improved on their line speed and ability to spread the ball. Well done to all involved! In addition to the after-school rugby club which runs every Thursday for girls in all years, Teddington RFC are also looking for any girls who would like to join their girls rugby training (information below).



TRFC GIRLS RUGBY

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PLAYERS TO JOIN THE JUNIOR GIRLS SECTION OF TEDDINGTON RUGBY CLUB. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY, ALL GIRLS FROM YEAR 7 TO 11 WELCOME. MID WEEK TRAINING AND SUNDAY MATCHES OR TRAINING AT TEDDINGTON RFC

Any questions/enquiries please contact:
junior-girls@teddingtonrfc.co.uk

COME AND JOIN THE TEAM



Year 10/11 Girls BasketBall vs HH

The combined Year 10 and 11 girls' basketball team took on Hampton High this week, where they managed to bounce back from their previous defeat by pulling off a stunning victory away from home. The Turing team not only looked for every opportunity to counter with the fast break, but they kept their shape in defence as they didn't concede a single basket at any point - very impressive! The girls head into their next match full of confidence, which is against Waldegrave next week. Well done to all involved!

Year 8 Boys Middlesex Rugby Festival

The Year 8 rugby team spent their Monday this week taking part at the Middlesex Rugby Festival. The festival runs each year but this was the first time we had entered a Turing team - hopefully something we get to do each year. The boys finished third in their pool as they lost against St James and Orleans Park but beat Ealing. This qualified them for the Shield Tournament in the afternoon, where they came up against familiar opponents Richmond upon Thames, St Richard Reynolds and Grey Court. The Turing team managed to beat RTS, draw with St Richard Reynolds and lost narrowly to Grey Court, meaning they finished second in the Shield. Well done to all involved!



Richmond Rugby Club Christmas Camp

Richmond Rugby Club are running a Christmas multisport camp alongside their FUEL camp. It is £30 a day, and a hot meal will be provided. They provide a unique experience where young players can challenge their abilities, learn new skills, set challenges for themselves, and improve their problem-solving and leadership skills. All while being in a safe and enjoyable environment coached by DBS clear, level 2 qualified coaches. Children aged 5 - 16 can enjoy the opportunity to train. Please see the link below for the booking system. <https://www.clubs-hub.com/community-group/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=57395>

Knights Basketball Christmas Camp – Year 7



KNIGHTS BASKETBALL

BATTLE CAMP
Platinum

**EARN YOUR ARMOUR
LEARN NEW SKILLS
PASS THE LEVELS
EARN YOUR ARMOUR**

YEARS GROUPS: 1-7
DATES: 19TH DEC - 23RD DEC
TIME: 10.00-15.00
VENUE: WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
COST: £39 FOR 1 DAY
£159 FOR 5 DAYS

EARLY DROP OFF IS BACK! DROP OFF FROM 9AM FOR £5 PER DAY!

**TO BOOK VISIT THE WEBSITE
WWW.KNIGHTSBASKETBALL.CO.UK**

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Knights Basketball Christmas Camp Yrs 8-11



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BATTLE CAMP
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**NEXT LEVEL SKILLS
EARN YOUR PLATINUM ARMOUR**

YEARS GROUPS: 8-11
DATES: 19TH DEC - 23RD DEC
TIME: 16.00-19.00
VENUE: WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
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Girls Football Opportunities - Christmas

Please see the next page for some opportunities for girls to play football all for FREE.



Community Sports Trust

SQUAD
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

NEW Squad Sessions
Springwest Academy **FREE**

Age: 12-16 years old

When: Fridays (excluding Friday 28th October)

Time: 16.00-17.00

Location: Springwest Academy
Feltham Community College, Browell's Lane
Feltham, TW13 7EF



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Community Sports Trust





Girls Only Football Camp
Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub

Come and join us for our girls' football camp at Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub, delivered by our experienced football coaches.

Date: 21st December

Time: 10.30-14.00

Age: 6-16 year olds

Cost: £10 deposit (refunded if your daughter attends)

Location: Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub
Popes Lane, London, W3 8LQ

Scan the QR code above to register

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Squads – 12-16 year olds

The aim of this new and exciting programme is to provide girls between the ages of 12-16 with a fun, relevant and engaging recreational offer that allows them to develop themselves as much as their football skills in a safe, inclusive environment.

To <http://faevents.thefa.com/bookevent?eventID=5886> **Register:**

Girls Only Holiday Camp – Gunnersbury Park

Come and join us for our **FREE** girls' football Christmas Camp at Gunnersbury Park. Our football camp is delivered by our experienced football coaches who have expert knowledge of girls' football.

The camp will include learning new football skills, playing matches, and having fun in a safe environment. No prior football experience is required. Please supply your daughter with a packed lunch on the day (no nuts are allowed as a safety precaution). We will not be providing food on the day.

To <https://www.brentfordfcst.com/event/gunnersbury-girls-camp-22/> **Register:**

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Amber Llyod, Football Development Manager on 07436 335938.

Change to South Western Railway

New timetable from 11th December 2022

As you may already be aware, South Western Railway will be introducing a new timetable from 11th December 2022. As was announced earlier in the year this will largely be consistent with the current timetable, although with some optimisations where possible. Examples are included in the press release below, which was issued last month.

The optimisation and improvement being done means that the timings of many services will change from the 11th December (for example departing a station slightly

earlier or later than currently). We are carrying out a customer awareness campaign to make sure people are aware of the changes and would encourage everyone to check train times before traveling. The new timetable is now live and available in our journey planner as well as PDF timetables on our website.

Free Taster Session Harlequin Amateurs RFC

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HARLEQUIN AMATEURS RFC

Boys and Girls between 3-18, Adults and Vets

Are you interested in playing rugby?

Come and play rugby with a fun and inclusive club and learn to play the Harlequins way



Training and Matches

When: Adults and Vets - Saturdays
 Mini and Youth - Sunday Mornings from September to April
 Where: Bushy Park, Hampton Wick, KT1 4AZ

Interested?

Contact: membership@harlequinrugby.co.uk
 Web: <http://www.harlequinrugby.co.uk>



Volunteers Needed



Volunteer. Because childhood can't wait.

If you have **parenting experience**, a few hours spare each week and want to make a difference to a local family, join our network of trained volunteers, helping families with young children through challenging times. **Free volunteer course** runs in **Whitton** on Tuesdays

9.30am-2.30pm from 31 January to 21 March 2023 (not 14 Feb).



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