



10th February 2023

Message from Mr O'Sullivan

A huge well done to the excellent attitude of all the students completing mocks this week. It has been noticeable how many students are reading revision cards as they are coming in each morning. I have been incredibly impressed by the conversations I've been overhearing in the lunch queue. Students are desperate to do well which is lovely to see. If any parents have time to spare to get added to our pool of exam invigilators, it would be greatly appreciated as we are in need of additional support. It's a straightforward role with good organisation and a swan-like presence the only real requirements. Reach out in the normal way if you are interested.

Our thoughts go out to Turkey and Syria, and our Turing families that have loved ones and connections there. The massive natural disaster is currently recording a death toll of 21,000 which is a number that is hard to fathom. I am aware of students in the school and staff that are busy looking into ways in which we can support the victims of this disaster. In the short term, if you are able to and wish to contribute to the relief effort, please donate here:

- AFAD - Turkey's official Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency

<https://en.afad.gov.tr/earthquake-humanitarian-aid-campaign>

- AKUT - Voluntary search, assist and rescue organization
<https://www.akut.org.tr/en/donation>
- British Red Cross
<https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>
- AHBAP - One of the most active voluntary networks, active in the affected regions
<https://ahbap.org/>

Literacy Fact

Over the forthcoming weeks, we will be including a 'Literacy Fact' for the week as part of an 'Improve Student Literacy' drive. We would be very grateful if you could discuss our inclusions at home and help us to ensure that students consider why they are using certain elements of literacy.

Fact 1 Colons:

Colons are used for lists and explanations.

Lists – The colon is used to let you know that a list is about to begin. You will need the following ingredients: a large egg, 200 grams of flour, 250ml of milk.

Explanations – Colons are used to divide a sentence where the second part of the sentence explains the first

Last day of term – Friday 10th February

INSET day – 20th February

Dates for your diary:

29th/30th March – We Will Rock You school show

part, or tells you more about it. The office was empty; everyone had finished their work and gone home.

Keeping hydrated in school

We are seeing an increasing number of students coming to the school medical room complaining of headaches, especially from late morning onwards. In many cases these headaches could be prevented as students have come to school without a water bottle and have not drunk sufficient water.

Please would parents/carers ensure that students come to school with a water bottle (ideally refillable) so that they are adequately hydrated throughout the day.

Year 8 Tapas night

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, some Year 8 students enjoyed a selection of tapas at Bar Estilo, Teddington. They spoke about their favourite dishes in Spanish and revised the adjectives to describe the different dishes. Students enjoyed experiencing new flavours and some even tried foods they had never eaten before! The chocolate with churros at the end were a unanimous favourite. Bar Estilo saved the best until last.

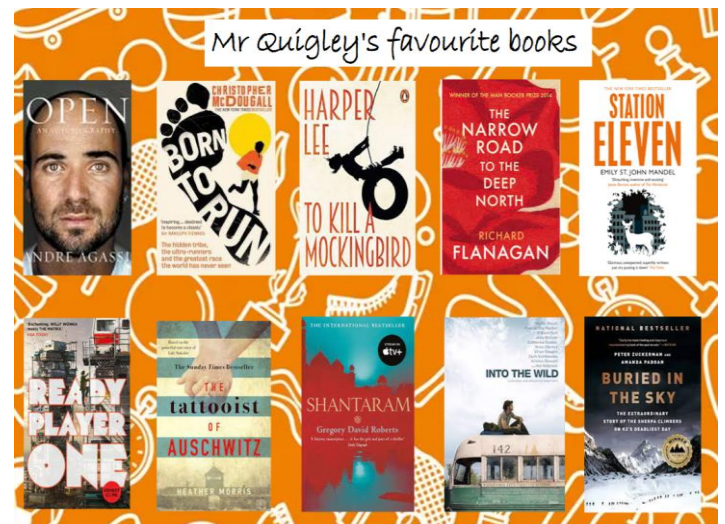


Jack Petchy

Congratulations to our brilliant Y10 speakers who performed their Jack Petchey speeches to the class so we could whittle down the short list. Henry, Lucas, Ramprakash, Meg, Landen and Yusuf talked about topics from climate change to education, from religious minorities to social inequality as well as life lessons from rugby. Landen and Meg will now represent the school in March. Good luck!



Books recommended by Mr Quigley



Open by Andre Agassi

Born to Run by Christopher McDougall

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

The Narrow Road to the Deep North by Richard Flanagan

Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

The Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

Shantaram by David Gregory Roberts

Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer

Buried in the Sky by Peter Zuckerman

World War One Poetry

As part of our study of 'Remembrance' by Theresa Breslin, students in 7C1 looked at a variety of poems inspired by WWI that disillusioned the glorification of war.

Ilyas S and Sofia B felt inspired and wrote their own poem:

In Flanders fields, the poppies blow.
Everything is wrong, everything is slow.
The mothers say 'I told you so.'
In Flanders fields, the sun didn't glow.

In Flanders fields, the soldiers die.
Each poppy represents each 'goodbye'.
The younger chaps that would lie
still and motionless beneath the sky.

The bishops exclaim 'your son will come back.'
As they launch their final attack.
But as their bags are ready and packed,
Another body is added to the stack

At the church, families mourn.
Remembering their soldiers being born.
Until they reach their final dawn.
In Flanders Fields.

Year 8 Blood Brothers

Y8B/En1 have been demonstrating their drama skills in English with Ms Lewis, reading 'Blood Brothers' with beautiful expression. 'Blood Brothers' is a musical by Willy Russell set in 1980s Liverpool. It's showing at Richmond Theatre in late February and we highly recommend the play.



Reception Library

As you will know from our recent letter home, we are hoping to set up a small library in our reception for parents and carers to use. We would like it to contain books which parents and carers would enjoy reading by themselves, but also books which they'd enjoy reading to or with their children. We hope this could be a brilliant resource for our school community, however we are relying on the generosity of donations from our parent and carer body in order to make this possible. We are hoping that some of you might be able to donate second-hand books which could be shared. We would really like the library to contain a wide range of books, so if there is a book which you enjoyed, whether it is fiction or non-fiction, I am sure it would be perfect!

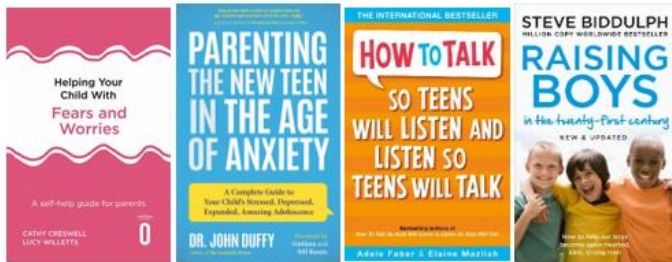
If you do have any books which you'd be able to donate, please send them in, and ask your sons and daughters to bring them to Ms Riglin in room 1.24. Any support will be highly appreciated. Some inspiration/ideas of the sorts of books it would be great to have are below:



Lifestyle



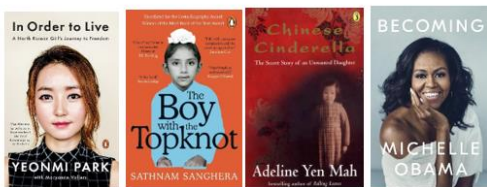
Parenting Books



General Fiction



Autobiography



Reading With Teens



- Revise glossary terms using Quizlet
- Listen to set work
- Use YouTube for help

History - Ms Riglin

- Mocks are one of life's stepping stones towards 'the big thing'
- You are the best year group ever!
- I wish you the best of luck!

RP - Ms Rodgers

- Take regular breaks when revising
- Look after your wellbeing with fitness and mindfulness
- Good luck and try not to stress too much

Spanish - Miss Shilton

- Past papers are your friend
- Do quizzes, Quizlet and Booklet
- Ask people to test you to help you engage
- I'm sure you will all do very well, you are all already doing excellently!

Science - Mr Hall

- Make a manageable timetable
- Schedule your breaks
- Research effective ways to revise
- Keep calm, don't panic and try your best!
- Stick to your timetable and make it realistic
- Ask your teachers for tips

Geography - Ms Atkinson

- Do 20 to 30 minutes of revision
- Do different activities
- Revise with somebody else
- Eat well
- Keep calm, look after yourself and ask for help if you need it

DT - Mr Johns

- Don't leave it to the last minute
- Test yourself
- Space your revision times out
- Challenge yourself
- Test weak spots

Year 11 & 13 Mock exams

Good Luck Year 11 & Year 13

by Turing Journalist Club

From Monday 6th February to Tuesday the 28th of February, the Year 11s and Year 13s will be taking their GCSE mock exams. Their teachers have some golden nuggets of advice, we have a list below:

English - Mr Wood

- Make sure that your revision is well planned and varied. It can get boring!
- Think carefully about your test results and use them as constructive criticism
- Good luck and don't be concerned – these are a learning opportunity.

Art - Ms MacDouall

- Attend coursework club
- Good luck!

Music - Ms Yard

- Keep it visual
- Make a mind map, keep it colourful

Best of luck from Mr Johns and the DT and Art departments

Maths - Ms Nicholl

- Make sure to do Dr Frost practice
- Do past paper
- Attendance

Good luck!

We all wish the Year 11s best of luck and know that they will do very well!

Year 13 Mocks

Last week, in preparation for their mock exams, Year 13 Literature students enjoyed a prose workshop delivered by Dr Andrew Green from Brunel University. They focused on using contexts of the texts as a way to build connections. Students enjoyed their time refreshing their knowledge of the texts and seeing them in new ways.

Adam said 'it was a pleasure to work with someone with such vast experience and knowledge of literature today; it certainly helped me improve how I compare contextual factors in the prose texts.'

Archie said 'today provided a useful guide and insight into how one should attempt to look at the world around us through literature, and how literature has evolved through time, both in its creation and its reception.'



Year 13 Auschwitz trip

On Thursday last week, Mrs Lamb and four Year 13



students went on a day trip to Poland to Auschwitz Birkenau concentration and extermination camp. The trip was made as part of the Holocaust Education Trust's ground-breaking

'Lessons from Auschwitz' project which aims to increase knowledge and understanding of the Holocaust for young people. Prior to the visit, students engaged in an online orientation before making the visit to Poland for a one-day tour of authentic sites and museum exhibits. After visiting the local town, an engaging guide-educator gave a tour of the grounds of Auschwitz I. We were told about the history of the camp and the experience of the prisoners. Following, this Auschwitz



II- Birkenau was visited. This was simultaneously one of the largest concentration camps for Jewish, Poles, Roma and other prisoners and also the location of the murder of 1 million European Jews.

Year 9/10/11 Girls Football v Twickenham

The Year 9-11 girls started their football league fixtures last week as they made the short trip across the road to take on Twickenham. They got off to a flying start as the girls looked to be on excellent form in all areas of the pitch, keeping their formation throughout the game and creating multiple chances up front. This resulted in the Turing team keeping a clean sheet while scoring several goals past the opposition. Their next match is against Richmond upon Thames after the half term break. Well done to all involved!



Year 7 Boys Football v Christ's

The Year 7 boys were treated to a friendly football match this week, taking on Christ's and playing away from home. The Turing team looked to be on form from the start, as they have been for most of the year so far. However, they were caught out by an accurate freekick from the home side in the second half, with the match finishing 2-1 at the final whistle. The boys still have one league game to play after the half term break. If they win that game, they would play in the league final against Christ's. A chance for redemption, perhaps. Well done to all involved!



Year 7 Boys Basketball v Twickenham

The Year 7 boys faced Twickenham on the basketball court this week. This was their last league fixture before the play-off game, where they play the team who finished in the same position on the other side of the league to determine the overall borough league winners. There was one quarter in the match where Twickenham looked to threaten the lead that the Turing team worked hard to establish from early on in the game. The boys managed to hold their own to the end, however - the man-to-man marking that the boys have been working on proved to aid their offensive game as the turnover rate was high. The match finished 27-20, giving the Y7s a chance to finish first in their side of the league depending on other school's results. Well done to all involved!



U14 Boys Basketball v Christ's

The combined Year 8 and 9 team travelled to Christ's School earlier in the week to take to the basketball court once again. There was a lot at stake as these two teams were the winners of their respective pools, so they were coming together to battle it out for the overall borough league title. Christ's took an early lead

but the Turing team kept themselves in the race with some fast turn overs and accurate shooting of their own. By the end of the second quarter, the boys had taken the lead, only for Christ's to make a comeback in the third. The action-packed final quarter finished with a Christ's win, but THS narrowly lost 28-33 - a brilliant effort given that they were down by 14 points. Well done to all involved!

Mentoring Opportunities

Apply now to get mentored by a FTSE business professional over the course of 5 weeks! This programme will begin on Thursday 23rd February with a virtual evening event, followed by 4 (weekly) online

DirectLine Group 1:1 mentoring sessions, and also an in-person work-experience day on the 15th March

in Bromley. Please note you must be able to attend all the sessions. [Direct Line Group Mentoring Opportunity 2023 Survey \(surveymonkey.co.uk\)](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk)

Law Insight Evening with Fragomen

Tuesday 14th February, 5pm -7:30pm - Fragomen

FRAGOMEN London Offices

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Rotary Youth Leadership Awards 2023

The Venue

The District 1145 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is held at the High Ashurst Outdoor Activity Centre in the beautiful Suney Hills on Box Hill near Dorking. The upgraded activity centre, with magnificent Deluxe Log accommodation Cabins, all with en-suite bathrooms, offers excellent opportunities for outdoor team building programmes and sports activities. These modern facilities include a newly built climbing wall like no other. The refurbished centre provides a kaleidoscope of training and activity opportunities and offers you training that will be stimulating, involving, challenging and fantastic fun.

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- Develop personal self-confidence whilst leading others
- Increase individual self-esteem by stepping outside one's comfort zone and realising what can be achieved by pushing that bit further
- Improve your leadership skills
- Gain exposure to a variety of issues
- To meet a wide range of young people with similar interests
- Improve career skills and knowledge

How do I apply?

If you would like to attend RYLA 2023 please contact your local Rotary Club and ask for an application form.


RYLA Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Further details can be obtained by contacting Alan Wellman (District Rotary Co-ordinator) Mobile 07951 413877 Email:- alanwellman@btinternet.com



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 1145
ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS 2023**

Week 1 - Sunday 30th July - Friday 4th August 2023
Week 2 - Sunday 13th August - Friday 18th August 2023



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Kingston Choral Society

Singing Workshop: A German Requiem – Brahms Led by Andrew Griffiths with Accompanist Gavin Roberts

Join with Kingston Choral Society on Thursday 30 March... to sing choruses from Brahms' much loved choral masterpiece. This superbly tender work was inspired by the deaths of two people dear to Brahms - his mentor, Robert Schumann, and his mother.



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Visitors can be sure of both a warm welcome and an inspirational musical experience. The workshop is led by Kingston Choral Society's music director, Andrew Griffiths with Gavin Roberts, our regular accompanist - both outstanding musicians with national and international reputations.

If you love this marvellous music, and would like to know it better, save the date. Thursday 30 March 2023 7.00-10.00pm. The venue is the main hall of The Hollyfield School, Surbiton KT6 4TU.

Tickets are on sale at £12 for visitors, £10 for members and Friends of KCS and £6 for students and under 18s at www.kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk

The ticket price includes music hire for those without scores and an interval drink and cake. The evening also features a cake stall and a raffle.

Saturday 25 March 2023, 7.30pm

Open Rehearsal 2.30 – 4pm

All Saints Church, Market Place
Kingston upon Thames KT1 1JP



MOZART
Mass in C Minor

GATTI (after Haydn)
Creation Mass

HAYDN
Insanae et vanae curae

Ffion Edwards Soprano

Shakira Tsindos Alto

Phillip Costovski Tenor

Jack Holton Bass



with the **Thames Sinfonia**

Andrew Griffiths Conductor

TICKETS

£8 – £16 from 020 8390 3252
www.kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk or at the door

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Kingston Choral Society
Spring Concert
Saturday 25 March 2023



MOZART *Mass in C Minor*

GATTI (after Haydn) *Creation Mass*

HAYDN *Insanae et vanae curae*

Kingston Choral Society presents enduring delights from the Classical repertoire, but with a twist! **Mozart's** magnificent *Mass in C Minor* features alongside the dramatic *Insanae et vanae curae* by Mozart's friend and mentor, **Haydn**. Meanwhile, the intriguing *Creation Mass* is a transformation of some of the most famous music from Haydn's oratorio into the form of a mass by the Italian composer, **Luigi Gatti**.

Launched in 1950, **Kingston Choral Society** (KCS) has won a reputation for high standards and adventurous programming, mixing popular classics with lesser-known gems. Recent performances include a spectacular *Venetian Vespers*, featuring music by Monteverdi and his contemporaries.

The choir's four annual concerts include at least two with professional orchestras and high-calibre soloists. With the aim of delighting and invigorating our audiences, KCS presents not only beloved works by composers such as Bach, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Brahms, but also less familiar pieces: recent seasons have included music by Howells, Dyson, Skempton, Stanford and contemporary composers such as Bob Chilcott, Cecilia McDowall, Jonathan Dove and Graham Ross.

Most concerts are held within the Royal Borough, but in recent years KCS has performed Bach's *St John Passion* and *B Minor Mass*, Haydn's *Creation* and Verdi's *Requiem* at Cadogan Hall. The choir numbers about 100 enthusiastic singers from Kingston and its environs.

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Ffion Edwards Soprano
Shakira Tsindos Alto
Phillip Costovski Tenor
Jack Holton Bass

with the **Thames Sinfonia**

Andrew Griffiths Conductor

Andrew Griffiths is a highly sought-after choral conductor, renowned for his vibrant, imaginative and eclectic programming, and his inspirational work with professional and amateur groups alike. He regularly broadcasts and records with the BBC Singers, and has conducted the BBC Symphony Chorus, New London Chamber Choir and the choirs at Dartington Summer School. Equally busy in the world of opera, he has conducted productions for The Royal Opera, Royal Ballet, Welsh National Opera and Opera North, and is currently Head Coach at the National Opera Studio. He also sings as a member of the Gramophone Award-winning vocal consort Stile Antico.

New members welcome

If you enjoy singing and would like to take part in our concerts, please come along to a rehearsal and see if you would like to join. We rehearse at The Hollyfield School, Surbiton, on Thursday evenings (term-time only) from 8-10pm.

For more details contact the Membership Secretary on 020 8942 2275 or email join@kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk or visit www.kingstonchoralsociety.org.uk

KCS gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Humphrey Richardson Taylor Charitable Trust.

Cover photo of Altstadt Salzburg by Christopher Budny.

- 45 minutes // £15 (£10 using discount code given by member teacher)

[Managing Exam Anxiety - a course for parents | Courses | Communicate-ed](#)

Half Term Hockey Camp

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Monday 13th February, 8:45-13:00	The Nest £30 per person	Boys U12-U18 Girls U14-U18
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Managing Exam Anxiety

While it's natural for exams to be daunting, anxiety and stress around exams is a big issue for thousands of young people. 82% of headteachers reported in 2022 that exam stress and anxiety was higher than pre-pandemic.

Communicate-ed has produced two courses with training expert **Lorraine Lee** on **Managing Exam Anxiety**.

The content of these courses is very similar, but one is aimed at teachers, and the other at parents. Please find some information and links to both courses below.

During these sessions, Lorraine:

- Explains the roots of Anxiety
- Helps with distinguishing severe anxiety from healthy nervousness
- Describes signs and symptoms of Anxiety
- Offers tips to help create the right environment
- Considers relevant exam access arrangements
- Describes calming techniques
- Gives suggestions for managing anxious thoughts and physical symptoms
- Managing Exam Anxiety - a course for parents

Rugby League

RUGBY LEAGUE

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admin@elmbridgerl.com

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Mens pre-season training starts, Tuesday 28th March : 7 - 8.15pm (U18s, Mens & Masters)
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Primaries training (Mixed) Saturdays : 10 - 11.30am, starts 22nd April

Matches: Saturday, AM-Juniors / Primaries & PM-Seniors / U18s

Knights Nations Extreme Holiday Camp

KNIGHTS NATIONS EXTREME HOLIDAY CAMP

AGES
12 to 16

DATES
Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February

VENUE
Waldegrave School
Twickenham

TIME
4.00 PM to 7.00 PM

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Scan here for further info and bookings

Knights Nations Holiday Camp

KNIGHTS NATIONS HOLIDAY CAMP

AGES
5 to 12

DATES
Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February

VENUE
Waldegrave School
Twickenham

TIME
10.00 AM to 3.00 PM
(Early drop-off available from 8.45 AM)

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South Thames College



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Saturday 19 NOVEMBER 10:00-13:00	Wednesday 9 NOVEMBER 16:30-19:00	Wednesday 30 NOVEMBER 17:00-19:00	Saturday 12 NOVEMBER 10:00-13:00
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Saturday 11 MARCH 10:00-13:00	Wednesday 8 MARCH 16:30-19:00	Wednesday 22 MARCH 17:00-19:00	Saturday 18 MARCH 10:00-13:00
Wednesday 28 JUNE 17:00-19:00	Friday 23 JUNE 11:00-14:00	Thursday 29 JUNE 17:00-19:00	Wednesday 21 JUNE 16:30-19:00
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Girls Rugby



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