

Headteacher's Update

9th June 2023

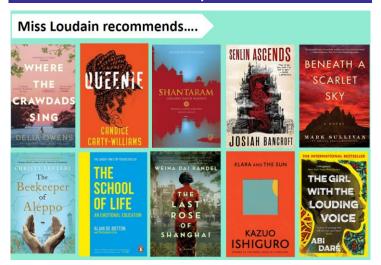
Message from Mr O'Sullivan

Students in Year 11 and 13 have continued to work incredibly hard with their external examinations. With a little over a week left to go, the school wishes them the best.

Our non-uniform day today was a great success and a really positive experience for everyone. Please keep the money coming in to support the Bee-lieve charity. The school has been set a substantial target, so all hep will be greatly appreciated. I am sure you will all be aware that the issues regarding mental health concerns in our young people nationally have been growing exponentially, with waiting lists for CAMHS in Richmond increasing by 25% on our return from lockdown so every contribution will help.



Books recommended by Miss Loudain



Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

Queenie by Candice Carty-Williams

Shantaram by Gregory David Roberts

Senlin Ascends by Josiah Bancroft

Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan

The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri

The School Life by Alain De Botton

The Last Rose of Shanghai by Weina Dai Randel

Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro

The Girl with the Louding Voice by Abi Dare

Dates for your diary:

Year 9 2nd HPV Vaccinations - Monday 12th June

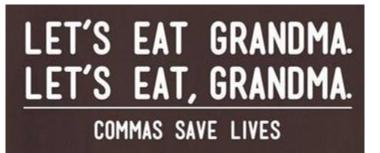
Literacy Fact

'Could have', 'should have' and 'wouldn't have' are phrases that are regularly used but students often replace the 'have' with 'of' because they hear adults contracting all the words together into e.g. 'wouldn't've' which sounds like 'wouldn't of'.

We can use 'could have' to talk about something someone was capable of doing but didn't do.

We can use 'should have' to talk about something someone was supposed to do but didn't.

We use 'wouldn't have' when we are referring to something someone would not have done (generally because we believe it would have been out of character).



Turing House Friends

Calling all TH parents!

Please join us at the Turing House Friends AGM and social on June 28th, 7pm in the Lady Hamilton Room at The Admiral Nelson pub, Whitton.

It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with fellow parents, share ideas, and contribute to our incredible school community.

See you there!

Mental Health Support

We are pleased to offer the following online workshop delivered by the Mental Health Support Team from Achieving for Children.

Online Parent/Carer workshop - Understanding and supporting young people with self-harming behaviours.

Date: 12th June 2023

Time: 6:30-7:30 pm

Venue: Online

This workshop is run by our Mental Health Support Team who work in Turing House. The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is an early intervention, multidisciplinary team of clinical specialists. We provide short term mental health support to children, young people, families/carers and staff in school settings. This workshop aims to provide parents and carers with a better understanding of what self-harm is and discuss strategies to help you support young people with selfharming behaviours.

To book a place on this free workshop please visit: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mhst-workshopunderstanding-self-harm-turing-house-tickets-647020294117

Vaping

As many of you will be aware there has been a real increase in the amount of young people vaping, which is understandably a growing concern for many and within that there is also a growth in the amount of young people vaping THC. THC (tetrahydrocannabinol) is the psychoactive element of cannabis. Also known as 'Dab Pens', 'Wax Pens', 'Dank Vapes', 'Cake Vapes', THC vapes contain THC in the vape liquid to get the user high an alternative to smoking cannabis.

THC vapes do not have a smell and therefore it is easier to 'get away with'. For some young people this is now the only method they use to smoke cannabis and for others they may not know the difference between a nicotine vape, CBD vape or THC vape.

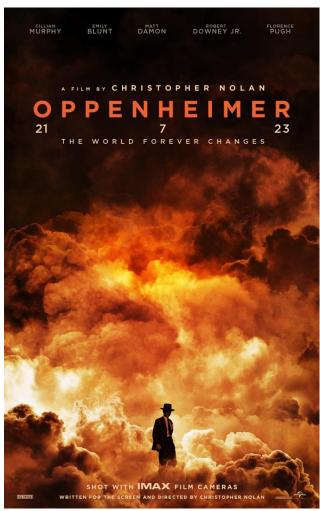
It is illegal to purchase a vape pen under the age of 18 years old and as they are a cannabis based product THC vapes follow the same laws as cannabis – possession can result in up to 5 years in prison.

We have sent home some information around vaping THC that was kindly produced by the Substance Misuse Team at Achieving for Children which also includes details about where to access help.

New history film

Oppenheimer is an upcoming biographical thriller film written and directed by Christopher Nolan, based on the 2005 book *American Prometheus* by Kai Bird and Martin J. Sherwin. It stars Cillian Murphy as J. Robert Oppenheimer, an American theoretical physicist who helped develop the first nuclear weapons.

Oppenheimer is scheduled for release on July 21, 2023, by Universal Pictures. Lots of our students are already excited to watch it!



Year 7 Boys Cricket v Orleans Park

The Year 7 boys continued their quest for victory on the cricket green this week as they travelled to Orleans Park. Choosing to bat first, the Turing team scored 83 runs by the end of their inning with some tactical batting being played in order to deal with the opposition's fast bowlers. Orleans had a few tricks up their sleeve, however, when it came to their turn to bat and they managed to close out the came by surpassing 83 runs within 15 overs. Their final league

match is against St Richard Reynolds which will require a big performance to end the cricket season on a high.

Well done to all involved!

Year 9/10 Girls Rounders v Waldegrave

The senior girls were back in action on the rounders pitch this week, taking on Waldegrave at home. The girls were building momentum prior to the half term break, and they timed a climatic performance perfectly with the start of this half term, right before their final game of the borough league against Twickenham. The Turing team managed to score a huge number of runs which was a reflection of some hard hitting when it was their turn to bat. They backed up their batting with a good showing in field and kept the opposition to a small run score, winning the match by several runs. Well done to all involved!



Year 10 Sports Studies

Well done to all Sports Studies students in Year 10 who helped to run the Borough Sports Championships which took place at St Mary's University for primary schools this week. There were a huge number of primary schools in attendance, so the Sports Studies students were kept busy assisting with the running of each event and the general organising on the day. THS supplied the most amount of students and each one represented the school in an exemplary manner. The secondary school

Borough Sports Championship competition is on Wednesday 21st June!

Summer Fete and Dog Show



Jaguar Juniors Netball

Jaguar Juniors Netball league and Umpiring **Opportunity**

At Green Jaguar Fitness are excited to launch Jaguar Juniors - a netball league with their ethos behind it, to keep players in the game for the enjoyment, whilst learning more about netball. Registrations are open for the Autumn term 2023 and teams that register before the 15th of June will receive a complimentary netball! This is open to teams of any ability. The league will be held at Stanley Primary School, TW11 8UH every Friday. There are also umpiring opportunities for older students (14+) especially for students doing Duke of Edinburgh awards.



