

Headteacher's Update

16th June 2017

Coderdojo Event



Our third Turing House CoderDojo took place on Saturday June 9th, and with our small army of enthusiastic mentors, two brand new activities, and perfectly tuned air-conditioning, we were well equipped to compete with the glorious summer sunshine outside.

We introduced robotics, using some of the Lego Mindstorms kit and exciting projects that Turing House recently used in the national finals of the <u>EEP Robotics Challenge</u>. Special thanks go to the school's facilities manager, Mr Jones, for clearing out a store room, to give our robots lots of space to play!

Pieter from <u>Kode.Farm</u> Computer School made his CoderDojo mentoring debut with an instantly popular JavaScript Platform Game activity. Participants learnt how to animate and control a game character, how to enable physics in game elements like gravity, velocity, bounce and friction, how to detect when elements in the game collide with one another, and more.

Forthcoming Events

19th June: Careers Task Force Event for Y8 families, 7pm

5th July: Summer Concert in school, time tbc

13th July: KS4 preparation evening for Y8 families, 7pm

13th July: Sports Day (details to follow)

Our regular Scratch activity was as popular as ever with our younger Dojo participants, our website developers got creative with their fictional zoo activity, and last, but certainly not least, our Python coders got stuck into a whole raft of fun projects, from beginner to intermediate level.

Thank-you to everyone who helped to make the event successful, including Artis from <u>Joskos</u> (whose technical support included popping out for new microphone batteries) and, of course, the wonderful <u>Turing House Friends</u> who kept everyone supplied with beverages and biscuits.

Our next Dojo will be in the Autumn term, so do visit our website and join our Dojo Mailing List to be notified when tickets are released:

https://turinghousecoderdojo.wordpress.com/take-part/



Dates for the Diary - Year 8

19th June — Introduction to the world of work and careers. We hope to have several guest speakers talking through their current jobs and the journey they took to get there. We will also be looking at transferable/desirable work-based skills for our everfluid job market. This event will start at 7pm and last for around an hour.

Fixtures

22nd June: U13 Boys' and Girls' Volleyball v Grey Court

27th June: U13 mixed Golf Borough Tournament

28th **June:** U13 mixed Athletics Borough Tournament **6**th **July:** Y7 Girls' Rounders Borough Tournament

6th **July:** Y7 Boys' Rugby League Tournament

13th **July** – Preparation for Key Stage 4 Evening – This event will be to showcase the four subjects in which our Year 8 students will start GCSEs in THIS September! We will also give a brief overview of the options process and the possible choices ahead. This event will start at 7pm and last for around an hour.

Please sign up for the event using the usual booking system here:

https://turinghouseschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/

Healthy Fortnight 12th-23th June

As a part of National Health Week (12th- 16th June) we will be holding a 'healthy fortnight'. During this period, we will be holding some specific events in order to promote healthy lifestyles. So far we have the following occurring:

- Special assembly by Harrisons, our caterers
- Ms Parsons' breakfast mornings
- Bicycle smoothie maker

Harry W

Congratulations to Harry W in Year 8 who recently took part in a Pony Club show. Activities included a bending race (weaving through cones at a fast pace), a hoop race, a tennis ball race (aiming a ball in a bucket whilst riding past) and an egg and spoon race on horseback which was most fun. He performed extremely well and achieved six rosettes. Well done, Harry.



MENSA Puzzle

Rearrange each of the following to form a topical word. What are the four words?

DERRENIE SWANNOM HIGLES TINGSOCK

Last Week's Answer: Santa. The words are MUSIC, BOARD, DANCE, PITCH and GLASS.

London Youth Games

On 11th June, the Richmond Borough table tennis team travelled to the London Youth games. I was seeded 2 out of 4. We played against different teams in single and doubles matches. It was a great experience. *Ollie H*



Summer Term Clubs Timetable

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
Fitness		Orchestra	Yoga	
Choir	Elleray Hall	Choir French	ECOSTARS	Band
Homework	Homework	Homework	Homework	Boxercise
War	Music	Creative	Think	Hair and
Hammer	Tech	Arts	Aloud	Beauty
Rounders	Fixtures	Maths in Motion	Football	
Cricket Table Tennis	STEM	Drama	Volleyball	
	Cycling	Rowing Reading	Dance	
	Choir Homework War Hammer Rounders Cricket Table	Fitness Choir Elleray Hall Homework Homework War Music Tech Rounders Fixtures Cricket STEM Table Cycling	Fitness Orchestra Choir Elleray Hall French Homework Homework Homework War Music Creative Arts Rounders Fixtures Maths in Motion Cricket STEM Table Cycling Rowing	Fitness Orchestra Yoga Choir Elleray Hall French Homework Homework Homework War Music Creative Think Hammer Tech Arts Aloud Rounders Fixtures Maths in Motion Cricket STEM Drama Table Cycling Rowing Dance

Cricket Success

On 9th June, the Turing House Y8 boys' cricket team was lead to victory in a qualifiers tournament, by its captain Jake W. It was an exciting and interesting match, especially with Twickenham Academy, who have a strong cricket team. We won all of our matches and have now qualified for the borough final. *Hashim K*



Richmond Cricket Club Holiday Camps



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Musical Events during the summer term

Several musical events will be taking place during the summer term. If your child is taking part in any of these, then please make a note of these dates in your diary:

Live@TheRose -

Rehearsal: The Mall - Thursday 22nd June, 3.30pm - 6pm

Concert at the Rose Theatre - **Thursday 29**th **June** - all day and evening concert

Richmond Prom Orchestra - rehearsal at St Richard Reynolds – **Wednesday 21**st **June**, 12pm

Performance at St Mary's College in Twickenham – Thursday 6th July, afternoon rehearsal and evening concert

Summer concert - Wednesday 5th July, evening, start time to be confirmed, in school

