# HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



#### Message from Mr O'Sullivan

Our CEO (who is also Turing House's founding headteacher) contacted me yesterday to say that I had now eclipsed his time in post becoming the longest serving Headteacher in Turing House's short history. Whilst for most this seems inconsequential and trivial, it filled me with immense pride. The school has been on an amazing journey with its students doing wonderful and amazing things. Let's keep up the good work! Last night we held our annual open evening, only our second on the new site. We had over 1700 people in the building visiting departments and listening to a short briefing from me. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Standing out was the feedback about our amazing students who represented the school in the various jobs during the evening. A special thanks to Juliette and Maxime who delivered a confident and passionate speech about how their first weeks had gone.

On Saturday Mrs Collins and I, plus a few members of the EDIT group will be attending the White Ribbon Walk from Whitton Community Centre and ending in



Murray Park. For those of you that are not aware, there is a poster at the end of the newsletter with some information on the campaign to end violence against women. If you feel strongly about this campaign, please come along and support. This event is now even more poignant after the tragic event in Croydon this week.



Year 7 Disco – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please ensure your child has a ticket for our first ever school disco.

**Sixth Form trip to New York & Washington** – the deposit is due by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. There are two remaining places on the **Sixth Form Madrid trip** this December. If you are interested in going, please speak to Ms Ramnarine ASAP. Muchas gracias!



From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, there will be a £10 daily limit for the canteen purchases.

Independent

If you wish this to be higher or lower, please email info@turinghouseschool.org.uk with your child's name and by what amount you want it amended.

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#### Spare bookcase

We are looking for a bookcase for one of our English classrooms. If you are having a clear-out and have a bookcase to get rid of, we would be happy to give it a home. Thank you!



#### A Haunting in Venice film review by Joseph, 8U

"Fear makes people do terrible things," says Hercule Poirot in the latest detective movie, A Haunting in Venice. The film opens in the idyllic city of Venice, where "every house is haunted or cursed." Poirot, who is well into his retirement, is asked by an old friend to attend a midnight Hallowe'en séance to expose a "fortune teller". However, what was meant to be an easy task turns into a terrifying night full of murder, fear and lies. A night where no one knows who to trust. A night where not everyone makes it out alive. The star-studded cast includes Kenneth Branagh (Hercule Poirot), Kelly Reilly (Rowena Drake), Michelle Yeoh (Joyce), Jamie Dornan (Mr Ferrier) and Kyle Allen (Maxime Geralt) to name a few. If you like scares that cause terror to spark your heart, mysteries that make you question everyone and everything around you and fear that poisons your mind at night, then this is the film for you. A Haunting in Venice is an exciting, fast-paced movie that everyone is sure to love. In addition, the film teaches us a very important lesson about perseverance. No matter how many times he falls down, no matter how many obstacles are in his way, Hercule Poirot always perseveres and never gives up. So, what are you waiting for? Go out and watch this film now if you want goosebumps to set up a permanent home on your body.



#### Kingston and Richmond Youth Council

#### What is the KRYC?

Elected by over 6000 of you in March 2022

- We tackle issues the youth find important
- We research and combat issues such as:
  - Climate change
    - Racism
    - Sexual harassment
    - Mental Health

Kingston and Richmond Youth Council

#### What do the KRYC do?

- Host a series of events with a few activities to encourage young people to share their ideas
- Create resources such as workshops and games for schools to get students involved in Politics
- Give a voice to young people raise issues and concerns with decision-makers
- Meet regularly to discuss current issues and plans for solutions

#### March 2024: Youth Election!

- In March 2024, all schools in the borough will vote for the candidates they want on the new Kingston and Richmond Youth Council
- Anyone from Y7-13 can put themselves forward as candidates
- The initial sign up and recruitment starts very soon! (In October)

#### Who can sign up to become a candidate?

- Year 7 upwards aged 11-19
- Live or go to school in Kingston or Richmond boroughs that you're standing in
- Nominate yourself as a candidate

#### What is the election process?

- You will need to self-nominate to sign up
- You will then be invited to an induction and some training sessions (outside of school)

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- You will need to put a campaign together, complete some hustings and then in March everyone will vote for candidates
- If you are successful, you will be invited to join the Youth Parliament or Youth Council

#### What makes a good candidate?

- Writing a good manifesto
- Public speaking
- Debating
- Campaigning
- Representing others
- Confidence
- Empathy
- Connecting with people
- Creativity

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#### This sounds great! What next?

- If you are interested in nominating yourself, please see Mrs Johnson in 1.25 to let her know
- The link to nominate yourself: https://www.minomination.com/afckryc
- This has also been uploaded to Bromcom!

#### Sixth Form – Register to vote campaign!

Calling all Sixth Formers (and anyone 16 or over!) – you can register to vote! Following Mrs Johnson's assembly this week, you will all be clued up about what voting is and why it is so important. The next election to decide our Westminster Parliament will take place before December 2024. Get yourself ready by registering to vote and starting to research the main political parties, what they stand for and who might run as a candidate in our local area.

Registering to vote takes less than 5 minutes, and all you need to hand is your National Insurance Number.

## If you register, find Mrs Johnson in 1.25 for a chocolate reward.

Use this link: www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

Or this QR code:





#### Year 11 Boys Football v Hampton High

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The Year 11 boys got their league campaign off to an entertaining start earlier this week when they took on Hampton High at home. The match proved to be a catand-mouse style of game as both teams enjoyed periods of being on top as they exchanged chance for chance. Going into the final minute, the game was tied at 3-3. Just when there looked to be no winner on this close occasion, the visitors were awarded a penalty, giving them a chance to see out the game. The ball was netted from the spot; Turing hearts sunk. 4-3 was the final score but the boys played very well and did not give up at any point. Their next game is against Teddington. Well done to all involved!

#### Sixth Form Girls Football v Grey Court

The Sixth Form girls (which also had a few Year 11 students representing us) claimed their small but significant slice of Turing House history this week as they took part in the school's first ever Sixth Form girls football match. They took on Grey Court and were playing at home, making the occasion that little bit sweeter. What's more, not only did the girls work well together and enjoyed their opening match, but they went on to claim victory in what can only be described as a show of footballing force and dominance, reflected in the score at the final whistle - what a performance. Well done to all involved!



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#### Year 8 Boys Rugby v St Richard Reynolds

The Year 8 boys faced St Richard Reynolds at home on the rugby pitch this week. The visitors got off to a flying start with two well-worked tries. However, it wasn't long before the Turing team found their groove - a flurry of breakaway tries from some strong ball carriers, and some tries coming as a result of shipping the ball wide and showing pace down the wing, meant that the boys ran away with the match and secured a dominant win. They are hoping to finish second in their side of the league which would see them play the other second best placed team. Well done to all involved!



#### Year 7/8 Girls football v Twickenham

The combined Year 7 and 8 girls faced Twickenham at home in this week's football fixture. The Turing team were determined to bounce back after a defeat in their opening game in the previous week, and they did just that. Starting off with some strong defending as the opposition looked to press early, the girls then worked hard to win and keep possession of the ball and create chances which they capitalised on, giving them a lead at half time. The girls did not take their foot off the gas in the second half as they went on to win the match 3-1 in spectacular fashion. Attention now turns to their next game which is against Waldegrave next week. Well done to everyone involved!



#### Sports Clubs

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**Richmond Netball Camp** 



Would you like to try rugby in a friendly, fun environment with great coaching?

Come for a free taster session!

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#### White Ribbon Walk



#### END MALE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Show your support to ending violence against women and girls on the <u>WHITE RIBBON WALK</u> in Heathfield and Whitton, encouraging people to make a stand, help raise awareness and call out abusive behaviour.

#### Richmond Council invites you to join us at 2PM SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

We will be starting at Whitton Community Centre, walking along the High Street past the Library and ending in Murray Park.

### IN THE UK...

A WOMAN IS MURDERED EVERY 3 DAYS

1.7 MILLION WOMEN OVER THE AGE OF 16 EXPERIENCED DOMESTIC ABUSE

97% OF 18-24 YR OLD WOMEN IN UK AGED HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY HARASSED AND ONLY 4% REPORT THE INCIDENTS...

80% OF ALL WOMEN HAVE BEEN SEXUALLY HARASSED IN PUBLIC SPACES

A WOMEN IS MURDERED EVERY THREE DAYS

For more information about the White Ribbon campaign visit www.whiteribbon.org.uk or just scan the QR Code.





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