

25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## Message from Mr O'Sullivan

We were delighted to welcome Greenwood Community Centre to Turing House this week. Greenwood Community Centre, based in Hampton, runs and hosts a variety of activities and events for the local community.

We arranged this week for several of their older members to come to Turing House to see what life was like in a modern-day school. Four students in Year 9, Sophie, Demi, Mariyah and Beatrice, looked after our visitors as they experienced History, Science and Drama lessons. They thought our school was lovely, but also made sure our students realised how lucky they were with the facilities available at THS. It was particularly interesting listening to the impacts of World War II and their thoughts on school discipline.



## Innovate Catering

Our Catering Company would like parents and students to complete the survey below. It is to find out what food the students like and ways in which the canteen can be improved. Thank you.

Please click here: [Canteen Student Survey](#)

## Journalism Club Article

### How to Manage Feelings of Stress

By Holly M 8L

For our Year 11s and 13s, this year the focus is on their upcoming GCSE and A-levels exams. Understandably, some people during this time may be feeling the familiar wave of stress.

Being able to help yourself if you're feeling overwhelmed is very important, especially for young people. Here is some advice from Young Minds if you've been feeling stressed:

1. Routine and structure are a good way to be organised and stay on top of your studies.
2. Include breaks, and don't overwork.
3. While exams may seem like the most important thing in young people's lives, it can be easy to neglect [self-care](#). It is important to take care of yourself as well as revise, otherwise you will not be able to perform well.

Our PLUS team have this advice for students:

"The greatest weapon against stress is our ability to choose one thought over another."

"You can't stop the waves, but you can learn to surf."

## Dates for your diary:

**14<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas Dinner**

**15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day/Last Day of Term**

**29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> March – We Will Rock You school show**

Most importantly, as the child psychologist Dr Lisa Damour says, it's useful to remember that a certain amount of stress is a normal part of life. It can help us know that something is important to us, help us get started, and help us focus.

For more information, have a look on the website below:

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/blog/how-to-manage-stress-in-the-lead-up-to-exams/#>

### Year 11 and Year 13 Mock Exams

Well done to all our Year 11 and Year 13 students who completed their mock exams this week. And a big thank you to all our Invigilators, our SEN team and our Exams Officer who supported them all in the process.

### Dr Frost Maths Class Competition



The race is on to accumulate as many DFM points as possible before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December! The Maths Dept are in fierce competition to see whose classes in Y7 & 8 will come out on top!

### Sixth formers supporting Bishop Perrin

This term our Year 12 Sixth Formers started their VISA (Volunteering in Schools Award) program, which involves them selecting one class a week in Years 7-11 and supporting in class with the students' learning. This has already been a great success and many of the students have said how much they enjoy this.

In addition to this, some of our Year 12s and 13s opted to complete their volunteering at Bishop Perrin Primary

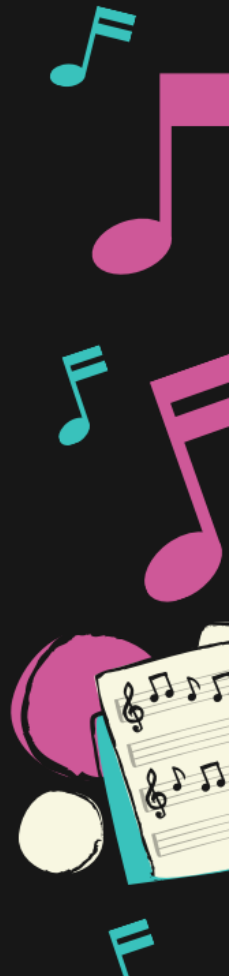
School, a local school just a short walk from Turing House. The Sixth Formers have been supporting pupils in Years 3-6 by listening to them read and helping with timetables. Several of the Year 12 students have said how lovely it was to go and help in a primary school - they had forgotten how small everything seems in a primary school in comparison to secondary!

### Music clubs

## MUSIC CLUBS!!

STARTING SOON!!

**BAND, CHOIRS, ORCHESTRA, GUITAR CLUB!! PLEASE COME TO A SHORT MEETING ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 22ND IN THE MUSIC ROOM AT 1:05!! IF YOU WERE IN A MUSIC CLUB FROM SEPTEMBER OR YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN ONE/ ASK QUESTIONS- PLEASE COME TO THE SHORT MEETING!**



### Turing Journalist piece

#### Why Should I Join Warhammer Club?

By Luke W (Turing Journalist)

Warhammer 40,000 is a miniature wargamer made by company Games Workshop. It is the most popular miniature wargame in the world and is particularly popular in the United Kingdom. It began in 1983 and is still going to this day!

Some of the most liked and popular Warhammer armies are:

- Space Marine
- Chaos space Marines
- Eldar
- Astra Militarum

Here's what our current members have to say:

Thomas W said, 'it's fun because you get to paint and build.'

Lucian: "I love to paint and I rate it 100/100."

Mr. Coombes loves running Warhammer as it "brings people together".

***The Warhammer Club is in room 1.22 run by Mr. Coombes on Thursdays at 3PM.***

## History Christmas Competition



## Previously in Chemistry

This week, Y11 students revisited the method to obtain pure water from salt water through simple distillation! They seemed pretty happy with their pure water that they managed to obtain!

There is this idea that pure water can kill you but the very concept of 'pure' water is misleading. Pure water does not exist in nature and even if you obtained pure water from a lab, as soon as you tried to consume it, it would become almost immediately not pure as soon as it dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere and mixed with the saliva and then the gastric juices of the person that consumed it; it will be closer to regular water than pure water.



Year Y9 students experimented on separating mixtures. Their task was to obtain sand and (pure) salt from a mixture of a sand-salt solution. Students conducted filtration and evaporation in order to get the desired products!





Y10 students investigated weak and strong acids. Students were able to identify (using universal indicator) weak and strong acids such as ethanoic acid (commonly known as vinegar) and hydrochloric acid (what we have in our stomach – by the way, do you

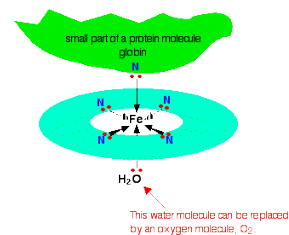
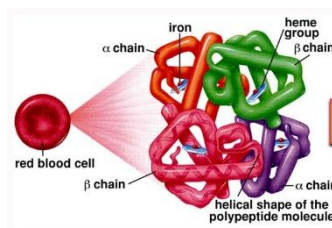


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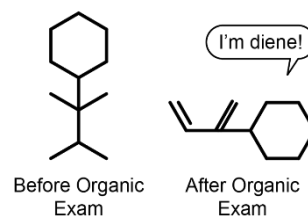
Year 13 conducted an investigation to identify the colour changes as a result of ligand substitution and the formation of complex ions. They were also very happy with the variety of coloured solutions and precipitates!

This is a very important mechanism that underpins the processes of carrying oxygen in the blood. Haemoglobin is one of nature's complexes using a transition metal ion ( $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ ).

The haem molecule is a complex with iron(II) at its centre. Oxygen atoms form a dative covalent bond with the  $\text{Fe}(\text{II})$  which enables oxygen molecules to be transported around the body in the blood.



### This week's chemistry joke



### Careers Fair – Help needed!

Turing House are holding their first ever Careers Fair on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm! Thank you so much to all the Parents/Carers who have already signed up to participate.

We are hoping to have representatives from a wide variety of careers available for our Year 10/11 & 12 students and their parents to widen their knowledge of the vast array of opportunities open to them in the future.

Are you able to help us in any way? Do you run a company or have an interesting job that our students may be interested in?

Are you willing spend some time telling them about your experience in the workplace/your career path?

If you feel this is something you are able to do, please contact us on [info@turinghouseschool.org.uk](mailto:info@turinghouseschool.org.uk) with a brief overview of your career/company/contact details and we will be in touch with further details.

## Christmas Library donations

Each Christmas, many parents choose to donate to the library as a way of saying 'thank you' to staff here. If you would like to donate, we are in need of more non-fiction books and graphic novels. Please select books from the following book lists. Thank you very much to anyone who gifts us a book.

Fiction: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3OHZ1M6U9CLY0>

Non-fiction: <https://www.waterstones.com/booklist/3107451/vi-ki-veale-turing-house-school-library>

We received some anonymous donations this week, so thank you so much to the people who donated!



## Christmas Lunch – Weds 14<sup>th</sup> December

Our date for our Christmas Lunch is Wednesday 14th December. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch, **bookings are open on Parent Pay from now until Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec as a separate item**. The cost is £2.55; 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 other food will be available for purchasing.

Students eligible for **Free School Meals** will automatically be provided with a full Christmas meal so there is no need to pre-book if your child is on Free School Meals.



## Preparing for Adulthood

Green Corridor's 'Preparing for Adulthood' Event is targeted at exploring next steps for young people with Special Educational Needs. We would like to invite parents, carers, local schools, and local businesses to our Learning & Development Centre. On this day you will have the opportunity to speak to our Careers Team, and our other dedicated staff about next steps for your young person. There will be opportunities to speak to several supported internship providers, for those looking at gaining training and work experience in readiness for the future. This will take place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022. Go to [greencorridor.org.uk](https://greencorridor.org.uk) and search Preparing for Adulthood Event to book.

## Year 10 Girls Netball Tournament

The Year 10 girls took part in a netball tournament earlier this week, competing against other schools from across the borough. This fixture added to the many tournaments that our new facilities have hosted in just 10 school weeks so far - plenty more to come! Unfortunately, the Turing team weren't able to edge out the opposition on the netball court, but they did - as always - represent the school beautifully and apply a



consistent show of determination throughout each match. Well done to all involved!

### Year Boys 8 Basketball

Earlier in the week, the Year 8 boys played two of their Junior NBA basketball league matches back-to-back, taking place at Green School. The Turing team played Green School first where they quickly found their form and settled into the game early on, securing the win by the end of the final quarter. Up next was the second game against Lampton which was a close game. The boys showed great heart and determination, but it was Lampton who finished victorious. Well done to all involved!

### Year 8 Boys Football vs Twickenham

The Year 8 boys took part in a friendly football match against Twickenham this week. This was a good opportunity for the team to get some practice in while they eagerly await their next opponent in the third round of the Surrey Cup. The Turing team came out on top of this friendly with our nearest school neighbours, giving them a boost in confidence and a chance to further their attacking and defensive form. Well done to all involved!

### Year 8 Rugby League Tournament

Having won the borough rugby league competition two weeks ago, the Year 8 boys took part in the regional stages of the competition this week, taking place at St James Boy's School. The Turing team came up against four other schools, all looking to progress onto the final, and finished the day winning two of their four matches. This was a big improvement from the previous year as the boys put on a fine display of attacking open space as well as plenty of try-saving tackles. Well done to all involved!

### U16 Girls Basketball Tournament

A combined senior girls team comprising of Year 10 and 11 students took to the basketball court at Twickenham this week. They took part in a borough-wide tournament where they were up against some well-

drilled teams. A crucial win against Richmond upon Thames in the first round meant that The Turing team managed to finish in fourth place, giving them a focus for their two remaining league fixtures coming up. Well done to all involved!



### Free Taster Session Harlequin Amateurs RFC

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9.30am-2.30pm from 31 January to 21 March 2023 (not 14 Feb).

To find out more, contact  
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