

Message from Mr O'Sullivan

I am excited to share an inspiring initiative undertaken by the local headteachers in Richmond and Kingston to support young people's mental health. As part of our commitment to fostering the well-being of our students, we are rallying behind Bee-lieve, an organisation dedicated to enhancing mental health support for young individuals up to the age of 18 and their families in South East England.



Mental health challenges among young people are more prevalent than ever, and the need for comprehensive support systems has never been more critical. Anxiety, depression, stress, and low selfesteem are issues that many of our students face affecting their ability thrive both daily, academically and personally. Recognising this

pressing need, the headteachers of Richmond and Kingston have embarked on a commendable journey to raise funds by cycling to Poole for our annual conference.

Bee-lieve plays a pivotal role in providing mental health services and organising social and physical activities that foster resilience and self-confidence in young people. Their mission aligns closely with our own educational goals: to equip students with the skills and support they need to navigate life's challenges and grow into informed, confident, and responsible members of society.

The crowdfunding campaign aims to raise £500, a modest yet significant target that will contribute to the vital services Bee-lieve offers. Every donation, regardless of size, brings us one step closer to achieving this goal and making a tangible difference in the lives of our students.

Our headteachers' journey is not just a fundraising effort but a powerful statement of solidarity and commitment to the mental health of our youth. It highlights the importance of community support in addressing mental health issues and underscores the role of educators in advocating for the holistic wellbeing of their students. As you can imagine, I hope that my own recovery continues and I will be able to take part in this event.

As we continue this journey, I encourage you all to visit the JustGiving page for Richmond and Kingston Headteachers to learn more about the campaign, Bee-lieve, and how you can contribute. Your support, whether through a donation or by spreading the word, is invaluable.



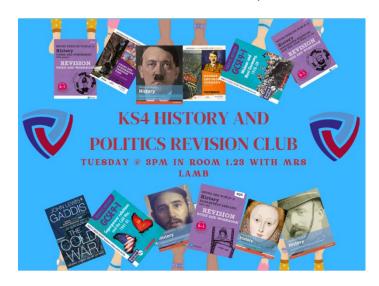
Wc 27th – 31st May – Half term. Monday 3rd June - Back to school. 3rd June to 11th June - Year 12 UCAS

Y10 History & Politics

Now that our Year 11s have started their exams, KS4 Revision Club for History and Politics is being opened up to Year 10!

Please come along to complete some independent revision with the support of Mrs Lamb. This would be great for anyone wanting to improve their grade, or just to keep content ticking over. You will have access to revision guides, textbooks and resources to make some great mind maps, flashcards, timelines, essay plans...whatever you would like to work on!

Remember that the key to revision is little and often; it may feel like a while away but your GCSEs are not far now, and you will be grateful next year to have routines for revision established early.



A degree in English

<u>English Creates Careers: What can you do with a degree in English?</u> | Faculty of English (ox.ac.uk)

The English Faculty at Oxford University are running a careers event which may interest any students interested in studying English further, and thinking about how English can help you in your future career.

It will be hosted by the University of Oxford's Faculty of English as part of the University English #EnglishCreates Campaign.

Join us for this free online event to learn about how the skills you gain from a degree in English can be used in a wide range of careers. Professor Kate McLoughlin and Careers Advisor Julia Sadler will be in conversation with English Faculty alums Patience Agbabi, Dhruti Shah and Flo Graham-Dixon. They will reflect on their career journeys since graduating with an English degree and speak to their rich and varied professional experiences. The event will be moderated by Oxford's English Outreach Coordinator, Kimberly Glassman.

All are welcome! Open to students, prospective students, teachers, educators, parents – anyone who would find the discussion helpful!

Year 12 UCAS/End of Year assessments

Year 12 UCAS/End of Year assessments will start when the students return from Half Term break - these will run from 3rd-11th June. We wish all our students the best of luck!

Mock election Vote



Student fundraising for Alzheimer's

Romy TN in Year 10 is fundraising for the Alzheimer's Society, and any support would be greatly appreciated. Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to the Alzheimer's Society, so it's the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

You can donate to their JustGiving page by clicking here https://www.justgiving.com/page/romy-tamana-

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JustGiving sends your donation straight to Alzheimer's Society and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more.

Thank you for your support!

Sporting Successes

Several Turing House pupils from Year7 (Tom, Fred, Jacob & Eddie) won the U12 Surrey Basketball League Finals playing for Richmond Knights.

A great team effort from all players in a game which was extremely close until the final quarter!

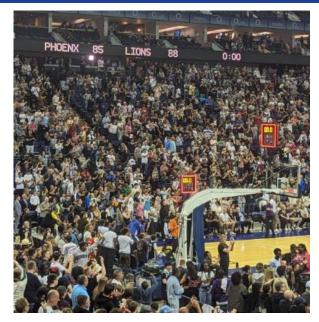




Sporting fixtures

British Basketball League Final Trip

A group of THS students took a trip to the O2 Arena on Sunday to watch the men's British Basketball League Final match which was between London Lions and Cheshire Phoenix. As always, the game offered a highly entertaining spectator spectacle full of twists and turns as both teams battled for the title. The match came down to the very final minute of the final quarter as a three-pointer won it for the home favourites in dramatic fashion. A great day was had by all! The PE Department will also be organising a rugby trip to Twickenham Stadium in September and November to watch England women take on New Zealand and England men against Japan.







Year 7-9 Girls Flag Football Finals Day

Having won their pool with three impressive wins out of three games this term, the Year 7-9 girls were invited to attend and compete in a flag football finals day at AFC Wimbledon. This was where all the winning teams from all the other pools took to the field with the aim of coming out on top and being crowned the overall winning flag football team. It wasn't just about the tournament, however, as there was also a chance to receive some autographs from some of the sport's stars who were in attendance. The girls thoroughly enjoyed the day and performed brilliantly against an array of other talented teams. Well done to all involved!



Year 7/8 Girls Rounders v Teddington

The combined Year 7 and 8 rounders team travelled to Teddington earlier this week. This might have been the wettest rounders fixture ever to have been played as the girls had to face up to some fierce conditions that tested batting and fielding skills to the limit! Nonetheless, the Turing team were not deterred by the weather and put in a great show of resilience. The opposition on this occasion were the ones to emerge victorious as they won 12.5 to 9 rounders, but the girls came agonisingly close to closing the score gap in the second inning. Well done to all involved!



Year 9/10 Girls Rounders v Teddington

The Year 9/10 girls were up against Teddington as well in their rounders fixture. As with the Year 7/8 team, the girls were also battling against the elements as the rain showed no signs of stopping to allow for some more favourable rounders weather. Nonetheless, the Turing team were not to be put off and got stuck in as they concentrated on not losing their footing during a run and securing the slippery ball with some safe hands. The girls came very close to victory, but the opposition managed to out-perform them during their batting inning as they won by just one and a half rounders. They next take on Grey Court after the half term break. Well done to everyone involved!



Student Sporting Success

Congratulations to Fred, Eddie, Tom and Jacob in Year 7 who were part of the Richmond Knights team who won the U12 Surrey Basketball League Playoff Final. The boys and their team were up against some tough competition from the opposing team, Kingston Wildcats. It was an extremely close game that was still all to play for in the final quarter and the win was the result of a great team effort along with basketball skill and determination. What a fantastic achievement. Well done to all involved!



THS Friends



Come support your school, find out more about what goes on and help build a thriving school community

School uniform appointments

Schooldays

Schooldays will again be operating an appointment system during the summer months. You can now spread the cost of your purchases over 3 months using Paypal (Online purchase only). They look forward to welcoming you.

Book your slot early to avoid disappointment at: https://schooldaysllp.co.uk/index.php/booking-form/

Stevensons

Stevensons are now taking bookings for Summer 2024 uniform fittings – via the link below:

<u>Home - Stevenso</u>ns

External Clubs and Notices

An Evening at the Musicals with Richmond Orchestra.

We're pleased to share that our singers have been invited to sing some of your favourite songs from Musical Theatre with our local amateur Orchestra – Richmond Orchestra. Our singers are: Year 7 – Olyver B, Lily F, Isla R, William P, Thomas M, Neil T, Sophie P, Demir Z, Eleanor B, Toby C. Year 8 – Sophie M, Shiloh S; Year 9 – Ida O, Alice D, Luca V, Raffi P, Demi R; Year 11 – Meg D. The students will be singing medleys of songs from Frozen, Les Miserables and The Sound of Music, accompanied by the Orchestra. The concert is on Saturday 6th July at The Landmark Arts Centre, Teddington. Tickets are available here <u>Richmond</u> Orchestra - Landmark Arts Centre - Live Performances

