



Park Lane Stables visit Buckingham Palace Royal Mews

After leafleting to help save Park Lane Stables, I was given the opportunity to visit Buckingham Palace Royal Mews on Monday 1st November. When we arrived, we were given the chance to take a look at the different breeds of horses and their different jobs.

We were given a tour by one of the members of staff who is in charge of all the horses at the stables. I learnt lots of interesting facts like the Queen names every horse, most of them after a place she has visited, however some had names like Interview and Topical.

I was told the training times for the horses and how they have an hour of exercise at 7:30 and another hour at 10:30. I also found out that most of the staff have to get



to the stables at around 4:30-5:30am and leave quite late in the afternoon.

Each member of staff has to look after two horses

which includes feeding, cleaning tack, mucking out and refilling hay nets. I also got to find out that the Queen has a different carriage for every sort of occasion, one for Jubilees (her Platinum Jubilee is coming up soon), one to carry her crown and others for formal engagements.



Some have been gifted from other countries. I was also told that every horse's saddle is nearly all hand sewn and got to feel how heavy each saddle is. It was an absolutely amazing experience and I really enjoyed it.

By Iris W

Christmas Lunch!

Our date for our Christmas Lunch is **Friday 10th December**. This will also be Christmas Jumper Day, so a great day for festivities! From this week on Parent Pay there will be facility to book and pay £2.50 if you wish your child to have a lunch. Please state any dietary needs for your child.

If a student does not wish to have a Christmas meal, then they must bring a packed lunch for the day as no

Dates for the Diary:

Tues 30th Nov 3.15pm-4.30pm – Y9 additional Parents' Evening
8th December – Y11 Sixth Former for a Day
8th December – Y12 and Y13 Reading Day

Fixtures

22nd Nov – Yr 8/9 Basketball v Hampton High (away)
22nd Nov – Yr 8 Boys Football (friendly) v Hampton High (away)
23rd Nov – Yr 7 Rugby League Borough Tournament
23rd Nov – Yr 7 Rugby League Regional Tournament
24th Nov – U16 Girls Basketball Tournament
25th Nov – Yr 7/8 Girls Touch Rugby Tournament
25th Nov – Yr 10/11 Boys Basketball v St Richard Reynolds (away)

other food will be available for purchasing and students eligible for Free School meals will be provided with a full Christmas meal.

Thinking of buying a real Christmas Tree this year?

We are delighted to be teaming up with Twickenham Christmas Trees, Rosebine Avenue, Gladstone Avenue, Twickenham TW2 7PR. They are part of the Christmas Tree Fund



If you purchase your Christmas tree from them this year using their website for collection, not only would you be helping out a small local family business, they will also donate 15/20% of their profits back to our school.

Please make sure you select Turing House when ordering.

Any family purchasing can then make a day of visiting their beautiful Christmas tree farm to select the perfect tree and pay on arrival using card or cash.

www.christmastreefund.co.uk

Covid-19 Vaccinations

If parents wish to book online for their children to have the Covid-19 vaccination, they should do so at a local vaccination centre. The school is not facilitating an additional Covid-19 vaccination session due to the start of Mock Examinations.

Christmas Card Competition

Turing House Christmas Card competition 2021

Your task is to design an original Christmas Card.

The winning design will be digital, so the entries can be any size (A6, A5, A4, A3 are fine) but remember the design will be scanned and converted into a digital design. This means it must be a flat design (please nothing shiny and no glitter, beads, origami etc). You could even design it on a computer/ipad if you are tech savvy!

The student with the winning design will get to see their art work in print, and will receive bonus points for their tutor group.

All designs must be submitted to Miss MacDouall / Miss Davison / Miss Nicholson/ Miss Scott or Emailed if digital to art@turinghouseschool.org.uk by Thursday 25th November.



2020's winning design by Emilia Sivickas (in Year 7 at the time!)

'Journey's End' Trip - by Keerie, Year 11

Watching this piece of theatre was an amazing experience that I know I will never forget.



The high quality acting along with the outstanding set and props created a truly incredible atmosphere. It was true to Sheriff's original work and made the storyline completely unforgettable.

We got to watch friendships build and break as the play goes on making it emotionally powerful especially as the play draws to an end.

Just from looking at the set and the acting it felt historically authentic and true, showing a completely different side to the war than we are familiar with. Watching this play created a deeper understanding of the play and about the war; it definitely helped me understand what was happening a lot better watching it play out in front of me.

I thoroughly enjoyed watching the skilful craftsmanship of not only Sheriff but also the director of the play. It is a shame that this play is only on for four days as if it had continued, I would have certainly wanted to visit again and watch it for a second time. An overall brilliant theatre experience.



Road Safety Week

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

by  Brake, the road safety charity

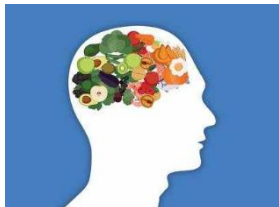
This week marks the national road safety week; at this time of year it is particularly important to consider the clothing we wear as we travel around. During autumn and winter the days are shorter, the nights are longer and the damp, colder weather means everywhere looks dull.

It's difficult to see someone who is wearing darker clothing when the weather is wet and grey. It's important to make yourself more visible to other road users during the darker days and at night.

Please consider adding reflective strips to bags and jackets to increase visibility, as well as reminding your young people to stay aware and not listen to music as they walk/cycle.



Healthy Eating & Wellbeing



The physical benefits of a healthy diet are well known, but a nutritionally balanced intake can also help your wellbeing.

The British Dietary Association has this advice: "Feeling good comes from a diet that has enough healthy choice carbohydrate at regular times to keep blood glucose levels stable, and eating breakfast is a sensible habit. Diets should also contain a wide variety of protein and vitamin and mineral containing foods to support the body's functions. As a rule, plenty of fruits and vegetables and wholegrain cereal foods, with some protein foods, including oily fish, will support a good supply of nutrients for both good health and good mood."

As we have seen a small rise in the number of family packets of sweets and biscuits being brought into school, we wanted to remind students that such items

are not suitable food items for breakfast, break or lunch. Our canteen serves a wide selection of healthy foods for students. If on the other hand a packed lunch is preferred, a healthier lunchbox should:

- be based on starchy carbohydrates (bread, potatoes, rice, pasta);
- include fresh fruit and vegetables/salad;
- include a source of protein such as beans and pulses, eggs, fish, meat, cheese (or dairy alternative);
- include a side dish such as a low-fat and lower-sugar yoghurt (or dairy alternative), tea cake, fruit bread, plain rice/corn cakes, homemade plain popcorn, sugar-free jelly;
- include a drink such as water, skimmed or semi-skimmed milk, sugar-free or no-added-sugar drinks

The Eatwell Guide and Change4life offer great ideas for healthy lunchbox ideas.

Sixth Form Historians

Calling all Sixth Form Historians. The below talk will be incredibly useful and interesting, sign up here: <https://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/mycuform/view.php?id=1283299>

CHINA STUDIES WEBINAR SERIES 2021-22 Term 1

Webinar Information. 24 Nov 2021 (Wed) 12:00 – 1:30pm Topic: The Civilianization of War in Twentieth-Century China Speaker: Linh VU (Assistant Professor, Arizona State University)

Year 12 Students Competition

Rex Nettleford Prize for Year-12 Students: Essays on Colonialism and its Legacies | Oriel College

The Rex Nettleford Prize is an essay competition open to UK students who are currently in Year 12. The winner of the competition will be awarded a prize of £250.

<https://www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/study-us/schools-liaison/rex-nettleford-prize-year-12-students-essays-colonialism-and-its-legacies>

U14 Footballers Wanted



Sixth Form

Don't forget there is still time to apply for a Sixth Form place at Turing in September 2022.

Be one of the first Year 12 students to use our brand-new facilities! Check our website for application form.

Sports Round up

It is fantastic to see our Sports Teams in action once again after such a long absence!

Friendly School Football Matches

With much anticipation and excitement surrounding future football fixtures, a friendly match against Hampton High was organised for the Year 9 boys' team.

The boys fought hard but Hampton High came away with a 2-1 win, giving the team plenty to be determined about in their next friendly fixture against Twickenham on 2nd December. Watch out for friendly fixtures happening soon for the Year 7 and 8 teams - the year 7 team will be playing Hampton High on Monday 29th November and the Year 8 team will be playing the same opponents on Monday 22nd November.

Basketball Fixtures - Student Shout Out

A big shout out goes to all the students currently taking part in basketball fixtures. This week, the Year 10 and 11 girls were in action against St Richard Reynolds and the Year 8 and 9 boys took part in a tournament against other schools from the borough.

Whilst both teams did not manage to come away with the win, the PE Department (and whole school) is incredibly proud of the students involved in these fixtures.

While we eagerly await our new school which will allow us to practice basketball, it can be difficult for us to fully prepare for games in the meantime. However, students have not allowed this to curb their enthusiasm and energy for these fixtures which has been great to see - well done and keep it up!

Year 7 Table Tennis Regional Competition

The Year 7 boys who won the Richmond Borough competition took part in the next stage of the table tennis competition this week. Representing Richmond Borough, they played against schools from all over South London.

The boys were up against some tough competition but played very well, finishing 5th place in total.

Well done to William, Keaton, Veliko and Felix on representing the school and giving your all!

Borough Rugby League Tournament

This week has seen the borough rugby league tournament take place in Twickenham. A determined Year 8 team got things underway on Tuesday and put in a fantastic display of teamwork and relentless effort. They beat Richmond Park Academy and Richmond upon Thames, and drew with St Richard Reynolds.



These results were good enough to win the tournament! The team now progress through to the regional competition where they will represent Richmond borough on Tuesday 23rd November. A fantastic achievement, well done to the whole team and good luck in the next stage of the competition!

The Year 9 team then played on Wednesday. Having never played rugby league before, they lost to Richmond upon Thames 3 tries to 0 but managed a 2-2 draw (very nearly a first win until the last play of the match!) against Richmond Park Academy.

Well done to everyone involved! The Year 7 and Year 10 teams also have their rugby league tournament coming up.

Richmond Borough Cross Country

Well done to everyone who competed at this year's Richmond Borough Cross Country event.

As expected, a big turn out from plenty of local schools meant that this competition made for a fantastic race day experience.



Everyone gave their all and, ultimately, enjoyed the day out. The Year 7 students ran first, completing a 2.2km course. Harry C-S (Y7) finished 3rd and Eleanor S. (Y7) finished 2nd!

The Year 8-12 runners then took part in a 4.4km race. Millie C. (Y10) came 5th, Kit H. (Y12) finished in 4th place and Jack H. (Y12) took 5th place!

A great achievement, well done again to all the runners!



Remembrance Day

It was lovely to see so many of our students taking part this year in this event.



Hasan in Year 7 and his brother Jawad participated in their first Remembrance Day parade in Richmond. They both represented the Police Cadets after joining them September.

Hannah in Year 10 also took part in this event. During the day and evening on Saturday, the cadets helped raise just under £30k selling poppies and programmes at the Royal Albert Hall.

On Sunday she also proudly marched past the Cenotaph and was saluted by Prince William as she marched back to Horse Guards Parade.

Well done Hannah, Hasan & Jawad! We are proud of you.

Teddington Rugby Club



TEDDINGTON HOCKEY CLUB

Our thriving Junior section offers:

All abilities welcome aged 4+

Two weekly training sessions and matches for age groups U10 +

Focus on safety, fun and development

U18 Girls National Semi-Finalists
40 + County Players
10 Performance Centre Players
2 UK Lions Players
1 GB Elite Development Player

For details on teams, training times & pitches
Visit: www.teddingtonhockey.club/junior-teams
Contact: teddingtonhcbookings@gmail.com

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Curriculum update – Year 8

Year 8 parents will now be aware that we are replacing the teaching of 'A Gathering Light' as part of our curriculum review. We still believe it is important to ensure that all our students are aware of the appalling consequences of racism as we learn from this text. However, we believe it can be done without the reading of literature that contains racial slurs.

This term, we are excited to have received a delivery of books as part of our work with Penguin on their 'Lit in Colour' programme.

We would urge our Year 8 students to develop their wider reading in the light of this term's study, by coming to the library to read and then feedback on these new texts, to ensure our developments for the upcoming Year 8 take into account the views of their peers. Students who are interested in getting involved should speak their English teacher.

Christmas Carol Concert

Off The Record Twickenham working with Richmond Music Trust invites you to our

Christmas Carol Concert

- ★ Readings and performances by local young people
- ★ Followed by light refreshments and raffle

Tuesday 14th December
6.30pm

St Mary's Church
Church Street Twickenham

Tickets
£12 online
£15 at the door
Under 15s free

Booking and info
otrwtwickenham.com/xmas2021
admin@otrwtwickenham.com

Funds raised will support OTR's vital work counselling local young people