

Headteacher's Update

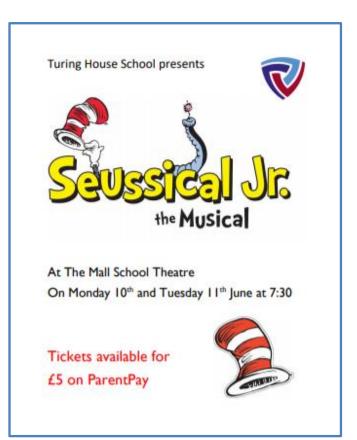
7th June 2019

Seussical Jr. the Musical

Don't forget to buy your tickets now! £5 each on ParentPay.

Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th June at the Mall School.

Please come along and support all the students who have spent lots of hours rehearsing and learning lines!



MENSA Puzzle

Which word can be placed before all the following words?

HOUSE FRUITS TIME PUDDING SCHOOL

Last week's answer: Tahiti, Orkney, Antigua, Iceland.

Does anyone have a Gazebo?

Does anyone have a gazebo that the school could borrow for Sports Day on 3rd July? Please let the school office at either Teddington or Hampton know if you can help. Thank you.

HPV Vaccinations

On 14th June 2019, Turing House Year 8 girls will have their first stage of the HPV vaccine; our Year 9 girls will have the second stage. The HPV vaccine provides protection against cervical cancer.

This vaccination is only given in school and is not available through your GP. For your daughter to receive the HPV vaccination, please complete the secure online electronic consent (e-consent) form via the link below: Please note, you will need the School Code 141963 for Turing House School once you have opened the link: https://imms.hrch.nhs.uk/HPV/Form1

Forthcoming Events

10/11th June – Seussical The Musical!

12th June – Year 8 trip to Bletchley Park

14th June – HPV Vaccinations – Year 8/9 Girls

20th June – Richmond Prom (For Orchestra players)

28th June – Live @ The Rose

1st July - Inset Day (not Year 10)

3rd July – Sports Day

9th July – THS Summer Concert

Fixtures

07 Jun, 2019 | Y7 Rounders | Waldegrave 11 Jun, 2019 | Y8 Rounders | St Richard Reynolds CC

26th June Borough Sports Day

Jack Petchey Winners

Congratulations to Grace R & Lottie H who won the Jack Petchey award for last term.

Grace is excellent in PE, and is a talented sportswoman who has represented the school on many occasions. She is described as "an absolute delight to teach" and the "pride she takes in her work is exemplary." She is a positive role model to others with the care she puts into her work and the dedication she shows inside and outside of the classroom.

Grace is an "outstanding writer" and an "amazing linguist" who is always looking new ways of expressing her ideas in Spanish. She also has an aptitude for science and is able to pick up complex ideas quickly. Grace is dedicated to her studies and works hard, with a calm and considered manner. She is a mature and enthusiastic young lady who is always willing to take on new challenges. She is keen to learn and takes every opportunity to involve herself in the life of the school. A natural leader, this student has a bright future ahead of her.



Lottie has a positive attitude, who always works hard and is a talented athlete in all sports. She has represented the school on countless occasions. Lottie is a positive role model to her peers, always having something thoughtful to contribute to lessons. She is polite and considerate as well as having a cheerful outlook.

She is exceptionally dedicated to her studies and has an outstanding writing ability and aptitude for science. She is a role model for other students, is incredibly polite and respectful and works really hard.

She completes extra work in order to fulfil her thirst for learning, and she treats others with respect. She goes out of her way to help staff and takes pride in her work. Lottie sets high standards for herself and naturally enables others to follow her example. She tackles everything with energy and because of this, succeeds in many areas of school life.

Reminder – Festival of History



Festival of History

Sunday 9 June 2019 10.30am-4.30pm

A day of re-enactment, family-friendly activities, talks and performances, bringing history and the struggle for citizenship, liberty and democracy to life.

citizens800.org/festival



https://www.royalholloway.ac.uk/media/9083/8072-history-festival-programme-2019 web.pdf

Well Done – Exam Week

Well done to all our students who took their end of year exams this week. Year 10 in particular had a very intense week and performed brilliantly.

Students were incredibly well- behaved and were a credit to the school.

Spanish Club

Heads down at Spanish lunch club this week with Year 8 preparing for their listening exam.



Literacy Focus

This week the literacy focus is the use of commas with conjunctions. This is just one of the many complicated reasons commas are used and there is an easy trick to remember to use them in this instance. We use them before a conjunction (joining word) in a compound sentence (a sentence made of two clauses that can stand alone).



Canoe Club – Summer Holidays

The canoe and kayak camp is running at Richmond Canoe Club over the summer. The camp is an intensive beginners' courses held over five days. We are offering the course twice over a week at the beginning of the holidays and again at the end of August. It is suitable for children aged 11 to 14.



The only pre-requisite is that anyone taking part is a good swimmer. We offer the opportunity to have five days on the beautiful river at Richmond learning how to paddle our junior racing boats.

For more information please feel free to get in touch or look on our website: https://richmondcanoeclub.com/

Thank you from Miss Parsons

A massive thank you for the sponsorship money donated from students, parents and staff.

I raised over £700 with gift aid, smashing my target of £250. I rolled over the finish line first (with 4 other cyclists) at 1.30am; it was a fantastic evening cycling London landmarks: Buckingham past Palace. Westminster, Putney Bridge and Pall Mall to name but a few!

Helen Sharman @ The Rose Theatre

Grey Court School, and Every Child Every Day Academy Trust is incredibly lucky to be hosting Helen Sharman, CMG, OBE, at the Rose Theatre, Kingston on Monday 10th June 2019. The event is timed to start at 7.15pm for 7.30pm.



As you know, Helen is a pioneer and role model for young people (of all ages!). She became the first British astronaut when, in May 1991, she launched on a Russian Soyuz spacecraft and spent 8 days orbiting the Earth, living and working on the MIR Space Station.

Helen will detail her experience in Space, her time on MIR, STEM and the wonders of science. She describes the meticulous training and preparation, learning Russian, launch and landing, how weightlessness feels, her science experiments, the team spirit, and readjusting to life on Earth. Guests will have the opportunity to take part in a Q&A session with Helen following her presentation.

This is a public event and tickets are available, at a cost of £15 each, from the Rose Theatre box office. We have sold over 75% of the tickets available and the remaining tickets are running out fast.

Battlefields Trip - Applications open!

WW1 Battlefields Trip Applications Open for Year Nine **GCSE History Students!**

Last year we had the privilege of taking two hardworking History students to France and Belgium to represent our school on the First World War Centenary Battlefield Tours Programme.

We visited many incredible sites including: the Memorial Museum Passchendaele; Lijssenthoek Cemetery; Notre de Lorrette Dame Cemetery: the Ceremony of the Last Post at the Menin Gate; Thiepval Memorial; and Tyne Cot Cemetery. The trip was run by the UCL Institute of Education, on behalf of the UK Government, and students from other schools around the UK were also present.

We have been lucky enough to be given the opportunity to take part in the programme again, this time with four students, between Sunday 17th - Wednesday 20th November 2019.

If you are a Year 9 students who is taking GCSE History next year and is interested in going then to apply you need to:

Write a short letter explaining why you want to represent the school on this trip. You may want to write about your interest in the subject and why this trip would mean a lot to you.

Hand this letter to Ms Riglin in person by Monday 17th June.

After this deadline, Ms Riglin and a member of SLT will read these letters, make a shortlist of applicants, and then pick the final four from the shortlist of applications out of a hat.

More information for parents and guardians is available ShowMyHomework and online here: https://www.centenarybattlefieldtours.org/battl efield-tours/battlefield-tours-landing-page/

Paris Trip – Year 9

On Friday 24th August, fifty Year 9 students were lucky enough to accompany Mr Jacks, Mrs Harper, Mr Torres, Miss Scott, Miss Johnson and Mr Evans on a wonderful trip to Paris.

On the first day - which was primarily travelling — we stopped for dinner at a restaurant called Flunch. Many of us enjoyed this because we were allowed to order our own food in addition to experiencing what the rest of the trip would be like because we had to communicate with people who mainly spoke French. However, this was still a great a great experience regardless of the challenges some of us faced.

The next day we were up early for breakfast at 7:00am followed by a short drive into the centre of Paris. The first monument we saw was the Arc de Triomphe – which was built in honour of those who fought for France especially those who fought in the Napoleonic wars. Mark, our coach driver, was very kind and drove around the monument twice so that we could take many pictures. After Mark dropped us off we started our walk to the Louvre – this walk was much longer than expected because many of the roads in Paris were blocked, however this did not affect our moods because this longer walk allowed us to see more of Paris.

When we arrived at the Louvre we split into groups and walked around the museum. All the groups were fortunate enough to see the Mona Lisa. However, due to the crowds only some of us were able to see it from a shorter distance. Nevertheless, all the other exhibitions we saw created an enriching experience for us all because we saw many famous art works and historical artefacts.

After an amazing visit to the Louvre we walked to the Pompidou centre, which is an art gallery in the middle of many shops and boutiques. Here we were allowed to split into groups of friends and visit the surrounding shops. This was very enjoyable because it gave us some time to ourselves and a sense of independence, whilst allowing us to explore an everyday part of Paris.

Following our time at the Pompidou centre we visited the Luxembourg and the Montparnasse Tower, which was very exciting because we were able to the whole of Paris from the top of the tower. This also meant that we could take fantastic pictures and look at the structure of Paris from an architectural point of view.

The next day we again woke up early so that we could get in line for the Eiffel Tower. Arriving at the Eiffel Tower was an exciting event because before the coach had parked we had the opportunity to take many amazing photographs. Fortunately, the line for the Eiffel Tower moved very quickly and we were able to get to the top without too much of a wait.

The view from the Eiffel Tower was amazing. Then we visited the Natural History Museum.

This museum is so beautiful and there are many models of beautiful animals displayed on the floor which allows visitors to see what these animals would look like in real life. We concluded our visit with a walk in the gardens which lead us to the statue of Jean-Bapiste Lamarc, who was a naturalist and biologist.

We visited the Sacré-Cœur where we walked up many steps in order to get to the church. Many of us thought that the church was beautiful especially as it was so immense in size. Opportunely, we visited on a Sunday, so when we walked around the church we had the option to sit down and listen to the Sunday service. We also had the choice of visiting the Montmarte Market behind the Sacré-Cœur. At this market we had the choice to buy food and drinks (such as crepés and ice cream) or art (such as caricatures of ourselves).

On the penultimate day, we visited Disneyland. This was very exciting as it was the first time at Disneyland for many of us. We were then allowed to split off into groups with our friends. Many of us rushed to the rides such as Tower of Terror and Hyperspace Mountain.

There were many things to do there and we had 13 hours to do them in, including meeting the Disney characters at designated meeting points.

In the evening we all met for dinner at Planet Hollywood, which was amazing. After this we had the chance to walk around again and some revisited our favourite rides before we all headed home.

On our final day we woke up early and visited Cité des sciences et de l'industrie. This museum was very interactive and had many exhibitions on interesting topics such as the brain, the digestive system and robots. At this museum some of us also enjoyed a live show – in French – at the planetarium.

After this we drove to the ferry and made our way home. Some of us were a little sad to be leaving such a beautiful city. However, we were all very excited to see our families.

Everyone who went on the trip thanks Mr Jacks, Mrs Harper, Mr Torres, Miss Scott, Miss Johnson and Mr Evans who gave up their half term to come on the trip, especially Mr Jacks who organised it.

It was valuable experience and the Year 9 group were very grateful.

By Raisharnai Kitson







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Healthy Eating Week

Next week is Healthy Eating Week. It is a dedicated week in the year to encourage organisations across the UK (including workplaces, universities, and schools) to focus on healthy eating and drinking, physical activity, and celebrate healthy living. At the heart of Healthy Eating Week are five health challenges:

- Have breakfast
- Have 5 A DAY
- Drink plenty of water
- Get active
- Sleep well

Why not make some pancakes with your children this weekend? We would love to see some photos of your efforts!

