

Headteacher's Update

21st July 2017

Headteacher's Challenge

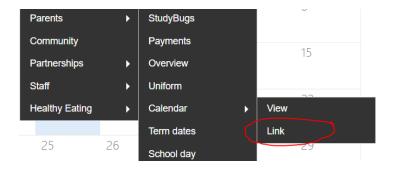
We hope you find the Headteacher's Challenge that we sent home recently and have issued to students today something that will give your children something interesting to do over the summer. We are looking forward to seeing the entries in September.

Have a great summer break whatever you are doing!

Calendar

The school calendar for next year is now available online: www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/calendar.php

You can also use a link from our website to add the calendar to your own diary on your phone or device using the link on our parent menus:



GSCE Physics Equations

Please would Year 8 students learn the GCSE physics equations over the summer holidays. Ms Wilkinson has uploaded the equations to Show My Homework so all year 8 students can access them.

Microsoft Office Software

Students can install Microsoft Office software on personal devices at home using their school accounts to login at this URL: http://tinyurl.com/THS365download



Bushcraft 2018 Year 9 Payment Reminder

We would like to remind you that the Year 9 Bushcraft

deposit of £30 is due via Scopay on Friday 21st July. We are pleased to see that we have such great interest in this trip, particularly



after the feedback we had from our current year 7.

MENSA Puzzle

Rearrange the letters of 'IMPLEMENT SOCIETIES' to give two festive items. What are they?

Last Week's Answer:

215. The numbers rise by 80, 60, 40 and 20.

Forthcoming Events

6th Sep: Start date for new Y7 Intake 7th Sep: Start date for Y8 and Y9

7th Sep: Y7 trip to Thames Young Mariners

8th Sep: School group and individual photographs

Fixtures

We have now completed our summer term fixtures. The first autumn term fixtures will be announced in early September.

Exciting Opportunity in Year 10

We are currently investigating the possibility of running a school trip to Iceland for our current year 8 when they reach year 10. Whilst nothing is set in stone, we would appreciate some informal feedback on the possibility of this trip. As you can imagine, a trip like this will be expensive but is a once in a lifetime opportunity.



Duke of Edinburgh Award – Year 8

We are very pleased that so many of our current year 8 intake have signed up for the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

The Award consists of 4 sections: Physical, Skill, Volunteering and Expedition; each section is worth 25%. They can begin thinking of how they will evidence each section, with the aim to complete the Award within a year. Activities chosen to complete the sections should be varied and should aim to develop new skills and lead to new experiences.

Please look out for the welcome email, which will be sent over the summer, it will include a username and password for the eDofE system. All participants will get an introduction in September to this system.

Music (and Sailing) Success

Congratulations to Grace Bullock for achieving merit in her Grade 7 piano and to Abi Leighton for her Grade 1 Flute. Also well done to Abi for achieving her RYA Level 1 Sailing!

Student Poetry

If you believe you will achieve.

Yes, it's a simple, cheesy sentence but if you take it in, Even with a drop in your bright beautiful eye you can explore, imagine.

Instead of thinking about the negative things, Strive towards the thrilling and upbeat memories.

Don't let negativity haunt you,

It's the worst of the worst,

How it infects your body and runs from vein to vein.

It brings you down and stresses you out.

But don't choose that path,

Don't choose negativity,

Fight that infection and win the battle.

Express your creative and vivid thoughts.

Living is a gift,

Be grateful and make the most of it.

Don't waste it on those that brag and boast about it.

If you believe you will achieve.

By Nyah P-Year 8

There was a boy who lived in the woods He wanted to explore the world But his mother wouldn't let him go out "It's dangerous" he was told

One day his mother went out to the village
And left him all alone
He wanted to go out as she was gone
Into a world of unknown

He came towards a group of people
And asked them where to go
But then they started to say something
That the boy just didn't know

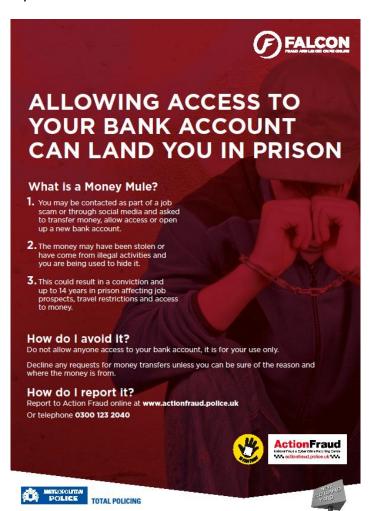
That's when he started to get scared So he started to run back home Only to find his mother Who was worried sick as a gnome

The boy thought his mother would shout at him But all she did was this: She embraced him in her skinny arms And gave him a loving kiss

By Tom D - Year 7

Money Mule

The police are experiencing an increase of young persons' bank accounts being used for criminal activity. Young people are being approached by criminals who are obtaining bank account details and pin numbers; this is either done by force or for a financial incentive. The police need your support to help educate young people around this issue. Bank accounts are private and must only be used by the account holder. Any misuse could not only be criminal but could cause serious credit issues for the account holder! Police are working in partnership with many schools across London to combat this issue. Action Fraud is the tool to report any fraud.



Year 7 and 8 Poetry

Year 7 and 8 pupils have produced some fantastic poetry this year: Year 7's inspired by Coleridge's *Rime of the Ancient Mariner* and Year 8's inspired by the form of Slam Poetry – rhythmic spoken word.

Students from both year groups have produced some impressive work; please visit this link to view their poems:

https://www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/documents/Students%20Poems%20Collection.pdf

