

Headteacher's Update

9 October 2015

YouID

Turing House makes a lot of use of online learning systems as you will have seen. Although some of these, like "Show My Homework," use students' school logins, others like "Vocab Express" and "MyMaths" do not. We know that remembering or finding them can cause problems.

To help with this we have now set up an online service called **YouID** – please do help your son/daughter to log in to this and set it up.

The website is http://turinghouse.youid.net and students use their school account (not email address) to log in. The first time they do this they will be asked to choose some security questions and give answers. What this means is that if they ever forget their school login (or think someone else is using it) they can go to this site and reset it without having to ask for help in school.

The second great advantage is that once logged in they will have a browser desktop that has links to all the main apps used in school for lessons and homework. Not only that but the system can store their login details so they don't have to remember them. It works on desktops, tablets and mobile phones.

Forthcoming Events

15th October Parent Workshop

12th November National Space Centre

23rd October Inset Day

7th December 'Spirit of Christmas'

National Space Centre Trip

We've sent a letter home about a whole school trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester on Thursday 12th November. It fits in to the next units of work in science and in history; we're really excited about it.

As it takes place in school time it will be provided free of charge. The cost to the school is a little over £20 a head so we are inviting voluntary contributions of that amount. As you know we've provided two great trips already this year but our budget is unfortunately not a bottomless pit. If we can get sufficient funds in through voluntary contributions we hope to be able to run two or three more trips this year.

Open Evening

Our second Open Evening was a huge success with over 400 people visiting our school site. Three speeches took place giving a flavour for the school, its ethos, community and future ambitions. Harriet Foster and Jake Saunders, two of our founding students, delivered their own message on what life is like studying at Turing House School. Visitors were then expertly shown around the site through the departmental areas. Highlights of the evening were the heart dissection and Ms Monk's guacamole.

Fixtures

13 October: Girls' Football (Aw) v Teddington **16 October:** Girls' T/Tennis Tournament

20 October: Girls' Football (Aw) v Twick. Academy **5 November:** Boys' Football 'C': (Hm) v The Mall

Parents' Workshop

On Thursday the 15th the school will be offering its first Parent Workshops on Literacy, Levels and E-Safety. We hope that the event will be well attended and useful. If any parents have any other suggestions for future Parent Workshops, please let us know by contacting the school through the usual channels.

Term Dates 2016-17

Autumn term 2016:

1 September - 16 December

Half term: 24-28 October

• INSET Days: 1,2,5 September, others TBC

Spring term 2017:

3 January - 31 March

Half term: 13-17 February

INSET Day: 3 January

Summer term 2017:

18 April - 21 July

• Half term: 29 May-2 June

INSET Days: TBC

https://www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/termdates.php

Girls' Football

Our girls' football team played their first compeitive match against Waldegrave Year 8 students onTuesday and whilst the result was not to the students' liking, Ms Wilkinson and Mr O'Sullivan were hugely impressed by their commitment and attitude. Harriet Foster was named Girl of the the Match.



Boys' Rugby: our first win ever!

On Tuesday 6th October our rugby team played at home to Richmond Park Academy. Despite the continual rain and tricky conditions, the team worked excellently together to come away with a 15-10 win. At the start of the match we kept our shape well and held on to the ball, scoring an early try within the first 5 minutes, courtesy of Ben Saunders out on the wing. RPA fought back well with two tries of their own and showed good aggression on the field. But tries from Zach Strike and Monty Hartwell-Birch pushed us out in front with 15 minutes left to play.

In the last stages of the game, the team showed great heart and determination to hold on to their lead, as RPA threw everything they had left against us. It resulted in a well-deserved win that the team can be immensely proud of. The Most Valuable Player went to Michael Kenyon for consistently making ground over the gain line.

Boys' Table Tennis

We are pleased to announce that Max Ratcliffe won our first ever table tennis tournament, winning a hard fought match against Billy Bramhall. Joe Wiggins has now started a second tournament with some refined seedings...watch this space!

STEM Club

Club membership goes from strength to strength; we'll need a second classroom soon! We had a great interactive session on engineering with our BP Ambassador. Thank you Mr Sanders!

In the News...

A special thanks to the family of Eve Winders who let us examine a copy of an original Evening Standard from 1969 featuring the Apollo 11 moon landings. We would also like to thank the grandfather of Phoebe Mcpherson who kindly donated some original newspapers featuring, most notably, the Kennedy assassination. We hope in time to frame these for display in our history classroom.



School Council Update

Our School Council have now met on three occasions and have begun to shape some of the things we will be doing from now until Christmas. Agreed this week are to celebrate the National Christmas Jumper Day in December and have an Inter-form bake off/cake sale for Children in Need in November.



The Turing House School Council

Over the coming weeks the council will continue to meet on a Monday lunch time discussing various topics such as developing the school building, clubs, enrichment activities and charity events. We will also be speaking to them about teaching and learning to ensure we do lots of the things that they believe helps them learn best. We will share these discussions with the senior leadership team and the soon to be formed PTA.

School Photos

You should have received your proofs of the school photos this week. The easiest way to order is online, but if you do wish to pay by cash or cheque please make sure that your form and payment are in by **Friday 16**th.

Form Time Quiz

Over recent weeks our students have been competing against each other in a regular Thursday quiz, however this week Mr Mackinlay really stretched the students with these 'say what you see' challenges.

We thought it would be interesting to give the parents a chance to have a go.

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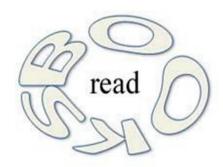




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The current results have 7DA storming into a narrow lead with 7PE close behind.