

Message from 18th July 2025

Mr O'Sullivan

Dear Families and Students.

As we reach the end of another incredibly successful term, it's hard to believe that yet another academic year has flown by. This year has been filled with achievements, growth, and unforgettable moments that have made us all proud to be part of the Turing House community.

Our wonderful Year 7 students have made a fantastic start to their journey with us. Their enthusiasm, curiosity, and kindness have brought fresh energy to our school, and we are so excited to see how they continue to flourish.

At the same time, we've said a fond farewell to our Year 11 and Year 13 students. To them, my message was simple but heartfelt: *Once in the Turing House family, always in the Turing House family.* We are immensely proud of all they have accomplished and look forward to hearing about the bright futures they are sure to build.

I must take this opportunity to thank our incredible staff, whose dedication and passion make everything we do possible. I also want to express my sincere gratitude to all the families who sent such kind emails, cards, and gifts. Your thoughtfulness means the world to our team.

All that's left for me to say is: have a wonderful summer. Stay safe, enjoy every moment of fun, laughter, and rest, and we look forward to welcoming you back in the new term, refreshed and ready for the next chapter.

Warmest wishes

Taken to New Places: Book Club Rewards Events

During the final week of term, students in Years 7 and 9 enjoyed rewards events in the Large Conference Room organised to recognise their perseverance and curiosity demonstrated over several months by attending weekly Book Clubs.

The Year 7 students (and the Year 10 Reading Leaders) indulged in a delicious lunch whilst discussing Maisie Chan's novel Danny Chun Does Not Do Maths. The students reflected upon the novel's funniest moments and the ways in which the protagonist Danny developed his relationship with his Chinese grandma, Nai Nai. Perhaps the students could pick up a copy of Chun's novel titled Keep Dancing Lizzie Chu or find another story about a young person who faces challenges associated with family and friendships.

The Year 9 students, all multilingual learners, tucked into an appetising breakfast whilst discussing Kenny Imafidon's nonfictional memoir That Peckham Boy. The students shared their interpretations of Imafidon's intentions including teaching readers to never give up, to remain optimistic in the face of adversity, and to develop empathy for underprivileged communities. The students should search for another memoir about an individual who learns to make good decisions after having made mistakes.

All students left with a sense of fulfilment, pride and achievement, as well as with certificates, bookmarks and badges. Thank you to the catering team for preparing such tasty food!

Summer presents a wonderful reading opportunity so why not head down to Parade's End Books (Ham Parade, 406 Richmond Rd, Kingston upon Thames KT2 5PU) to grab yourself an enthralling summer read at a discounted rate if you introduce yourself to Rachel as a Turing House School student!





Year 8 Poetry Slam

Last week, Year 8 students took part in our annual Poetry Slam, where students were challenged to write a poem about an important contemporary issue of their choice. The Slam was a huge success, and it was so hard to choose the winners with the student vote coming really close,

and the teacher vote needing much deliberation! One poem that particularly stood out for its uplifting message was this one about friendship.

Two people, one thousand memories by Olive J

Siblings, strangers, teachers

Nothing could compare

To the way I know you're there

To the way you braid my hair

Not everyone could say

They have a friend as well as you

But without you

I wouldn't know what to do

Just like a moon, a sun

A piano, a drum

Two peas in a pod,

An owner and its dog,

Intertwined

Forever

We even go everywhere

Together

My maid of honour

My auntie

My doctor for when I can't breathe

Without you I wouldn't

Know what to do

But honestly

I'd have no clue

Friends forever?

Forever friends?

Always be honest

Never pretend

8 billion people

7 continents

Around 200 countries

And yet I met you

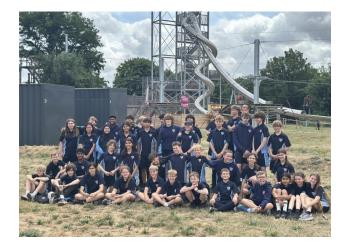
Like I've said many times:

I love you.

End of Year Rewards trip to Gripped

On Tuesday 15th July, the top 10 positive point scorers from years 7-10 went on a reward trip to 'Gripped' in Hounslow. Years 9-10 started off the day by zip lining along a 1000 metre course, while years 7-8 had some fun on the high ropes. Even the teachers had a go (despite some of them being a bit scared)! After having a quick lunch, we headed up to the slides and the net adventure park. Even though the rain picked up, the sun prevailed and we continued to bounce and played some games of tag. We ended the day by taking a group picture in front of the zip lines and everyone had a great time!

By Alice D 10L

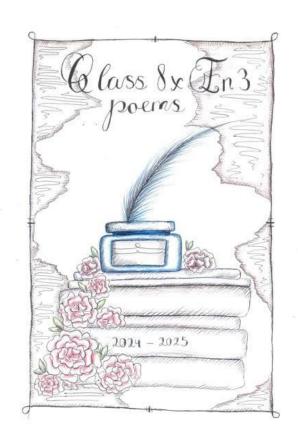


Turing House Friends



Year 8 Poetry Unit Anthology

Please find attached some designs from Year 8 that will appear on the class front cover and back cover of our Y8 2025 Poetry Unit Anthology. The design competition followed our successful poetry slam, whereby students competed to write and perform a poem of their own. Well done to all our winners across Y8 in both the spoken word and design competitions.



1 - By Ruby R



2 - By Rudi T



3 - By Alex McK



4 - By Nagul R

Prize Giving Evening

On Monday and Tuesday evening we welcomed families into the building for our Prize Giving Evening where we celebrated students for the highest Attainment and Progress for each subject and Year Group, as well as the Headteacher's prizes. We were so proud to see big smiles on everyone's faces reflecting the fabulous year all the students have had Turing House. Well done to all that received an award.







Celebration Assemblies

On Thursday, we held our final celebration assemblies of the year. This was a time to reflect on the students who have performed the best over the last half term; accumulated so many positive points; and have had brilliant attendance to school. There was a lot of excitement within year groups as to who would win the coveted Tutor Cup. The final piece in the jigsaw was the results from our fantastic sports day before the winning forms were revealed. Every year thanked their Head of Year and there was a magical atmosphere of celebration.









Less technology, better attendance

We aim for every student's attendance to be at 96% or above!

We are sure that you are aware of the ongoing discussions across the country, and even within parliament, regarding students and their use of mobile phones. This is an important topic that affects our children's health and academic performance.

Our school attendance team, along with the PLUS team, has been engaging in regular discussions with students. Many of them have shared that they are on their mobile phones until late in the evening. This habit is leading to late bedtimes and poor-quality sleep, which in turn affects their focus and performance in lessons.

To help our students achieve better sleep and improve their focus in school, we encourage parents to take the following steps:

- 1. **Limit Screen Time:** Set a reasonable limit on the amount of time your child spends on their mobile phone each day.
- 2. **Create a Plan:** Work with your child to agree on a plan for mobile phone use, including specific times when they should put their phones away.
- 3. **No Charging in Bedrooms**: Do not allow mobile phones to be charged in bedrooms overnight. This simple step can significantly reduce the temptation to use devices late into the night.

By working together, we can help our students develop healthier habits that will benefit their sleep, focus, and overall well-being.



The Kings Trust

The Kings Trust group have spent this half term using old pallets to make new chairs for the outdoor area. They sanded them down and painted them, researched different ways to build the chair and then under Mr Jones' supervision used the tools they needed to saw and screw them together. They make a great addition to the area. The students hope to make more things to sell as part of their Enterprise Project unit next term.







Grief Club

Grief Club met for the final time this academic year with a special activity: creating memory sand jars. As students added layers of coloured sand to their jars, they shared a memory or story about a loved one they had lost. It was a meaningful way to honour those no longer with us and to connect with each other through shared experiences.

Grief Club runs every Wednesday during tutor time and offers a safe, welcoming space for any student who is grieving. The group will continue next year – all are welcome.





Sixth Sense



Year 12 Royal Academy visit

This week the Y12 Art, craft and design class took a visit to the Royal Academy to see the annual Summer Exhibition. The students had the opportunity to see over 1700 art pieces submitted by members of the public. They also got to see an original Tracey Emin and Grayson Perry as part of the exhibition which was a very special treat. We believe they could all show work at the RA Summer Exhibition in the future!









Year 12 VISA reward trip

This week the Year 12s went on a reward trip to 'Jump In' trampolining park in Esher. This trip was not just about fun; it was a well-deserved reward for the hard work and dedication some of our Year 12 students have shown throughout the year. Their commitment to the VISA

(volunteering in schools award) initiative has made a significant impact on our community, and we are incredibly proud of their efforts. The highlight of the trip was undoubtedly the dodgeball games. We look forward to seeing more amazing contributions from our students in the future.

Congratulations once again to Year 12 for their outstanding achievements!



Year 12 Economics High Street Research

This week, our Year 12 Economists used their double period to examine the differences between a small and large business in Whitton High Street. 24 students visited local independent firms and national chains, collecting information that they will use, along with secondary research, to create their own A-Level style case study. This gives them essential understanding and practice of real-life examples and exam style materials.

Year 12 Sports Day

This year marked our first-ever Year 12 Sports Day, held on a sunny, lively afternoon filled with energy, laughter, and healthy competition. The event featured classic favourites like sack races, egg and spoon races, an exciting assault course relay, and the day built up to the super competitive 100m sprints! The build-up throughout the day created a real buzz around the sixth form, and it was fantastic to see both students and staff getting involved and cheering each other on. The sixth formers truly embraced the spirit of the day, making it a memorable occasion for all with face paints and signs. A brilliant effort from everyone – congratulations to all who took part and a huge well done goes to our winners of Sports Day: 12T









Sixth Form Summer Picnic

For a final 'hoorah' for the year, Sixth Form students enjoyed a whole year picnic and a very short game of Rounders, to see out the year and celebrate being over halfway through their A Levels already. There was a lovely array of quintessential picnic foods, from delicate, crustless cucumber sandwiches, to decadent chocolate coated strawberries!

Congratulations on completing your first year of Sixth Form and we wish you all a safe, relaxing and happy summer.







D of E Certificates

In the celebration assemblies this week, we have handed out certificates to students in year 9 who have completed their Bronze awards and year 10 who have completed their Silver awards.

Receiving these awards marks the culmination of months of determination, resilience, and personal growth. All the students who achieved these awards have demonstrated many months of commitment across the three different sections: volunteering, physical activity and skills. This is in addition to the expedition in either the Surrey Hills (Bronze) or South Downs National Park (Silver).

Massive congratulations to everyone!



Bronze Award- Year 9 - 50 students

Lyla B

Lucas B

Maria B

Florence B

James B

Sofiia B

Jasper B

Jameson B

Mitchell B

Elsa C

Daniel C

Christian D'A

Lucy D

Hannah El-S

James E

George G

Sebastian G

Jonathan H
Alexander H
Sam K
Holly L
Charlie L
Kal M O
Aaron M
Jonah McK
Freya McK
Sophie McL
Caoimhe M
Freddie M
Micah M
George N
Pavalan N
Sam O'B
Thomas O
Henry P
Leila P
Rock RS
Kirtan
Eva S
Shiloh
Holly T
Luke W
Sam W

Tom W

Libby Y

Pola Z

Andy S

Harry H

Oliver M

Archie D

Bronze Award - Year 10 (6 students)

Caoimhe G

Holly M

Georgia M

Thomas E

Luke L

Callum R



Silver Award - Year 10 (19 students)

Fred A

Ollie P

Toby R

Kaysan C	
Charlotte HW	
Omar T	
Filippo M	
Luke L	
Alice D	
Eleanor S	
Elli C	
Lily T	
Freddie KS	
Luca V	
Callum R	
Michael C	
Tobias F	
Zakir	
Luke N	

Thank you to our incredible staff

As another school year comes to an end, the Year 8 parents and carers would like to thank all the staff at Turing House School for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Your commitment to supporting our children's learning and development has been much appreciated. From engaging lessons to the time spent helping each student, you have made a real difference. We are delighted to be able to fund the end-of-year hamper as a token of our appreciation for everything you do. Thank you for being so dedicated and committed. We hope you have a fabulous, well-deserved summer break.



Sports Day Results

With Sports Day done and dusted for another year, check out the breakdown of the 2025 results. It was perhaps our biggest and best Sports Day yet and the energy and atmosphere created by every single participant and helper was incredible - there wasn't a single part of the sports field that day that didn't look, sound and feel electric. New as of this year, we are now keeping record of the best Sports Day results. These results are being logged on the school website and indicate the top scores per year group for each Sports Day athletics event. Find the link to the school records here: Turing House School

As sport continues to go from strength-to-strength within our school community it will be great to watch new records come in, and see what records stand the test of time! It was pointed out that Turing House School received a special mention at Richmond's London Youth Games award ceremony recently as the school which contributed more boys than any other to Richmond's multiple squads across the entire Youth Games. This is seriously impressive! And although not directly Sports Day related, it is an indication of just how enthusiastic and passionate our students are when it comes to representing the school, receiving the benefits of engaging in sport and exercise, and thriving in a competitive environment.

We also had more THS girls than ever before taking part in extra-curricular school sports clubs and fixtures this year as participation continues to grow in a very positive direction. Overall, THS took part in over 200 sports fixtures (223 to be exact) throughout the 2024/25 academic year which is a huge amount! Once again, this is largely down to the sheer enthusiasm and joy our students show for sport, whether they are there to take part for fun or to compete. We are

already excited to see what the next academic year has to offer among school sport, but before we get there, here is a breakdown of the 2025 Sports Day results per tutor group, followed by the records for each year groups. Yellow entries are new records this year

Y7 Tutor Points

1st 7L - 1290

2nd 7R - 1110

3rd 7N - 1090

4th 7U - 1080

5th 7A - 1000

6th 7T - 830

Y8 Tutor Points

1st 8U - 1290

2nd 8R - 1160

3rd 8L - 1020

4th 8N - 980

5th 8A - 960

6th 8T - 850

Y9 Tutor Points

1st 9N - 1250

2nd 9A - 1030

3rd 9T - 980

4th 9L - 970

5th 9R - 950

6th 9U - 860

Y10 Tutor Points

1st 10N - 1420

2nd 10U - 1060

3rd 10T - 1040

4th 10R - 920

5th 10L - 770

6th 10A - 690









Twickenham Rowing Club



