

# Headteacher's Update

23rd June 2017

## Awards Event

On Wednesday we held our annual prize giving evening with 6 students gaining a certificate and a badge in each of our subject areas. The awards were given for attainment and progress with some special awards given to stand-out performers in Physical Education. Photos of the event will be online shortly. Once again we would like to thank all our prize winners for their efforts and wish the rest of the students the best of luck in achieving an award next year.



# Preparation for Key Stage 4 Event

13th July - 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/

# Careers Event

On Monday we held our first Careers Task Force Event. We were absolutely delighted to welcome 80 students and parents from Year 8 to listen to our 5 guest speakers. We hope that this will be the first of many events which will allows all of our students to gain an insight into the types of careers in our society. Mrs Delega gave an insightful presentation about her work as a costume designer for the stars, Mrs Kenyon spoke of her journey through the medical profession, Mrs Moody ran a session on visual effects and Mrs Sadi-White talked us through her varied career culminating in working for the United Nations. The Careers Task Force then took over with Mrs Hardaker showing students how vital team work is as a soft skill for all career choices. In the next session our soft skill will be communication with four more unique careers shared. Year 7 will also be invited to the next session. Thanks to all of those who contributed including Mrs Colson and Mrs StJohn-Smith who worked behind the scenes.

#### **Forthcoming Events**

3<sup>rd</sup> July: INSET Day (Induction Day for our new intake) 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> July: Y7 and Y8 exams

5<sup>th</sup> July: Summer Concert in school, 7pm

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

13<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day (details to follow)

#### Fixtures

**26<sup>th</sup> June:** U13 Girls' Rounders play-off at Teddington

27th June: U13 Mixed Golf Borough Tournament

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

6th July: Y7 Boys' Rugby League Tournament

#### Summer Concert

Our summer concert will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm, in school. Bookings can be made via the online booking system using the following link:

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

## Year 7 and 8 Exam Timetables

Year 7 and Year 8 exams will take place from  $\mathbf{4}^{th} - \mathbf{6}^{th}$  July. Students have already been handed a copy of their year group's timetable but we are attaching a copy of the timetables with this newsletter email for parents to refer to.

# NPL Water Rocket Challenge

On 21<sup>st</sup> June, The Turing Tornadoes attended the NPL Water Rocket Challenge. We tested our rockets to see which would go the furthest and see if they would launch! When we arrived at NPL, we ate lunch and then went through three rounds where our goal was to have our rockets fly the furthest and stay in the air for the longest amount of time. In the fourth and final round, we were given an egg and we had to add things onto it to cushion it and attach it to one of our rockets, 'Flashing Torpedo'. After this we went to the awards and even though we were sure our egg had been broken, it turned out it was completely fine! All in all, we came 21<sup>st</sup> out of 29 teams, and we went home hot but happy after having a really fun time. **Spike M** 







#### **MENSA Puzzle**

Bethany has received 25 Christmas cards, Diane has received 49, Carla has received 31 and Adele has received 14. How many cards has Barbara received?

**Last Week's Answer:** Reindeer, snowman, sleigh and stocking.

# Healthy Eating Week

To continue with our healthy eating fortnight, Ms Parson ran two sessions this week allowing students to cook some tasty and healthy treats before the start of school. Here are some photos from it:







# Maths in Motion

On 21<sup>st</sup> June, Jake S and Joe W went to the Jaguar Maths in Motion World Finals in The National Motor Museum, West Midlands. They then completed a series of challenges involving maths and cars which resulted in them coming 8<sup>th</sup> in the world! We hope to return next year. *Jake S* 





# School Nursing Service

Our school nurse, Clarissa, from Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust, is setting up regular drop-in sessions at Turing House for our students. Students will be able to see her for a confidential chat about various matters, whether it be health-related or emotional issues.

She'll be available on **28**<sup>th</sup> **June**, **10**<sup>th</sup> **July and 17**<sup>th</sup> **July** from **10.15am-11am** in the Meeting Room.

The students have been made aware of this service during an assembly and we would encourage them to use it if they feel they would like to – even if it's just to say hello to Clarissa for a quick chat.

Clarissa can also be contacted online via:

https://healthmatters.clch.nhs.uk/

# Summer Term Clubs Timetable

	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
Morning 8am	Fitness		Orchestra	Yoga	
Lunch	Choir	Elleray Hall	Choir French	ECOSTARS	Band
After School	Homework	Homework	Homework	Homework	Boxercise
	War	Music	Creative	Think	Hair and
	Hammer	Tech	Arts	Aloud	Beauty
	Rounders	Fixtures	Maths in Motion	Football	
	Cricket	STEM		Volleyball	
			Drama		
	Table Tennis	Cycling	Rowing Reading	Dance	

# **Absence Reporting**

We would like to remind parents that in the event of your child being absent due to illness, please report it by 8.20am via <a href="https://studybugs.com/">https://studybugs.com/</a>

This information is fed direct to the registers and cuts down on the amount of phone calls received in the office at this very busy time of day.

#### Volleyball Tournament



All four teams managed to improve greatly after each match. We all learnt how to use each player in our team and new tactics to help us win. Coming in with high places (5th for Tear 8 boys, 2nd for Year 8 girls), we are all excited to continue playing to get better at the sport.

# 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 -

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

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

# **Building Maths Trip**



On 20th June, a group of Year 8 students visited Richmond upon Thames College to take part in a construction industry course taster day, to demonstrate how maths is important in both careers and everyday life - including bricklaying, cement mixing, plumbing and carpentry. We had to get our cement, fetch our own bricks and build a mini-wall. When we laid the bricks we had to put some cement on the line using a cement trowel and then we laid the bricks. We then had to get a little bit of cement and scrape it onto the edge of the brick and put it onto the other brick in order to firm up the wall. We had to measure the height of the bricks in order to keep it level. We then had to scrape off the excess with a special tool in order to make it look neat. It was great fun and it showed us how important maths is to get a job in the future. Charlie A & Albie B

Antonia E





# Spare PE Kit borrowed from School

Please would parents ensure that any spare PE kit that has been borrowed from school this term is returned immediately. These items (especially polo tops) are not currently being returned and we are now running out. Please return these items in order that we may be able to continue to lend items if necessary.

# Cut Films Project

The Year 8 drama classes have been working hard on the Cut Films project in drama this year. Cut Films is an award winning, anti-tobacco youth charity working with young people, schools and youth groups in partnership with local authorities to persuade young people not to smoke. The films that the students produced were entered into the regional and national competitions and two groups were nominated for awards. On 14th June they attended an awards ceremony at the Odeon Cinema in Richmond and had the opportunity to view their films on the big screen. The film 'Smoking is a Trap' by Jack O, Ollie W, Neema K, Harry M and Tomas W, came 3rd in the 12-15 age category, and the film 'Don't Ignore' by Eve W, Antonia E and Lilly C won first place. 'Don't Ignore' was also one of only three films from the whole competition to be nominated for a judge's choice award. Huge congratulations to all the students involved! If you would like to view the films that the students produced, then please check out the website:

https://www.cutfilms.org/







