



HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



Message from Mr O'Sullivan

It was another busy week for students at Turing. Photography, Art and Spanish students have already taken part in their first examinations. This week our Drama and Biology students had their turn. Well done to all of Year 11 for making a really positive start. The art work in particular looked stunning.



relationships in order to make the next seven years a success. A huge thanks to the staff and students that supported the event.

Our INSET day on the Tuesday was incredibly productive with a focus on supporting our Year 10 students as they approach the final year of their GCSEs. We also examined various research papers on plagiarism, effective feedback, test anxiety, tone of voice and the impact on psychological development on students who are young in their year group.

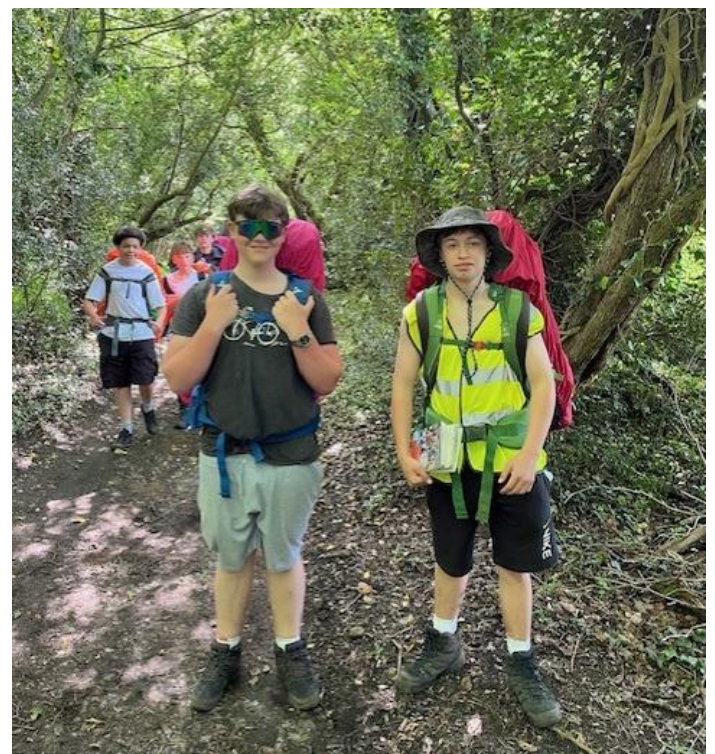
I was delighted on Thursday to receive an email from Patricia Taylor, who used to lead English across the Trust. She happened to be out walking and stumbled upon a group of "extremely polite and happy students who, to our amazement, said they were from Turing House.

They were a credit to the school and their families."

On Thursday we welcomed our future Year 7 students



into the building for our annual 'Meet the Teachers' event. The evening was a huge success as we welcomed the new cohort into the Turing family, and helped start to build





Wc 13th May – A Levels start. Good luck!



Year 9 D of E

This week the 70 participants in Year 9 successfully completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award qualifying expedition in Surrey. All students were given the chance to demonstrate the skills they learnt in the practice a few weeks ago. They were blessed with some beautiful sunshine, as you can see from the photographs below. And a big thank you to Mr Jacks, Ms Johnson, Ms Fan and Mr Hopkins for their support and for camping overnight with students on Thursday evening.





All photos by our budding young photographer, Toby R in Year 9.

Year 10 Master Chef

This Wednesday, 20 Year 10 students were given the opportunity to have an afternoon of fun, being involved in the Year 10 Master Chef afternoon. Those students who had an improvement in their behaviour points and students who are seen to be always doing the right thing were invited to take part. The aim was to make a country-themed dessert, in teams. Taste testing was done by the HoY Mr Evans, Mr Millar and the Year 10 tutors. There were some great creations, from a summer Pavlova to an erupting chocolate lava cake, to Cookie Brownie Bites, the tasters had their fill. But it was the Russian Apple cake that was the winner – well done Chase and Fedor!



Year 7 Spanish cuisine

Some of Miss Ramnarine's Year 7 Spanish students have been busy in the kitchen cooking Spanish dishes over the long weekend. Here are some examples of their brilliant work!

Here is a Pan con tomate. Es muy delicioso y lo cocinaré en el futuro. By Sahar S.



Amelia F cooked Spanish chicken with the help of Altea I and it was delicioso! And Amy G cooked up a huge paella.

Muchas gracias chicas y buen trabajo.



Holodomor Essay

Holodomor Essay Prize Competition - Y12/13

The Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain (AUGB), in partnership with the Nadia Diuk Memorial Programme is offering a prize worth up to £1000, for the best essay on the topic of the Holodomor of 1932 – 1933 in Ukraine - the famine in which an estimated 7 million Ukrainians died over a period of 18 months.

The Essay Prize Competition is particularly suitable for any students seeking:

- Extension for the study of Russian, European, or Ukrainian history or politics of the early – mid 20th century.
- Further understanding of historical concepts such as motivation, causation or revolution.
- Experience of historical sources and methods used by historians, to develop study skills and justify their own ideas about the past.
- Extension for Genocide studies.
- General intellectual stimulation regardless of area of study.

This Essay Prize Competition is open to Sixth Form students (Years 12 and 13) attending any school or college in the United Kingdom and studying any subject. Candidates are invited to submit an essay in English, of between 1500 and a maximum of 2000 words.

Prizes include:

1st prize: £1000 to be split equally between the candidate and their school or college.

2nd prize: £400 to be split equally between the candidate and their school or college.

3rd prize: £200 to be split equally between the candidate and their school or college.

This is the fifth Holodomor Essay Prize Competition, and winners last time included pupils from schools and colleges in Dartford, Loughborough and Reigate. More information on rules, an Essay Cover Sheet and printable poster/leaflet are available through this link: [2024 Holodomor Essay Prize \(augb.co.uk\)](https://augb.co.uk)

Direct enquiries or to submit your entry here essay.prize@augb.co.uk.

Deadline for submission of essay with downloadable Cover Sheet: **5pm on Friday 19th July 2024**, by email to essay.prize@augb.co.uk.

Winners and those highly commended will be informed by mid-September 2024 to allow inclusion in UCAS applications. The choice of approach is left to candidates, but they may wish to consider any of the following:

- A historiographic approach using an analysis of any primary documents, eyewitness accounts and what they reveal about the context of the Holodomor at the time
- A discussion of the repercussions of the different presentation of events surrounding the Holodomor by western journalists at the time
- An analysis of eyewitness accounts and how these have contributed to our understanding of the Holodomor

- A discussion of the key influences of the Holodomor on modern day events
- Any other approach

Other terms and conditions are available on the AUGB website. Essays should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document, along with the specified Essay Cover Sheet, downloadable from the website link. We encourage your students to take part in this unique essay prize opportunity!

Sports fixtures

Year 7 Boys Rugby v Christ's

The Year 7 boys travelled to Christ's School this week in a league final showdown with the winner taking home the borough title. These two teams had met earlier in the season with THS winning by just one try, so the opposition were out for revenge. This match played out in a similar fashion to last time - two tries each at half time, monumental tackles being made and line breaks at every opportunity. The Turing team managed to get ahead in the second half, but Christ's responded each time to level the scores. One last successful attack followed by a huge THS defensive effort to see out the match was enough for the boys to take the win as the match finished 5 tries to 4. Borough champions - what an amazing achievement! Well done to everyone involved!





Year 7-9 Girls Flag Football v Diami Molphins School

The Year 7-9 girls were back in action this week on the football field, taking on another school in their flag football league. The Turing team continued to display their high levels of enthusiasm they have for this emerging sport which was reflected in the strong performance they gave. Nothing seemed to stand in their way as they broke the gain line on multiple occasions, scoring 26 points while keeping a clean sheet the entire game - very impressive! They have now had two wins from two league games, so they'll be looking to build on this consistency. Well done to all involved!



London Broncos v St Helens - Free Tickets!

London Broncos Rugby League Club have kindly offered free adult and child tickets for their game against St Helens at the Twickenham Stoop on Sunday 16th June. If you would like free tickets to the match,

students need to give their name to Mr Berrett by Friday 24th May.

External Notices and Clubs

Sport Skills Programmes at Richmond Rugby

Open to everyone - both members and non-members

STARTS 06 MAY	Rugby Development Programme For ages 9 - 11 years 9-week course Mondays 6 - 7pm each week Take your rugby game to a new level! Accelerate both your technical rugby skills – catch/ pass, contact/ tackling, kicking – and your tactical game understanding in our off-season programme.	BOOK HERE
STARTS 06 MAY	Speed School For ages 12 - 16 years 9-week course Mondays 6 - 7pm each week Faster athletes win games! Learn the correct mechanics of acceleration, speed and change of direction for all team sports. Increased mobility, strength and movement control also reduces the likelihood of injuries.	BOOK HERE
STARTS 08 MAY	Ball Programme For ages 4 - 8 years 9-week course Wednesdays 6 - 7pm each week Have fun whilst developing your ball skills! In our multi-sport programme, children are exposed to a variety of new skills and games, developing better movement and ball skills whilst increasing confidence, teamwork and sportsmanship.	BOOK HERE
STARTS 08 MAY	Strength School For ages 12 - 16 years 9-week course Wednesdays 6 - 7pm each week Get stronger! Whether you're a beginner looking to build a solid strength foundation or an experienced athlete aiming for peak performance, our comprehensive Strength and Conditioning programme has everything you need to succeed!	BOOK HERE

Read more at bit.ly/richmondsummercamps

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STARTS 28 MAY	May Half-Term Multi-Sport Camp For ages 5 - 16 years 1 week Tuesday to Thursday 9am to 3pm Join us for three days of fun, games, and skill-building in a variety of sports! From football to basketball, tennis to cricket, there's something for everyone to enjoy.	BOOK HERE
STARTS 30 JUL	End of Summer Term Rugby Camp For ages 5 - 16 years 1 week Tuesday to Thursday 9am to 3pm As we head into the summer holidays, it's the perfect time to fine-tune those pre-season skills. We're putting a strong emphasis on work-ons and fundamentals because we believe they are the keys to success on the field. It's all about going back to basics to create unshakeable foundations for your game.	BOOK HERE
FROM 05 AUG	'Fun in the Sun' Multi-Sport Camp For ages 5 - 16 years over 4 weeks Tuesday to Thursday 9:30am to 2:30pm Whether you love football, basketball, or rugby, there's something for everyone at our camp. From friendly competitions to skill-building sessions, our experienced coaches are here to ensure you have a blast while improving your game.	BOOK HERE
STARTS 29 AUG	Pre-Season Rugby Camp For ages 5 - 16 years 1 week Thursday to Saturday 9am to 3pm It's all about starting the season with a bang! We'll be focusing on honing your skills and reinforcing basic fundamentals to ensure you're ready to dominate the field.	BOOK HERE

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