



Message from Mr O'Sullivan 6th March 2026

U16 Basketball Team Storm Into the National Premier League Semi-Finals

News about fixtures normally comes much later, but I wanted to highlight this celebration. On 26th February, our U16 basketball team travelled to St Albans for a highly anticipated Premier National Basketball League quarter-final against a strong and imposing St Columba's School side. What unfolded was one of the most determined, disciplined, and spirited performances our school has produced in recent years. St Columba's came out firing, taking an early lead that they maintained through the first three quarters. Despite the size disadvantage, with several of their players standing over 6ft 3, our squad refused to be intimidated. Importantly, even while trailing, our boys ensured the gap never stretched beyond six points, keeping themselves within striking distance and showing composure under pressure.

Every player contributed something exceptional:

- Pat kept momentum alive with perfectly timed three-pointers, energising the team at crucial moments.
- Oscar, battling through a painful hand injury, showed huge grit and still emerged as our top scorer.
- Freddie K-S was once again our defensive anchor and on-court tactician, reading the game superbly.
- Fred G (Year 9) played fearlessly, outmuscling Year 11 opponents and rebounding the ball at important times.
- Cameron, despite an injured ankle, continued to float in his signature runners with incredible accuracy.
- Joseph delivered a defensive masterclass, shutting down key threats and demonstrating excellent technical skill.
- Amir dictated the tempo as the team's playmaker, moving the ball intelligently and creating opportunities.
- Ollie was vital in building the team's offensive structure, setting strong screens and supporting the flow of play.

With belief building and momentum shifting, our team entered the final quarter with renewed intensity. Their hard work paid off spectacularly as we surged ahead, outscoring St Columba's heavily in the closing minutes. The boys combined skill, resilience, and sheer determination to complete a remarkable turnaround.

The final whistle confirmed an 80–67 victory, a superb comeback and a statement performance on the national stage. This win sends our team through to the semi-finals and highlights not just their talent, but their unity and mental strength. We are incredibly proud of every player who represented the school with passion and professionalism. The whole squad demonstrated what can be achieved when teamwork, perseverance, and belief come together.

Well done, team, bring on the semi-finals!

Forthcoming Dates

13th March - THS Friends Comedy night

24th - 26th March - School Show

Our NFL Flag Team Featured on *The One Show*!

This week marked a huge moment for our school's NFL Flag Football team as they appeared on **BBC's *The One Show*** on **Tuesday**. A film crew visited the school and followed our girls' team to the opening day of the New York Jets season to capture our players in action, showcasing their skills, teamwork and passion for the sport. The highlight of the day was a special interview with **Vernon Kay**, who spent time talking to our students about their experiences in NFL Flag, the growing popularity of the sport in the UK, and what it means to represent the school at such a high level. Our players spoke confidently, represented the school brilliantly, and demonstrated exactly why we are so proud of this group. The feature celebrated not only the athletic ability of the team, but also their commitment, attitude, and the positive culture they've helped build. For our students to be recognised on a national platform is a fantastic achievement and a memorable experience they will carry with them for years to come. A huge well done to everyone involved and keep your eyes peeled for more exciting opportunities as NFL Flag continues to grow within our school community!





February Half-Term Ski Trip – Val di Fiemme 2026

Over February half term, a group of excited (and very resilient!) students set off on the annual school ski trip- and began their adventure with an impressive 24-hour coach journey across Europe. Spirits remained high throughout, and the reward at the end was well worth it: Val di Fiemme greeted us with fresh snow, blue skies, and perfect skiing conditions. Our early arrival on Day 1 gave us time to settle in and enjoy lunch at a local pizza restaurant, before heading out on a short hike through the snowy alpine landscape. The breathtaking views set the tone for the rest of the week.

The following morning, students clipped into their skis for the first time and spent the next 4.5 days exploring three fantastic ski resorts in the region. Every day delivered brilliant skiing conditions- except Thursday, when a heavy snowfall and low visibility provided a very different kind of challenge (and a few memorable stories!).

Evenings were packed with activities, giving students plenty to enjoy off the slopes as well. Over the course of the week, they took part in a lively quiz night, enjoyed a trip to the cinema to watch the new Anaconda film, and got active again with indoor rock climbing, bouldering and football. They also had the chance to explore the town of Predazzo, where the excitement of the ongoing Winter Olympics added to the atmosphere.

Each night also featured our special trip tradition: handing out outfit accessories and helmet covers to students who had stood out during the day- whether for heroic skiing moments, impressive progress, or hilarious (and harmless) 'fail' moments that everyone could laugh about.

On the final evening, our ski instructors joined us at the hotel for a celebratory awards ceremony, where students received a certificate and a medal recognising their achievements, effort and enthusiasm throughout the week.

It was an unforgettable trip full of learning, laughter, and incredible mountain moments.

More photos and videos from the week can be found on Instagram: [@thsski](#)

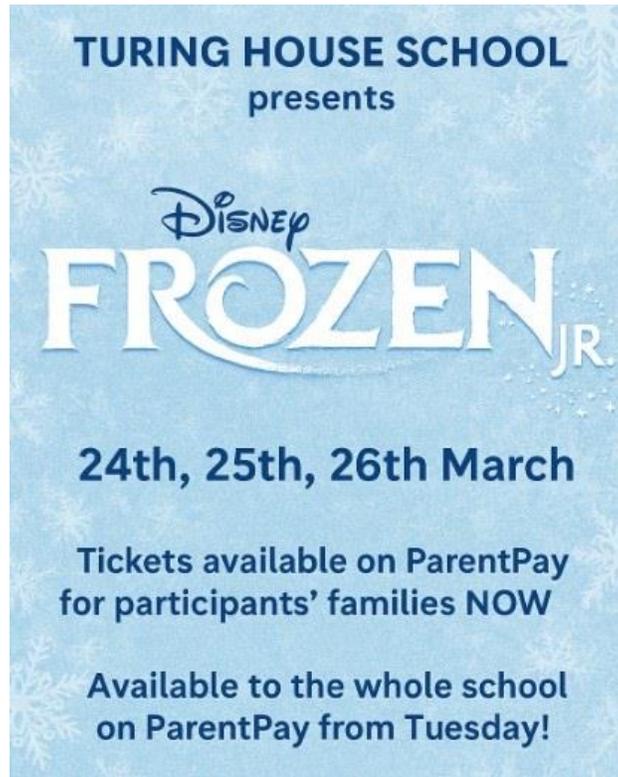








School Show



Upcoming Events for British Science Week 2026

British Science Week returns from **6th–15th March 2026**, and Turing House School will be joining the national celebration with a packed programme of activities running **Monday 9th to Friday 13th March**. This annual event is a fantastic opportunity for students to explore science, technology, engineering, and Maths in creative, hands-on and enjoyable ways.

Spaghetti Tower Building Competition

Taking place **every lunchtime in the hall**, students will compete in house teams to build the tallest spaghetti-and-marshmallow tower.

Monday 9 March – Years 7 & 8

Tuesday 10 March – Years 9, 10 & 11

Wednesday 11 March – Sixth Form

Thursday 12 March – Winners' playoff + Teacher Team

Teams are first-come, first-served via the sign-up sheet outside Room 2.02. Winners can earn **house points, Turing Cards**, and maybe even some leftover marshmallows...

British Science Week Poster Competition

Students are invited to take part in the national poster competition exploring the theme: “**What makes children’s lives positive? What will a positive childhood look like in the future?**” Entries must be submitted via the *British Science Week website*. Turing House will also reward students who share their entry with **Mr Punter before Thursday 12 March**, offering **house points and a Turing Card**.

Daily Riddle, Emoji Challenge & Science Joke Competition

Throughout the week, tutor time will feature a **daily science emoji puzzle** and a **science riddle**—just for fun and curiosity. Students can also tell **their best science joke to Mr Punter** for the chance to win a **Turing Card**.

Year 9 Assembly for National Careers Week

Special Guest: Garfield Carrott Series Director 'Hunted'. Today as part of the Media Studies department's efforts to explore careers in the creative industries, the Year 9's were lucky enough to hear from Series Director of 'Hunted' (Channel 4) about his work and how he makes unscripted TV shows.

Biography:

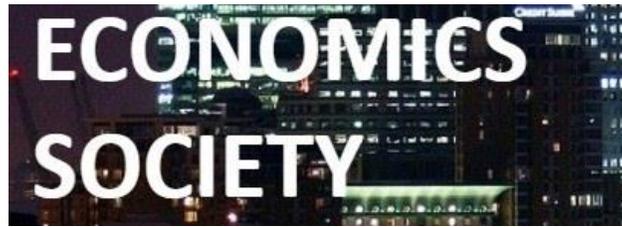
Garfield Carrott is an experienced Series Director known for delivering premium visuals with a focus on editorial storytelling. Over the years, Garfield has worked across various program genres, including entertainment, documentaries, and reality series, collaborating with both seasoned talent and new contributors. Garfield directed notable teams at Lime Pictures and Angel Eye Media Ltd, where they created visually engaging series such as "Dubai: Buying the Dream." Currently, Garfield serves as the Series Director for "Hunted" at Shine TV while continuing to contribute to various productions, showcasing a strong commitment to creative collaboration and engaging storytelling.



A new Economics Society is starting next week

The club is designed for students who would like to know more about Economics and Economics A-Level. It could include covering basic concepts, economic news and guest speakers. Year 10 and Year 11 students with an interest in Business or Economics are being encouraged to join as they can brush up on their knowledge for GCSE Business, get ahead for

studying Economics in the future or just get a better understanding of how our world operates. Join our current economists in 2.07 Thursday 12th March.



Year 10 Market Research Competition

Year 10 Business students recently completed their own Market Research projects. As part of this House Competition, students designed an imaginary business then completed real-life research to inform their decisions on it. Zoe F was the overall winner for her coffee shop business called Hypnos Comfort. She created a presentation on her research that showed a series of questions, both qualitative and quantitative. These questions were presented to her peers and using the data she was able to come up with some excellent business solutions. This was well presented in a clear and logical manner with attention detail being a highlight! Zoe is receiving points for her house along with runners-up Pavalan N, Maria B, and Oli D. There is another chance to earn more valuable House points with the Yr10 Finance Whizz prize later this term.



My Day as an Apprentice

I shadowed Ms Riglin-Hall for a day as part of Careers Week. To start the day, I made sure that all the booths in the IIR room were tidy and well organised. After that I helped Ms. Riglin-Hall with printing and cutting some work out for her upcoming lessons. Then we did some interviews with applicants who want to complete an Internship with us in the summer. This was so fun! After that we did a bit more printing and cutting. And before I knew it, it was break so I went outside with my friends. When we got in from break, I helped organise Ms Riglin-Hall's office. Then we had a class, so I also helped with folding the work we printed. I also delivered

some papers and bits and bobs to the teachers around the school. Once everything was spotless, I went out to lunch. After lunch I helped research some articles ahead of Women's History Month and now I am writing this; I am hoping for more exiting tasks later. Today as an apprentice I have learnt what a teacher does when they don't have a class to teach. To go into more detail, I have learnt how to use a school printer and a guillotine. Overall I have had the best day and most importantly I have learnt new things. I am so glad that I was chosen for this role and looking forward to signing up again next year!

By Annie B, 7R

Year 11 Ace Algebra Exam in January!

We are pleased to report that 16 accomplished Year 11 mathematicians recently tackled the demanding Level 3 Algebra examination in January. This qualification represents a significant challenge for students, demanding a high level of algebraic manipulation and graph sketching skills - many of which come straight from the A Level Maths & Further Maths courses.

Our students approached the paper with dedication and thorough preparation, with afterschool sessions running from the summer term of Y10. We are incredibly proud to announce that their efforts have paid off and congratulate every one of them on passing! 100% pass rate for 2026 is a fantastic achievement for them and the school! This examination is a crucial stepping stone, and provides them with a strong foundation for further study in A-level Maths. Well done!

Jack Petchey - Sea Cadets Awards

Congratulation to Emma Mc and Arran T in Year 9 for their Jack Petchey Award for the Sea Cadets. Well done to you both!





Determined Admissions Policy for Admission in Sep 2027 - Y7-11 and Sixth Form

Following the recent consultation on the school's Sixth Form Admissions Policy, the Russell Education Trust have now determined the Turing House School Year 7 Admissions Policy and Sixth Form Admissions Policy for the academic year 2027-28. Please see below the link to our school website where you can view these policies.

[Turing House School Admissions Policy and Data](#)

Sports Fixtures

Year 7 Girls Netball v Teddington

The Year 7 girls were back in action on the netball court as they faced Teddington this week. The Turing team were looking to bounce back from last week's narrow loss despite showing great team cohesion and a willingness to attack. The girls pushed just as hard as they did in that game but eventually fell to a 10-4 loss at the hands of a well-drilled team. The next challenge for these girls will come in the form of a tournament at LEH School where they will have the chance to test themselves against various opponents. Well done to all involved!



Richmond Rhythm Dance Competition

Last week at Twickenham, a dedicated group of THS dancers took part in the Richmond Rhythm dance competition, competing against a number of other schools from across the borough. The Turing dancers have been putting in a great deal of effort over the past few months as they have been working hard in training, polishing routines and tidying up final bits of preparation. Their hard work paid off as the team were awarded second place by the judges which is a fantastic achievement! Well done to all involved!



Year 9/10 Girls Football v Twickenham

The year 9 and 10 girls took on Twickenham at home last week in their borough league match. The Turing team kept a clean sheet throughout their game and netted four times to soar to a 4-0 win. With the confidence gained from such a convincing and dominant performance at home, the girls will be carrying bags of confidence with them into the next match which they have already had since then, so read on to find out how they got on against Waldegrave. Well done to all involved!



Year 7 Boys Basketball v Teddington

A full squad of Year 7 boys travelled to Teddington to face them on the basketball court this week. A familiar opponent who are often strong in all areas on the court, the Turing team got off to a flying start as they took control of possession early on. Converting their possession into points with some accuracy under the basket, the boys saw out the game with a comfortable 36-16 win away from home. Some of these players are waiting to hear if their Dynamik League

game against Lampton is going ahead soon which will hopefully be their next game coming up. Well done to all involved!



Year 9/10 Girls Football v Waldegrave

Having worked their way to a great victory over Twickenham in the previous week, the Turing team were back to it and hoping to keep the winning momentum going in this week's home game against Waldegrave. A close and competitive encounter unfolded and the game remained even and goalless at half time. The second half began in similar fashion as both teams dug deep and covered defences well. It was the visitors who managed to find a winner as the game ended 1-0 to Waldegrave, but the girls put on a brilliant performance despite the final score. Their next game will be away to Teddington where the girls will look to get back to winning ways. Well done to all involved!



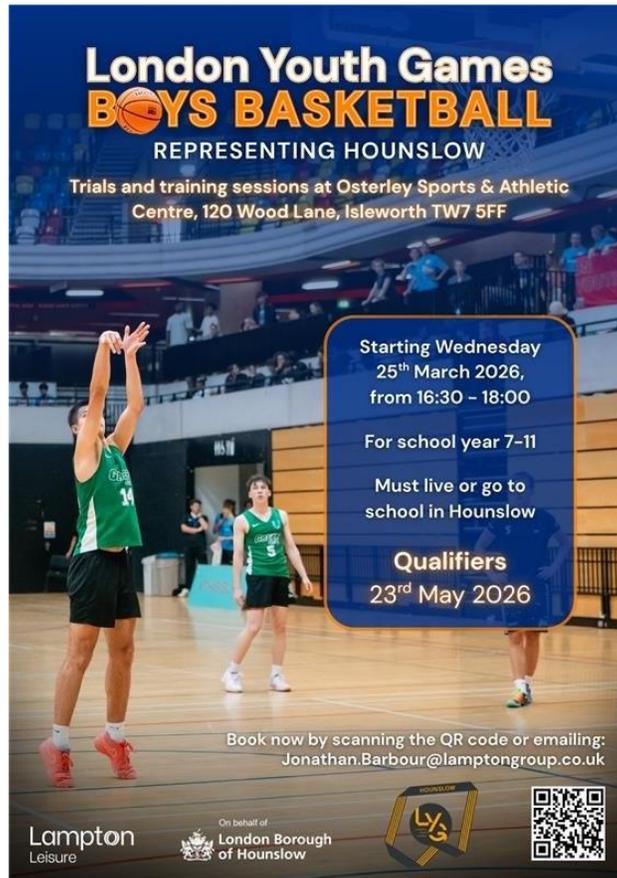
Year 7-9 Mixed NFL Trails

Well done to everyone who turned up for the NFL trials this week, proving to be one of the biggest turnouts we've had as this flag football version of American football continues to grow

in popularity and strength at THS and further afield. The borough is looking to get a mixed league going soon for the first time ever in Richmond secondary schools and we can't wait to be part of it. A team of Turing girls have been trailblazers among thy flag football hype having achieved previous success in their Jets league...and did anyone catch them make an appearance on the BBC television programme 'The One Show' earlier this week!? We loved to see it.



London Youth Games - Boys Basketball

A promotional poster for the London Youth Games Boys Basketball event. The background shows a basketball court with players in green and black uniforms. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top, it says 'London Youth Games BOYS BASKETBALL' with a basketball icon. Below that, it says 'REPRESENTING HOUNSLOW'. The location is 'Osterley Sports & Athletic Centre, 120 Wood Lane, Isleworth TW7 5FF'. The start date is 'Starting Wednesday 25th March 2026, from 16:30 - 18:00'. It is for 'school year 7-11' and participants must 'live or go to school in Hounslow'. Qualifiers are on '23rd May 2026'. At the bottom, it says 'Book now by scanning the QR code or emailing: Jonathan.Barbour@lamptongroup.co.uk'. Logos for Lampton Leisure, London Borough of Hounslow, and the LYG logo are at the bottom, along with a QR code.

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