



Message from Mr O'Sullivan 7th November 2025

[Turing Singers Music Tour – Disneyland Paris](#)

Earlier this week, thirty-seven students from Years 7-11 went on our first ever Music tour to Disneyland Paris as part of Turing Singers. We successfully auditioned to be a part of the Disney performing arts programme. We were given the incredible opportunity to perform on a Disney stage as well as performing in a professional environment. Our performance had sound and lighting just as a Disney production would, and we were given access to backstage and dressing rooms! To be treated as a working performing arts professional was just incredible.

We performed a set of four songs including Everywhere by Fleetwood Mac, Waving Through a Window from Dear Evan Hansen, Fix You by Coldplay and This is Me from The Greatest Showman. The students were a credit to themselves and to the school. We could not be prouder of them.

Of course, we couldn't come to Disneyland Paris and not enjoy the rides afterwards, and we managed to pack in both theme parks in the afternoon and into the evening time. The

highlights were Space Mountain, a night ride on Big Thunder Mountain, Avengers Flight Force and the Twilight Zone Tower of Terror. We even stayed for the fireworks to end a magical day.

On route home, we visited Paris for a ride on the Bateaux Mouches. We saw many famous Parisian landmarks including the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame and The Louvre.

Thank you to Mr Hopkins, Miss Smith and Miss Ward for taking time out of their half term breaks to join us.

To be eligible for the next tour, you must be regular members of Turing Singers. There's no audition and we meet after school every Monday. We are about to start preparing for the Christmas season with community events as well as our annual Christmas concert to come this term. We look forward to you joining us.



Bienvenidos! Our Spanish Exchange has begun

We are delighted to share that our cultural exchange with students from Spain is now underway! On Wednesday we welcomed 19 students from Spain, and the atmosphere around Turing House has been buzzing with excitement.

The visiting students have already started shadowing lessons alongside their Turing House buddies and have been impressed by the warm welcome from our school community. It's wonderful to see friendships forming and conversations flowing in both English and Spanish.

This exchange is a fantastic opportunity for everyone involved to learn from each other, broaden cultural horizons, and celebrate the values of curiosity and respect that make our school special. A huge thank you to the students who have volunteered as buddies - you are making this experience truly memorable.

We look forward to sharing more highlights as the visit unfolds!





School reminders

Thursday 13th November - Year 11 & Year 13 Mocks start.

Year 11 Media Studies

On Friday 24th October, Year 11 Media Studies students worked closely with Senior Producer and Editor Jonny Curtis on a bespoke TV production brief. Jonny joined our class of 23, splitting students into groups, they were tasked with creatively designing and pitching a production set up that explored Lenny Henry's decades of dedication on his work with Comic Relief. Students

were asked to find a fictitious location and craft a unique set up, alongside making choices around lighting set up, camera choices, costume choices, how they would handle the 'talent', and promotion. The winning team of Toby R, Bertug S, Luke C, Blake P and Destiny designed a set that took careful consideration of the sensitive issues involved in the nostalgic look back over Lenny's work and the many people/charities he has supported. Well done to all those involved and a big thank you to Jonny for supporting our students' media production awareness as part of our current TV topic.



British Theatre Academy – The Minack Theatre

Well done to Joe in Year 12 who spent half term in Cornwall with the British Theatre Academy performing *We Will Rock You* at the Minack Theatre.

Joe played Khashoggi, the second in command to the villainous Killer Queen. A full circle moment for Joe who played hero, Galileo, back in 2023 when we did *We Will Rock You* at Turing!



'I Wish I'd Known' Workshop for parents and carers



We would like to invite you to a drug and alcohol awareness workshop for parents and caregivers led by the drug education charity the Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation. This will be held on **Thursday 20th November at 6pm** and has been made possible thanks to funding from The Richmond Voluntary Fund.

This session provides an opportunity for you to become more aware of what issues face your children, and what you can do to help them stay safe. You can ask questions before the workshop via the online survey link you will receive, and during the workshop itself.

The event will cover:

- levels of young people's exposure to drugs and alcohol – what, where, when and how
- what parents and caregivers need to know about the risks faced by young people when it comes to drugs and alcohol, and the factors that affect the decisions they make
- how to have effective conversations with your child about drugs and alcohol, and practical suggestions for what you can do to support them to stay safe
- how to know and what to do if you have concerns about drug use
- where to go for more information and support.

The DSM Foundation is a drugs and alcohol education charity set up in 2014 by Fiona and Tim Spargo-Mabbs after the tragic death of their 16 year old son Daniel as a result of an accidental overdose of ecstasy. The aim of the charity is to support young people to make safer choices about drugs, which it does through a broad range of workstreams. Find out more at:

<https://www.dsmfoundation.org.uk/what-we-do/>.

Please click the link below to register for the event:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_43aOlG4lRNiqkvchd0Kp8g

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email from the Foundation containing information about joining the webinar.

Turing House OAOA Workshop

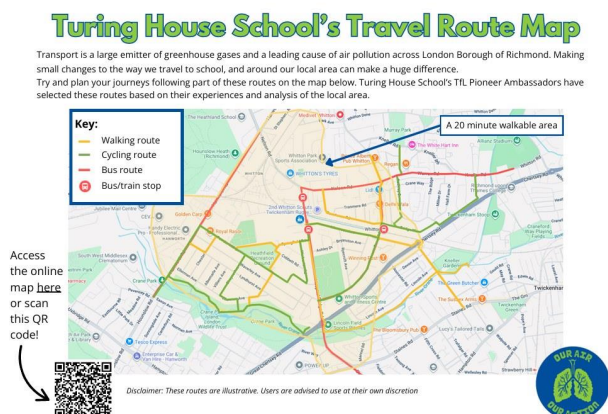
The new Year 8 TfL Pioneer Ambassadors for this year were chosen just before the half term break and then we had our second assembly and workshop as a part of Our Air, Our Action – Richmond Council’s environmental project. This time it all focused on Green and Healthy Travel. Our year 8s learnt about how the travel sector causes air pollution and is responsible for a high amount of greenhouse gas emissions. They discussed how sustainable travel is very important, and the range of social, environmental and economic benefits it has.

In Richmond borough, transport accounted for 71% of total NOx emissions in tonnes per annum (London Atmospheric Emissions Inventory, 2019), and cars make up 51% of road transport’s total NOx emissions (London Atmospheric Emissions Inventory, 2025).

It is so important to think about how you travel to school, meet up with friends, go to different activities and move around the local area. Are you being driven somewhere that you could maybe walk or cycle part of the way?

Small actions make such a huge difference, so we’re tasking all pupils, teachers and staff to try and switch one journey a week to a sustainable travel journey. That means leaving the car at home and switching to either walking, cycling, scooting or taking public transport just once a week. We’re excited to hear how you all get on!

The second part of this workshop involved our TfL Pioneers analysing a range of data sets and using their own lived experiences to plot and create a map which highlights the best walking, cycling and public transport routes around the area. This map can be downloaded onto your phone or printed. You can access it here or please contact Mr Evans to get a copy. Use the map to help plan one of your local journeys.



Turing House Christmas Card Competition

The poster features a cartoon illustration of a green dinosaur wearing a Santa hat and a red scarf, holding a large red 'X' over a Christmas tree. The background is filled with various Christmas-themed items like gifts, snowflakes, and a fireplace. The text on the poster provides details about the competition rules and prizes.

Turing House Christmas Card Competition 2025

Your task is to design an original Christmas Card. The winning design will be digital, so the entries can be any size (A6, A5, A4, A3 are fine). However, as they are digital this means it **must** be a flat design (please nothing shiny and no glitter, beads, origami etc). You could even design it on a computer if you are tech savvy!

Every student who submits a **finished** card will get 5 positive points
All finalists will get 10 positive points
The **winner** will get to see their artwork in print and will receive 30 positive points.

There is also points to be earned for your house -

House with the best overall submissions	2nd best overall submissions	3rd best overall submissions	4th best overall submissions
200 points	150 points	100 points	50 points

All designs must be submitted to Miss MacDouall, Mr Baker or emailed to art@turinghouseschool.org.uk by **Friday 14th November**. They must also have your name and house written on the back.

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.



Grief Awareness Week Event



**CHILDREN'S GRIEF
AWARENESS WEEK EVENT**

THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER – TUTOR TIME

To mark Children's Grief Awareness Week, we are holding a special event for students who wish to honour loved ones they have lost. You are invited to join us in tying a small label with the name of your loved one onto our remembrance tree in the school field. This will be a quiet, reflective moment to remember those who are no longer with us.

There will also be music and biscuits to share.

If you would like to attend, please complete the sign-up form on Bromcom.

On the day, please meet Ms Riglin-Hall and other students in the playground at the start tutor time. Your tutors will be informed of your attendance.

We look forward to seeing you there.

School Lottery



<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/turing-house-school>

Sports fixtures

Year 9 Boys Rugby v Orleans Park

The Year 9 boys got their league campaign underway as they travelled across Twickenham to play Orleans Park. The Turing team are two-time defending champions in this league and they started the game as such, scoring a breakaway try in the opening minutes. The home side then got stuck in and, although there was a lot of impressive THS defending on show, Orleans scored two unconverted tries late on to clinch a dramatic 10-7 win. Fear not, the boys will regroup and go again soon. Training remains on Tuesdays and is open to all. Well done to all involved!

Year 7 Boys Football v Teddington

The Year 7 boys took part in their first football fixture of the Richmond schools league. The Turing team hosted Teddington and were hoping to make a strong start to their campaign. It was the opposition who came out firing on all cylinders on this mild November afternoon as

THS struggled to deal with the players upfront. Despite having to accept a 4-1 loss, the boys still put in a determined shift. Having only played together as a team on just one occasion before, in the Surrey Cup, this is a team that will no doubt grow and improve as they go on. The boys will next play against Richmond Upon Thames next week. Well done to everyone involved!



[Year 10/11 Boys Basketball v Lampton](#)

The Year 10 and 11 boys took to the court once again when they faced Lampton in a basketball fixture as part of their Dynamik League. The first two quarters saw the home team take control as THS were 31-19 down at the halfway point. The Turing team brought it back to a one score game through some colossal efforts in every area of the court, as it stood 42-40 going into the last quarter. A nail-biting finish to the match resulted in a 51-49 loss unfortunately, but the boys could be very proud of their all-out effort particularly in the second half. Well done to all involved!

[Year 8 Boys Football v St Joseph's](#)

The Year 8 boys made the long journey to St Joseph's in Cranleigh to take part in their next round of the Surrey Football Cup this week. Heartbreak was felt early on as two very early goals from the opposition caused enough of a dent in THS hope. The Turing team pressed hard after and desperately looked to make up for the opening blunder, but the team were just unable to

come back on this occasion. They suffered a 4-1 defeat in the end but showed an ability to compete when the pressure was on. Well done to all involved!



[Sixth Form Boys Football v Waldegrave](#)

The Sixth Form team were back in action on the football pitch this week as they travelled to Waldegrave. The home side looked comfortable enough in the first half and made the Turing team think twice about their tactics of choice as they trailed at the break. The boys stuck to their guns, however, in the second, and managed to bring the game back to within their reach once more. That was until the opposition found the back of the net on two occasions late in the game to take a 5-3 win, despite it being a great and even match for much of it. Well done to all involved!



Cover Story 2025 - 2026



South Thames College Group Open Events

The South Thames College Group are excited to welcome prospective students and their families to their upcoming Open Events for September 2026 entry.

November Open Events for 2025-26:



South Thames Colleges Group
OPEN EVENTS
2025/26

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stcg.ac.uk/events

Carshalton College	Kingston College	Merton College	South Thames College
Wednesday 15 October 17:00–19:00	Saturday 4 October 10:00–13:00	Saturday 18 October 10:00–13:00	Wednesday 8 October 16:30–18:30
Saturday 15 November 10:00–13:00	Wednesday 19 November 16:30–19:00	Wednesday 26 November 17:00–19:00	Saturday 8 November 10:00–13:00
Wednesday 25 February 17:00–19:00	Saturday 24 January 10:00–13:00	Wednesday 11 March 17:00–19:00	Wednesday 4 March 16:30–18:30
Wednesday 24 June 17:00–19:00	Wednesday 18 March 16:30–18:30	Thursday 25 June 17:00–19:00	Wednesday 17 June 16:30–18:30
Friday 19 June 11:00–13:00			
Carshalton College Nightingale Road, Carshalton SM5 2EJ	Kingston College Kingston Hall Road, Kingston upon Thames KT1 2AQ	Merton College London Road, Morden SM4 5QX	South Thames College Wandsworth High Street, London SW18 2PP

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