

12th May 2023

## Message from Mr O'Sullivan

We were delighted on Thursday to have the Year 6 families join us for our annual 'Meet the Teacher' event on Thursday. It was great to see all the smiles on their faces and share their excitement about joining us at Turing House. The event itself marks something of a transition as in the same breath, Monday sees the start of the examinations for our students in Year 11 and 13. We wish them all the absolute best for this period.

A while ago I wrote to you with information about a charity called [Bee-lieve](#) that we are currently supporting. With just over a month to go until Mr Quigley and Mr Coombes jump out of a plane at 10,000 feet, we desperately need to start raising money. Please use the QR code below if you are able to make any donation – whatever size - for this great cause supporting our young people's mental health.



The following staff will be running 10km in Woking to raise funds for the charity, as a part of the '10 for 10,000

**Good luck to all our students who are starting their public exams next week!**



Challenge': Miss Riglin, Mr Jacks, Miss Winstanley, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Short, Mr Berrett, Miss Shilton, Mrs Lamb, Mrs Gould, Miss Loudain, Mr Winstanley, Mrs Skinnard, Miss Lewis and Miss Ramnarine.

This week, I also finally got around to holding my Headteacher breakfast for the two students in each year group who have accrued the most positive behavior points. It was lovely to hear how hard these people are working at school, how committed they are to their learning but above all what nice human beings they are. Parents should be really proud. These students are simply doing the right thing because it's the right thing to do and will be successful in life. The photo shows the KS3 students who were far quicker off the mark when it came to getting free food!



**Dates for your diary:**

**First GCSE Exam - 15<sup>th</sup> May**

**Year 10 RP exam - 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Half term 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

## Books recommended by Mrs Curtis



*Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell

*The Versions of Us* by Laura Barnett

*A Monster Calls* by Patrick Ness

*Burial Rites* by Hannah Kent

*Girl, Woman, Other* by Bernardine Evaristo

*The World's Wife* by Carol Ann Duffy

*Home Fires* by Kamila Shamsie

*Beloved* by Toni Morrison

*Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng

*How To Stop Time* by Matt Haig

*Ketchup Clouds* by Annabel Pitcher

*The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

## Literacy Fact – PEA(Point, Evidence, Analyse)

When we are exploring a text, looking at the writer's craft and how meaning can be inferred, there are methods we can use to make our writing more organised and detailed. For example:

- Point: In chapter 5 of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, we see that Frankenstein is fearful of his creation.
- Evidence: The narrator describes how he "escaped" and "rushed downstairs".

- Analyse: Shelley's verb choices convey both a sense of urgency as well as implying that the creation is threatening and something to be feared.

## Year 9 trip to Kempton Nature Reserve

On Wednesday, a group of Year 9 students visited Kempton Nature Reserve with Mr Evans and Ms Fletcher for the afternoon. We met Charlie and Christine who work for Thames Water, who guided us around the reserve and shared lots of interesting facts about the wildlife that can be found there. We saw many different species of bird including a Red Kite, Buzzard, House Sparrow, Greater Spotted Woodpecker, Fledgling Robin, Lapwing, Reed Bunting and a Heron, just to name a few. We were also very lucky to have heard a male Cuckoo bird. We learnt how to use the binoculars and cameras, which enhanced our experience for the day. Since Spring was in bloom, we heard and saw Marsh Frogs (in the picture attached) and six different species of butterfly. The sun was shining and it was a great way to be outdoors and experiencing nature, learning so many different facts about our local area. One more interesting fact that we learnt was about how the reserve is a home to six different species of bats. Mr Evans was quick to jump in and tell us as many scientific facts that he knew about bats, birds and the reserve.





### Year 7 Art

Well done Levi F, Year 7 for drawing this amazing ferret, his favourite animal!



### Year 7 Boys Cricket v Twickenham

The Year 7 boys took on Twickenham in a friendly match last week on the cricket green. With a huge number of students interested in playing cricket, this match was used as a trial for the first league fixture, with two Turing teams of 11 students switching half way through. Everyone put in a fantastic performance and the level of sportsmanship and enthusiasm on show was nothing short of impressive. Another friendly match against Twickenham will go ahead next month. Well done to all involved!

### Year 9/10 Girls Rounders v Hampton High

The combined years 9 and 10 girls rounders team took on Hampton High last week in a thrilling encounter. The Turing team found some good form early on in the match and looked promising with successful runs and tactical batting. They backed up their batting

performance when it came to fielding, although the opposition were set on closing the points gap with some effective batting of their own. This made for a very close game as the match finished with just one rounder separating the two teams. THS emerged victorious with 10.5 rounders to Hampton High's 9.5. Their next game is against Twickenham next week. Well done to all involved!



### U14 Rugby League Tournament

A combined year 8 and 9 boys rugby team were treated this week to a new rugby league tournament - the Elmbridge Eagles Cup. Hosted by Elmbridge Eagles, the opposition took the form of Hinchley Wood, Coomb Boys and Teddington. A Turing team win against Teddington and Coomb Boys, and a draw against Hinchley Wood were the result of some brilliant footwork, safe hands on the ball and monumental tackles in defence. Each game was as exciting as the last and was quite possibly the best school rugby the boys have produced this year. The club is always on the lookout for both boys and girls who wish to experience some rugby league - just speak to the PE Department if interested. Well done to all involved!



### Year 9-11 Girls Football v SRRCC

The Year 9-11 girls football team took part in their long-awaited match against St Richard Reynolds earlier this week. This match was the league decider as both teams reached the final and were looking to finish the year off as borough champions. It was the opposition who got off to a strong start as they comfortably found the back of the net in the first half, keeping THS on the back foot. After the break, the girls were unable to chase the lead that St Richard Reynolds had established, despite not conceding a goal for the whole second half. Unfortunately, their second half efforts fell just short on this occasion, and they had to settle for second. Well done to all involved!

### Musical students

Brothers, Ben H (Year 12) and Billy H (Year 9) are in a band at Powerjam Band Project called 'Late in Tokyo' and are performing this Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May from 3pm on the Riverside Radio stage at Richmond May Fair on Richmond Green. Their performance will be broadcast live on the radio!

They will be joined by lots of great teen bands from the area.

For more info: [www.powerjambands.com](http://www.powerjambands.com)

[www.instagram.com/powerjam\\_band\\_project](https://www.instagram.com/powerjam_band_project)

[www.facebook.com/powerjambandproject](https://www.facebook.com/powerjambandproject)

**RICHMOND MAY FAIR IS BACK!**  
**SATURDAY, 13 MAY, 10AM-5PM**



**LIVE MUSIC ON THE RIVERSIDE RADIO STAGE!**

TEEN BANDS FROM POWERJAM  
 THE HORNETS  
 JANETHAN BAND  
 LIV LAYNE  
 AGE UK UKULELE BAND  
 ST MARGARETS ELASTIC BAND

STAGECOACH  
 RICHMOND BALLET SCHOOL  
 KIDZGOTTALENT  
 OLD VICARAGE SCHOOL

**Powerjam**  
 NOT-FOR-PROFIT BAND PROJECT

**RIVERSIDE RADIO**  
 SWITCH ON  
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## School Uniform Appointment Bookings



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## BOOK AN INSTORE APPOINTMENT

We suggest appointments for all new starters to ensure the perfect fit.

Your schools suggested appointment window is from Monday 24th July - Friday 28th July.

Booking an appointment in this window allows us to maximise the school specific stock at our store and reduces the time taken to serve you.

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SCHOOL UNIFORM OUTFITTERS

The Post-16 programme is not just open to boys, we also have a girls' team (looking to increase to two teams).

For any students in Year 11 or above that are looking for this opportunity:

**Post-16 Boys Trials**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub - Popes Ln, London W3 8LQ

10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm

To Register:

<https://www.brentfordfcst.com/product/post-16-football-education-programme-boys-may-trials/>

**Post-16 Girls Trials**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub - Popes Ln, London W3 8LQ

1pm-3pm

To Register:

<https://www.brentfordfcst.com/product/post-16-football-education-programme-girls-june-trials/>

## Youth Football Club

HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH  
YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

## PLAYERS WANTED

Hampton &amp; Richmond Borough Youth Under 14s

(Year 9 Sept 2023)

Following one of the squad having a successful trial for a Football League Academy our current Under 13 Bucks now have an opportunity to invite new players to join the squad for the next season.

The team train locally on Tuesdays and play in the Conference Division of the Surrey Youth League. Training is run by FA Qualified Coaches.

If you are interested in joining then please contact manager George at [louandgorge@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:louandgorge@yahoo.co.uk)



## Brentford Football Club trials

Brentford's next Post-16 education and football trial dates have been released. This will take place during the May half term.