

24th March 2023

Message from Mr O'Sullivan

Our Muslim students began Ramadan on Thursday. The dedication and commitment it takes to not eat in the hours between sunrise and sunset is a true feat of resilience, commitment and self-restraint. We wish all of our Muslim students the very best for this important pillar. Our thanks also go each year to Mrs Qureshi who manages the entire process of supporting our students at this time. This year we are stressing the importance to Muslim students that this period is not just about food but about interactions with other people, being kind and bettering oneself.



In other news, I couldn't be more excited about our school show taking place next week. You will all be aware that I am unashamedly a Queen fan, so this will be the highlight of my year I am sure. This is the first show that I have decided not to watch any rehearsals for, but I am hearing amazing things from the cast and crew about how well things are progressing.

To all of our Year 11 and 13 students (and Year 10 RP), the Easter holidays are almost upon us. This marks the last opportunity to really make an impact on outcomes in August. If any student is struggling with managing a revision timetable or is finding it hard to cope with the pressure of upcoming exams, please reach out and ask for support.

Year 11 Prom Non-uniform day

Year 11 Prom Non-Uniform Day Fundraiser – Friday 31st March 2023

The Celebration Committee are keen to raise a small bit of extra money to help us to buy some decorations for the Prom. In order to do so, we have planned to have a Non-Uniform Day for Year 11 students on Friday 31st March 2023. On this day, Year 11 students will be allowed to attend school in their own clothes, if they bring in a donation of £2. This will be collected by form tutors in from time.

Sunday 26th March – THF Second Hand Uniform Sale

31st March - Valencia school trip

Dates for your diary:

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

We Will Rock You show

We are looking forward to seeing some of you at We Will Rock You on Wednesday and Thursday. Remember your ticket is your ParentPay receipt. You can show this to our helpful Y11 ushers on your phone or print it out. The show starts at 7pm and, due to the layout of the hall, late admittance may not be possible, so please be on time. We expect that it will finish just after 8.



Journalism Club

HOLLY MYER'S BOOK OF THE WEEK: WUTHERING HEIGHTS by Holly M 8L

Written by Emily Bronte in 1847, Wuthering Heights takes place in 1771-1801, across two households set in the isolated and mysterious moors of England. The story revolves around the Earnshaw family of Wuthering heights, the Linton family of Thrushcross grange and the antihero of the novel, Heathcliff.

The novel starts in the late winter months of 1801, when a man named Lockwood rents a strange gothic manor in the moors called Thrushcross Grange. There, he meets the mysterious owner, Heathcliff, who lives in the ancient house of Wuthering Heights, a young man named Hareton Earnshaw and a beautiful but scornful and icy young woman called Cathy Linton. Lockwood asks the housekeeper, Nelly Dean, to tell him the story

of Heathcliff and the strange residents of Wuthering Heights, and he writes it down in his diary.

The protagonists of the novel – Catherine Earnshaw and Heathcliff, are childhood friends, happy, wild and free. However, as they grow older, money and social status come between them. Despite their love for one another, Catherine at one point asks the housekeeper, “Did it never strike you, Nelly, that, if Heathcliff and I married, we should be beggars?...” Instead she marries the wealthy Mr Linton of Thrushcross Grange while Heathcliff leaves and resolves to seek revenge.

When Heathcliff comes back to the isolated moors, Catherine resumes her close relationship with him. Catherine sees her love for Linton feeble compared to her love for Heathcliff- “he's more myself than I am.” The growing bad blood between him and Linton troubles Catherine so much she grows mad with regret of her marriage and yearning for her old, wild, free life leading to tragic consequences for all involved.

In conclusion, Wuthering Heights is a story about how tragic love and social inequality cause Heathcliff and Cathy's love for each other to not be sufficient for happiness and if anything, stirs up more agony. This novel is challenging in its complexity and depth in its narrative structure, language and themes. I recommend this book if you enjoy classic novels of tragedy, romance and gothic themes.

Books recommended by Miss Ramnarine

Miss Ramnarine's favourite books



The Cello Suites by Eric Sibiely

One Hundred Years of Solitude by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

This is Going to Hurt by Adam Kay

A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

Breath taking by Rachel Clarke

Shoe Dog by Phil Knight

The Curious incident of the Dog at Night-Time by Mark Haddon

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

Como Agua Para Chocolate by Laura Esquivel

The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

Literacy Fact – There, They're and Their

There means a place – 'over there' e.g. "*There are my books.*"

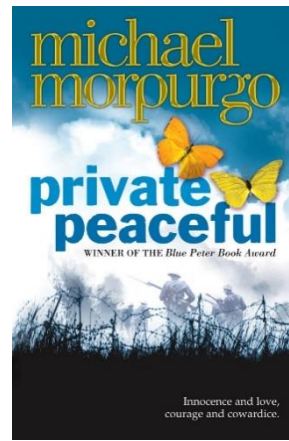
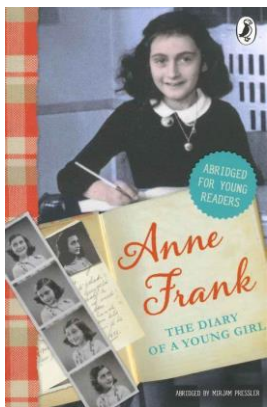
They're means 'they are' e.g. "*They're going to school.*" This is called a contraction of two words; where the apostrophe replaces the missing letter.

Their means 'belongs to them' e.g. "*Their performance was exceptional.*"

History Book Recommendations

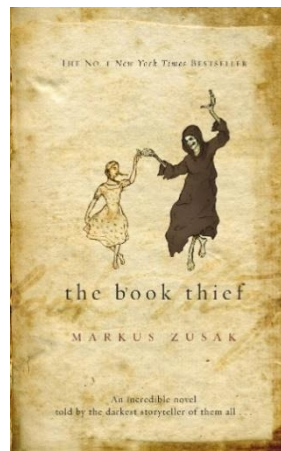
From the Year 9 History Volunteering Team

Anne Frank's Diary - This is the diary of a girl named Anne Frank, a Jewish girl who had to go into hiding due to the Nazis. In this diary, Anne explores the problems of being Jewish under Nazi Germany but a large amount of the diary explores the struggles of being a teenage girl.



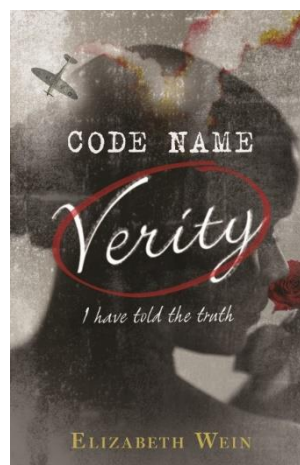
Private Peaceful - This book is from the point of view of a young boy becoming a soldier in World War One. While the start of the story starts off slow, it picks up later and the reader will experience many emotional highs and lows.

The Book Thief - Set in Germany in the years 1939-1943, The Book Thief tells the story of Liesel, narrated by Death who has in his possession the book she wrote about these years. So, in a way,



they are both book thieves. Liesel steals randomly at first, and later more methodically, but she's never greedy. Death pockets Liesel's notebook after she leaves it, forgotten in her grief, amongst the destruction that was once her street, her home, and carries it with him.

Code Name Verity - This is ultimately a story of friendship, love and loyalty. Two secret agents whom have become best friends. One an interrogator, Verity; the other, a pilot, Kittyhawk. Their mission to German occupied France goes awry and Kittyhawk is forced to make a crash landing and Verity has to parachute out. They become separated. The 1st half of the story is told



by Verity who has been captured by the Nazis and is armed with a pencil and paper, forced to disclose codes. What becomes her 'dissertation of treason' is a narrative of how the 2 friends met and the value of that friendship. The 2nd half of the story is told by Kittyhawk and her own ordeal as she was hidden by the French

resistance and sought information that Verity was still

alive. This is a heartbreaking and emotional, with characters so believable it's difficult to believe this is a work of fiction. Wein weaves a powerful WWII story about war, friendship and the extremes one will go to for another.

War of the Roses - The War of the Roses is a historical fiction about the power struggle for the English throne before the Tudors came to power in 1485. In 1437, after years of regency, the pious and gentle Henry VI, the Lamb, comes of age and accedes to the English throne. His poor health and frailty of mind render him a weakling king - Henry depends on his closest men, Spymaster Derry Brewer and William de la Pole, Duke of Suffolk, to run his kingdom. Yet there are those, such as the Plantagenet Richard, Duke of York, who believe England must be led by a strong king if she is to survive. With England's territories in France under threat, and rumours of revolt at home, fears grow that Henry and his advisers will see the country slide into ruin. With a secret deal struck for Henry to marry a young French noblewoman, Margaret of Anjou, those fears become all too real.

Ski trip 2024 – deposit deadline



The last chance for deposits to be paid for Ski Trip 24 is Monday 27th March! Do speak to Mr Quigley or Mr Winstanley about the trip should you have any questions.

Year 8 Drumming achievement

Louis N in Year 8 has just achieved a distinction in his Grade 8 Trinity drumming exam. We're very proud of his hard work and achievement! Well done!

Year 13 study

A current Year 13 student, who is preparing to write his EPQ (Extended Project Qualification), would very much

appreciate it if you would be willing to fill in the attached form via either the QR code or the link. The data he gathers will inform his study. Thank you!



<https://forms.office.com/e/2MfXTYpk2N>

Year 8 & 9 Boys Rugby League Training

Due to popular demand for more rugby league, Kevin Rudd of Elmbridge Eagles has very kindly offered all boys in Year 8 and 9 a free rugby league session after



school on our rugby pitch on Thursday 30th March. If numbers are encouraging on the day, then Kevin may look to offer more sessions and organise some matches after Easter. If boys wish to attend, they simply need to turn up with their kit (don't forget boots, water and a gum shield).

Women's Six Nations – England V France

With the Men's Six Nations Rugby Championship over for another year, it is forgivable to feel a sense of sadness (unless you are Irish, of course). Worry not, however, as it is now the women's turn to get their Six Nations Championship underway. This competition used to run alongside the men's competition, where matches were played either earlier in the day or later in the evening in order to accommodate the men's fixtures, which would be the only games to be broadcast on television. With an increased effort in women's sport by the UK - and indeed the rest of the sporting world - the Women's Six Nations

Championship is now its very own spectacle...and we are fortunate enough to be running a trip to see Grand Slam holders England (the number one ranked team in the world!) take on France at Twickenham on 29th April. If you have purchased a ticket for the event, details will be sent out soon!



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Year 7 Boys Rugby v Teddington

The Year 7 boys were back in action on the rugby pitch this week. Having played two games in the league already, the Turing team had to be patient for their first win which came against Teddington... and what a win it was. Several well-worked tries were scored as the boys enjoyed some fast-paced and fluent rugby, showing much improvement around the ruck as well as out wide where they looked to ship the ball on several occasions.



They play their last league encounter next Thursday at Richmond Park Academy in a double whammy

against the hosts and St Richard Reynolds. Well done to all involved!

Year 7 & 8 Girls Netball v RTS

Both junior girls' teams took to the netball court at the start of the week against Richmond upon Thames.



Having regrouped after beating Twickenham in their previous game, the girls were raring to go. The Year 8 team lost their game 15-10 but a special mention must be given to their unbelievable effort of near comeback. The



Turing team were 10-1 down at one point. Victory belonged to the Year 7 team however, as they fought hard to claim a 9-3 win in what turned out to be a very tightly contested match. Read on to find out how the Year

8 girls got on in their next match against Waldegrave, which took place the following day. Well done to all involved!

Year 8 Girls Netball v Waldegrave

The Year 8 girls had the help of one or two Year 7 students in their second netball fixture of the week. This time, they faced Waldegrave away. Having come very close to pulling off a crucial comeback in their previous game against Richmond upon Thames, the girls were looking to make a stronger start to deny their opposition a foothold in the game early on. However, Waldegrave threw everything at THS and did enough to prevent the Turing team any possibility of shifting the momentum in their favour. Nonetheless, the Year 8 girls will be treated to another round of netball for the third time this week when they attend a borough tournament this Friday. Well done to everyone involved!

Year 8, 9 & 10 Boys Football v Twickenham

Three teams were in action on the football pitch against Twickenham this week. The Year 8, 9 and 10 boys all took on the neighbouring school and managed a clean Turing sweep among all three games, building on previous wins to boost their league campaigns respectively. This win sees the Year 8 team finish their league fixtures on a high. Meanwhile, the Year 9 and Year 10 team both take on Hampton High next week - this will be the final league game for the Year 9 team but the penultimate game for the year 10 team. Well done to everyone involved!

Year 10 Girls Netball V RPA

This week the Year 10 girls were treated to a friendly netball match against Richmond Park Academy. A rare gap in the school sport fixture schedule provided the opportunity for the two teams to enjoy this practice game, with the opposition preparing for a forthcoming netball tour. The Turing team got off to a promising start putting 10 goals past RPA in the first quarter. The girls then showed no signs of slowing down as they continued to dominate up front while winning the defensive battle, making it a brilliant game to watch. Well done to all involved!



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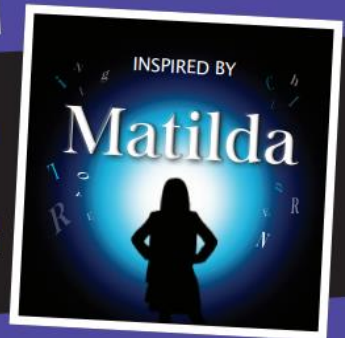
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EASTER WEEK 1

DATES
Monday 3rd April to Thursday 6th April

VENUE
Waldegrave School
Twickenham

BATTLE CAMP
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Time: 10:00-15:00
Early drop-off available from 8.45am

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Time: 16:00-19:00

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DATES
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