

Headteacher's Update

6th January 2023

Message from Mr O'Sullivan

Happy New Year to all of our Turing families. I do wish you the very best for 2023. Even though it has been a short week it has still been a busy one. Year 11 and Year 13 mock exams have been analysed and I am pleased to say the trajectory is positive. Year 13 students have been receiving university offers over recent weeks, which is fantastic; Balrohan has already received offers from four of his five choices!



Over the last year we have begun to work with a charity called Believe whose mission is to help as many young people and their families to deal positively with the

challenges and trauma caused by mental health issues. To support this charity, staff at THS will be taking part in the '10 for 10,000' Challenge. Held over 2 consecutive weekends in June, our challenge will see Mr Quigley and Mr Coombes completing a 10,000 foot skydive and Miss Riglin, Mr Jacks, Miss Winstanley, Mrs Johnson, Mr Quigley, Mr Millar, Mrs Short, Mr Coombes, Mr Berrett, Miss Shilton, Mrs Lamb, Mrs Gould, Miss Loudain, Mr Winstanley, Mr Tse-Lawrence, Mrs Skinnard, Mr O'Sullivan and Miss Fan running a 10k. The charity's aim is to raise at least £10,000 to help support the

emotional wellbeing and mental health of the most vulnerable young people across the country. Please get behind our staff by donating here https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/22173#!/DonationDetails



GCSE Spanish revision sessions

Spanish GCSE revision: Foundation - Tuesdays with Mrs Harman, 3:00 - 3:45pm.

Spanish GCSE revision: Foundation (same as Tuesday for those that can't make it due to other intervention sessions) - Thursdays with Miss Shilton, 3:00 - 3:45pm.

Spanish GCSE revision: Higher Thursdays with Miss Ramnarine, 3:00 - 3:45pm.

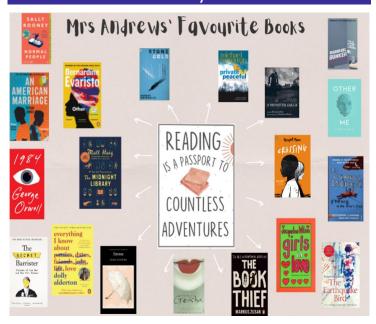
We look forward to seeing you there, Year 11!

Wishing you all a very healthy and happy 2023!

Dates for your diary:

Sixth Form application deadline – 13th January
29th/30th March – We Will Rock You school show

Books recommended by Miss Andrews



Normal People by Sally Rooney

An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

Stone Cold by Robert Swindells

Girl, Woman, Other by Bernardine Evaristo

The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

1984 by George Orwell

The Secret Barrister by The Secret Barrister

Everything I know about Love by Dolly Alderton

Emma by Jane Austen

Memoirs of Geisha by Arthur Golden

The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak

Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo

A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness

Crossing by Manjeet Mann

Girls in love by Jacqueline Wilson

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by

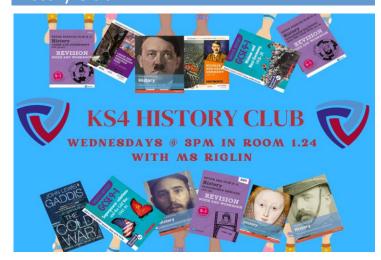
Mark Haddon

The Earthquake Bird by Susanna Jones

Other Me by Elen Lewis

Diario Del Bunker by Kevin Brooks

History Club



A-Level Spanish trip

During the last week of term on Tuesday 13th December, a group of A-Level Spanish students took part in a film study day at the British Film Institute. They were exposed to a multitude of views from two university lecturers on 'Pan's Labyrinth' by Guillermo Del Toro. This film is a key part of their Paper 2 and students thoroughly enjoyed the day. Luke Rowe in Year 12 said that the study day 'allowed me to be able to see the entire film from a different perspective'.



Jack Petchey Speak Out Workshop

On January 20th, Mr Stevens will be holding a Speak Out! workshop lasting the whole day for a group of Year 10s. The Speak Out challenge is run by the Jack Petchey foundation and been going since 2006. It is a brilliant opportunity for helping students to find their inner voice, as well as impressing their teachers and peers.

At the end of the day, certain students will be selected to compete in a national competition in front of a panel of judges - this will help improve students' confidence in public speaking. The challenge culminates in a grand final, usually held at a West End theatre, where students will deliver thought-provoking and uplifting speeches in front of another prestigious panel of judges for the chance to win an incredible cash prize for their school and themselves.

Overall, Jack Petchley's Speak Out! challenge is an amazing chance for students to develop confidence and improve their public speaking and has been praised by many teachers. We can't wait to see what they come up with!

Music



MUSIC AT TURING HOUSE



I am the new Head of Music here at Turing House School and I would like to let you know of some exciting opportunities for your child starting in January.

Firstly, we have strong links with Richmond Music <u>Trust</u> and I have been in touch with the aim to get many more students learning an instrument. Learning a musical instrument at a young age has a multitude of benefits and I am including this short video for your information; https://youtu.be/ROJKCYZ8hng

There are many tutors available in most instruments including; piano, guitar, drums, voice, violin, viola, cello, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, French horn, I am attaching a link that will take you to the Richmond Music $\underline{\textit{Trust_information}}$ and sign up page. https://www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/site/tuition/learn-with-us/apply-now/

Lessons take place at school during the school day and work on a rotation basis to avoid missing 30 minutes of the same lesson each week. Tutors will be arranged depending on the demand for instrumental tuition but with the aim to start from January through to the

In addition to instrumental lessons, I am starting some music ensembles in January. I have changed the timings for these clubs as I believe it is important to start a rehearsal with all members from the beginning and to work as a committed team. This will hopefully help to build numbers and progress the skills of the ensembles. The clubs are on a separate flyer attached to this newsletter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with further queries on j.yard@turinghouseschool.org.uk

Jennifer Yard









Monday	Tuesday 2:50-1:15	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 PRACTISE/ KEYBOARD CLUB 0.15		TURING HOUSE VOICES yr 10-13 0.13	KS3 BAND	
ORCHESTRA 0.15	3:10-3:55 <u>KS3 CHOIR</u> 0.15		GUITAR CLUB	



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Year 7 Boys Basketball vs Twickenham & Lampton

The Year 7 basketball team got their Junior NBA fixtures underway just before the Christmas break. They hosted Twickenham and Lampton, playing both matches backto-back. Despite best efforts in defence, the Turing team came up against a tough Lampton side, but managed to bounce back in the second game and found their form against Twickenham. The boys finished the afternoon with one win and one loss. Well done to everyone involved!

Year 8 & 9 Girls Basketball vs St Richard Reynolds

The Year 8/9 girls played their final match of their basketball league, having been delayed from last term. They took on a strong St Richard Reynolds team at home this week. The Turing team looked set in defence at times and showed some organised attacking play of their own, but the visitors were too accurate from inside the key as they managed to keep the scoreboard ticking over. Although they might not have won on this occasion, the girls secured a fourth place finish in the overall league standings - a great mark of progress from the previous year. Well done to all involved!



Year 8 Boys Basketball vs Rutlish

The Year 8 football team played their third round Surrey Cup fixture away to Rutlish School this week, with a spot in the quarter finals up for grabs. The scoreboard suggested a close encounter, but the Turing team dominated throughout the match. Despite their control over both possession and territory, the boys fell short by one goal as the final result finished 4-3 to the home side. A tough defeat to accept, the team can be proud of their performance regardless. Well done to all involved!

Year 11 Boys 6-a-side Football Tournament

Hampton High are hosting a 6-a-side football tournament for each year group this term, kicking off withe the Year 11 team this week. There were five other schools in attendance so a round robin tournament was held. The Turing team got off to a great start beating Richmond upon Thames in their opening game. The next four games proved to be close encounters that could have gone either way, as the boys lost three of the games by just one goal. Nonetheless, the team did themselves proud by keeping up with the back-to-back fast paced 8 minutes games. Well done to everyone involved!



Year 7 Parents Bingo Evening



Book your tickets for the Year 7 Turing House Friends Bingo Night.

Adults £3.00, children £2,00 under 6's free.

https://buytickets.at/turinghousefriends/813733

School Catering









SO MUCH CHOICE

modern and traditional main meals from roasts and curries to international street foods with stir fries, noodles pastas, burritos and wraps all made from fresh ingredients every day. There's a great selection of veegetarian and vegan meals plus a tempting salad bar and hearty fresh soups.

of fresh, tasty meal deals up to the free school meal allowance at break or lunch free of charge.

All we ask is that they are nutritionally balanced e.g., Main meal and dessert, hot wrap and flapjack or a baguette and a drink.

