

19th May 2023

## Message from Mr O'Sullivan

This has been a momentous week for our Year 11 and Year 13 students who have officially started their GCSE and A Level exams. A lot of hard work and preparation has gone into getting them ready for these exams and we wish them the very best of luck; we have already been very impressed by the maturity and positive attitude that they have demonstrated this week: keep it up!

A special mention must also go to Year 10, wishing them the absolute best for their RP exam on Tuesday. I am hoping that they will add to the legacy that started with our founding year group with some amazing results in August.

I am also delighted this week to announce our Jack Petchey award winners. These students epitomize our unofficial motto: *'we do the right things because it is the right thing to do'*. Below are the reasons why these students have been identified for such an achievement.



### Zach Year 9

Zachary is a tremendously polite, well mannered, and enthusiastic student who stands out as a great role model for his tutor group, year group and the school. He works incredibly hard in all of his lessons and is always modest about his successes. He is willing to try new things and involves himself completely within the school community. He has been involved with so many aspects of our school this year, including: the school play; table tennis; robotics and cross-country club, just to name a few. In lessons, he is an absolute joy to teach, with all teachers agreeing. He is an excellent team

**Good luck to all our Year 10 students who are taking their RP GCSE exam next week!**



### Dates for your diary:

**Year 10 RP exam - 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Half term 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

player and works incredibly hard in lessons. He is polite and humble in his achievements; his work ethic is second to none. He approaches all his work in a diligent and mature way. He has clear goals and goes above and beyond what could reasonably be expected of a Year 9 student to ensure that he has the best chance of achieving his own goals. He has been a star in the Art department, being recognised as a super talented artist. From day one at Turing, he has worked so hard in Art lessons and has produced some outstanding pieces, including a beautiful watercolour piece which went on display. He is an inspiration in D&T, showing fantastic maturity and creativity, building on his D&T skills from Year 8. We are so lucky to have a student like Zach at Turing House. Well done, Zachary!

### Alice Year 9

Alice is a fantastic member of Turing House School. She is incredibly creative and is willing to enter competitions to share this with the school. Recently, she won a poetry competition that was against all the schools in the RET trust. At Christmas time, she volunteered to take the lead on creating a food hamper for a local charity. She also made a Christmas card, both of which were incredible. Alice has an extremely conscientious attitude to her lessons, completing all tasks with care and attention. She regularly does extra work in both lessons and at home. She is an amazing Spanish linguist and has shown massive improvements since Year 7. Alice has demonstrated an exceptional work ethic and consistently goes above and beyond in her Science lessons. She completes her homework and classwork to an excellent standard, which has been reflected in her great test scores. She has been a pleasure to teach this year. Alice has shown not only a great attitude to her Maths lessons, but to other members of the class also. She is incredibly kind when helping others with difficult content, always attempts the extension tasks, and is growing hugely in confidence in terms of her contribution to lessons. Well done, Alice, you are a valued member of Turing House School and the Year 9 team.



### Martha Year 10

Martha is an exceptional student, and a deeply valued member of Turing House School. Martha is the epitome of what kindness and generosity should look like. In lessons, she is considerate and helpful to those around her and faces her own adversities head on. Martha approaches school life with maturity and proactivity beyond her years. Martha has an excellent work ethic, and consistently prioritises academic progress in class and at home. Creating beautiful class notes, detailed revision materials and high-quality homework, Martha puts her all into every piece of work she produces. Martha has particularly stood out in Science where she is extremely diligent and hard-working, and also ensures she helps and supports other students around her. Martha is a wonderfully artistic student and has always put her all into her Art lessons; she has taken some fantastic photos in Photography too. She has great ideas and a unique creative vision. Above all, Martha is a wonderful and supportive friend, always caring for those around her and offering advice or affirmation. Hopefully this award will prove to Martha just how fantastic she is, as she is sometimes too modest to recognise this.

**Dougie Year 10**

Dougie is a pleasure to teach; conscientious, thoughtful and always with a positive mindset. His attendance and homework record in Science is impeccable and he has a very mature attitude to his studies with an outstanding work ethic. He is often willing to share his ideas with the rest of the class and has made valuable contributions to our class discussions. Dougie remains a trustworthy and driven young man, always looking to further his learning and development and aiding others along the way. Dougie is actively engaged in everything the form group does and shows unrivalled commitment to his learning across all the subjects at Turing House School. Dougie frequently receives the most positive points for the form. Described as a gem of a student, Dougie provides an outstanding example for his peers as well as consistently applying himself academically within lessons. Dougie is an outstanding student in both Maths and Computer Science; he works hard in lessons and is always keen to answer questions. He has unique ideas, which he is always happy to share with the class. He asks intelligent questions and is ready to learn from his mistakes. Dougie also excels in Geography and History, consistently making effort outside of class to progress his knowledge and understanding. Dougie really is a shining star of our Turing House community.

**Isadora Year 10**

Isadora is an incredibly hardworking young lady. She has assimilated into the culture of the school effortlessly. She is determined to succeed and has overcome the barriers she has faced with confidence and determination. In lessons, she is an excellent team player who works well independently and within the confines of a group. Isadora is a mature and self-motivated student who has a flair for Science. Isadora took part in an extra-curricular STEM mentoring programme where she was assigned a professional mentor in a field of STEM and engaged well with this programme, asking thoughtful questions and gaining experience and an insight into the types of careers available in the STEM industry. Isadora is not afraid to give up her time for others and has thrived in mentoring

younger students during tutor time this year. Isadora has maintained valuable friendships within the tutor group and continues to be a reliable member of 10U. Isadora is also building on her skillsets in D&T and her ideas show great innovation and creativity. Isadora is an incredible student who works incredibly hard at every opportunity. Not only is she impressively studious and dedicated to success, but she is also a good-humoured student who conducts herself with maturity and kindness. She deserves every ounce of praise she gets!

**Emily Year 12**

Emily is a conscientious, passionate and ambitious young person with a wide range of talents including in academic, extracurricular and tutorial contexts. Emily's willingness to ask thought-provoking questions and to seek opportunities for teacher feedback reflects her curiosity and thirst for knowledge. Diligent, helpful and committed are characteristics which encompass Emily's extracurricular persona exhibited in dance, performance and choreography scenarios. Since Year 7, Emily has been an integral part of the annual school show. In recent years she has not only taken on lead roles in the shows, but has also choreographed,

directed, and supported backstage and been an inspiration for other young performers who want to be 'just like Emily' when they are in Sixth Form. Her performance work in both Drama lessons and in school shows is well above her years. At the start of Year 12, Emily set up her own dance club for KS3 students which has been a popular part of the school's extra-curricular offering. Her manner with the students and the supportive way in which she teaches is exemplary. Emily's work in class is of an excellent standard. She is creative, ambitious and holds herself to the highest of accounts, taking every opportunity to improve or learn. Within her tutor group – and in her roles as Tutor Captain and School Prefect - Emily demonstrates traits including politeness and respect, both of which underline her status as a role model to all members of the school community.

I am also pleased to say that Mr Evans won our Jack Petchey Leader Award!

### Books recommended by Mrs Collins



*Wonder* by R J Palacio

*Queenie* by Candice Carty-Williams

*Northern Lights* by Philip Pullman

*A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara

*A Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood

*The Reader* by Bernhard Schlink

*Normal People* by Sally Rooney

*Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes

*Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro

*Atonement* by Ian McEwan

*Power* by Naomi Alderman

*The Elephant Vanishes* by Haruki Murakami

### Literacy Fact – Sentence Types

Some sentences are statements, some are questions, and some are instructions or commands. By making small changes, you can easily change the type of question you are writing.

Statement: 'You are going to school.'

Question: 'Are you going to school?'

Command/Instruction: 'Go to school.'

### County Champion

A huge congratulations to Kaiden G in Y11 who became the Under-17 Javelin Middlesex County Champion at the weekend. All of this while also preparing for his GCSEs. We are so impressed and proud!



## Mensa Testing

We had several students take part in MENSA testing last week. We look forward to finding out their results - well done to all who took part!

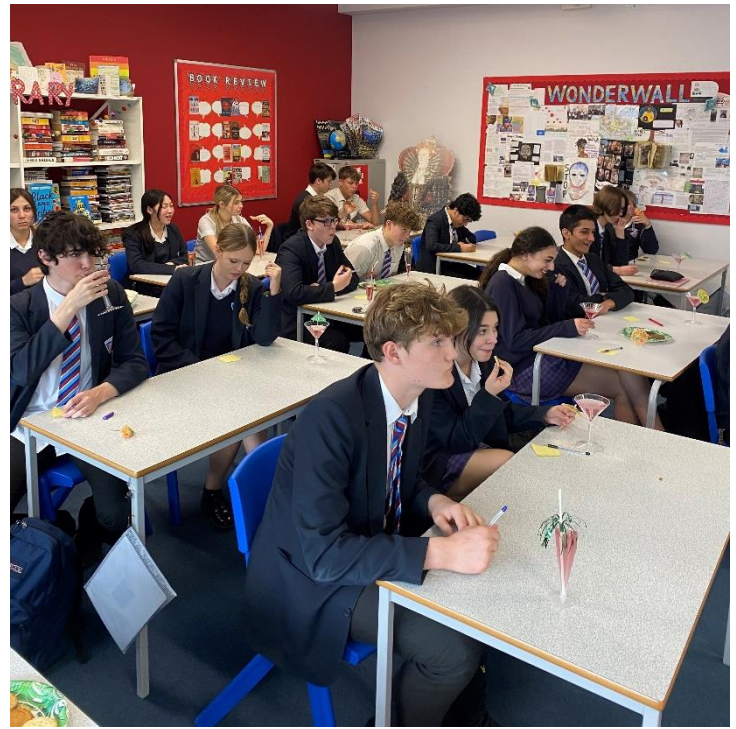
## Last Ever Tutor Time for Year 11

Last Friday Year 11 students had their last ever tutor time after five years! We wanted to say a massive thanks to their tutors - Mr Jacks, Ms Lewis, Mr Berrett, Ms MacDouall, Mr Sweeney and Ms Winstanley who have done an incredible job of looking after them.



## Year 11 History

As Year 11 had their last ever lessons on their normal timetable last week we made sure to celebrate them and praise them for all their hard work. Here 11A enjoy a historical quiz with a fancy (squash) flute!



## Year 11 Yearbook

If you thought GCSEs were the biggest challenge of Year 11 you'd be wrong: it's making the yearbook! The below Celebration Committee have been doing a brilliant job, but there's still work to be done! Please do send any photographs which we could include to Ms Riglin, thank you!



## Year 10 Geography Field Trip

On Friday, Year 10 geographers got up to their knees in fieldwork. Travelling to the River Tillingbourne in rural Surrey, students measured how the characteristics of the channel varied as you travel downstream. Tape measures, metre rulers, wellies and soggy sandwiches

in hand, the students gained valuable knowledge and understanding of geographical concepts in the real world. Though the weather was a little temperamental, Year 10 braved the elements to ensure they got the absolute most out of the day. A wholly successful trip with splashes to boot!



## Esher College Applications

### Information for applicants to Esher College in September 2024

Applications for Esher College open online for students on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023** and close at midday on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**. Applications meeting the guaranteed applicant status criteria will automatically be offered a place. Open applicant status applicants will enter a ballot system, the outcome of which will be announced from 3pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

For information on admissions please visit Esher College website [www.esher.ac.uk](http://www.esher.ac.uk) There will be **open evening on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023** between 4.30pm and 8pm for a chance to tour the college, visit departments and speak to teachers and students.

For further help and advice please contact the careers team at Turing to discuss future options.

## Cover Story Competition Winner

A huge congratulations to Ilyas S in Year 7 for his Cover Story Competition winning entry. His story was one of 10 winners chosen from over 800 entries, so we are incredibly proud of him. Here he is receiving his certificate and voucher. We would love to get more entries from our school next year, so watch this space!

## Student Sporting Success

Congratulations to Claudia L in Year 8 who completed her first triathlon over the weekend at the Crystal



Palace Triathlon in the Tri Star 3 category. Claudia was representing her Triathlon club, Thames Turbo, and did extremely well in this tough endurance sport. Well done, Claudia!

## Year 7/8 Boys Cricket v Grey Court

The Year 7/8 boys had their first league match of the cricket season last week against Grey Court. Opting to bowl first, the Turing team kept Grey Court to a low number of runs throughout most of their 15 overs, as the boys put on a fast-paced bowling masterclass. The opposing team, however, bowled just as strongly and did enough to take the win. Read on to find out how they got on in their next match against Richmond Park Academy. Well done to everyone involved!

## Year 7/8 Girls Rounders v RTS

The Year 7/8 girls were back on the rounders pitch with two games in two days. Both being played at home, their first one of the week was against Richmond upon Thames. With a few weeks wait for this match since their last, the Turing team have been practicing at rounders club on Wednesdays after school. Richmond upon Thames, however, proved to be a formidable force when it came to their turn to bat and THS were unable to chase down their run count on this occasion. Read on to find out how they got on against Twickenham. Well done to everyone involved!



## Year 7/8 Girls Rounders v Twickenham

The Year 7/8 girls took to the rounders pitch for the second time this week, a day after their previous fixture against RTS. This time they were facing Twickenham and were looking to bounce back after the defeat the day before. Enjoying another home game, the Turing team got off to a fantastic start as they scored a large number of runs when batting. They then topped off their performance with a solid defensive effort out field which was more than enough to secure a deserving win. Their next match is against Teddington. Well done to all involved!

**Year 9/10 Boys Cricket v RTS**

The Year 9/10 boys cricket team got their campaign off to a flying start against Richmond upon Thames at the start of this week. The visitors were first to bat, putting down over 80 runs for the Turing team to chase. Some confident THS batters stepped up when it was their turn to strike, knocking the ball over the boundary for six on some occasions. With four overs still to come, the Turing team had already surpassed the opposition's run score - a team effort that speaks for itself! Their next match is next week against Richmond Park Academy. Well done to everyone involved!

**Year 7/8 Cricket v Richmond Park Academy**

The Year 7/8 cricket team got stuck into their second fixture of a busy season, this time taking on Richmond Park Academy at home. The Turing team had opted to bowl first and managed to score 5 wickets in 15 overs due to yet more speedy bowling. However, the visitors also delivered an accurate bowling show of their own and halted the home side's chance of winning the batting battle. Their next match is against Christ's School next week. Well done to everyone involved!

**Project X – MMA sessions**



**PROJECT X**

Year 7 to aged 17

**Fridays**  
5pm to 6pm  
(Doors open at 4.45pm)

Twickenham Martial Arts College,  
30 Heath Road, Twickenham  
TW1 4BZ (above Nationwide)

Delivered by head coach and professional MMA athlete, Nathan Jones.

The sessions take place in a fully functional matted martial arts gym.

Sessions combine boxing, kickboxing, brazilian jiu jitsu, fitness and fun.

All abilities welcome.

**Contact:** [nathan.oates@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:nathan.oates@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

**Mixed martial arts (MMA) fitness**

**Girls U13&U15 Rugby League Sessions**



WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE SOUTH WINNERS 2022

London Broncos Ladies Host

**GIRLS**

**RUGBY LEAGUE**  
COACHING & DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

Start date: 17th May  
Every week for 8 weeks

Wednesdays - U13: 4-5pm U14: 5-6pm  
Thursdays - U15: 4-5pm U16: 5-6pm

HERITAGE



Richmond RFC

Contact: Ben Selway for Registration  
[ben\\_selway@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ben_selway@hotmail.co.uk) 07392 063844

**Youth Football Club**



HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH  
YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB



**PLAYERS WANTED**

Hampton & Richmond Borough Youth Under 14s  
(Year 9 Sept 2023)

Following one of the squad having a successful trial for a Football League Academy our current Under 13 Bucks now have an opportunity to invite new players to join the squad for the next season.

The team train locally on Tuesdays and play in the Conference Division of the Surrey Youth League. Training is run by FA Qualified Coaches.

If you are interested in joining then please contact manager George at [louandgeorge@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:louandgeorge@yahoo.co.uk)



**Brentford Football Club trials**

Brentford's next Post-16 education and football trial dates have been released. This will take place during the May half term.

The Post-16 programme is not just open to boys, we also have a girls' team (looking to increase to two teams).

For any students in Year 11 or above that are looking for this opportunity:

**Post-16 Boys Trials**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub - Popes Ln, London W3 8LQ

10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm

To Register:

<https://www.brentfordfcst.com/product/post-16-football-education-programme-boys-may-trials/>

**Post-16 Girls Trials**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Gunnersbury Park Sports Hub - Popes Ln, London W3 8LQ

1pm-3pm

To Register:

<https://www.brentfordfcst.com/product/post-16-football-education-programme-girls-june-trials/>