



Think Aloud

Our Debating club met for the first time with Gabby Thomas on Thursday to discuss the role of women in the media. The session was well attended with 13 students talking part. Next week the students will cover the topic 'Humans should be cloned.' Gabby was incredibly impressed by the session saying. *'They really embraced it all and were incredibly polite and all said thank you! A really super experience for me.'* Students were also similarly impressed simply saying that the session was 'cool'.

Reminders

Turing House Friends – Survey

- We would be very grateful to parents if you would complete the [THF questionnaire](#) on the VLE

Admissions Consultation

- Thank you to all those of you who have responded to our admissions consultation so far. If you haven't already done so we would like to have your views too. The consultation webpage remains open until January 27th. turinghouseschool.org.uk/consultation.php

Turing House Friends

Turing House Friends met on Monday 18th January at 7.30pm at the school. The group discussed various agenda items such as reviewing our recent 'Spirit of

Forthcoming Events

- 8 Feb:** Chinese New Year Activities
- 22 Feb:** *War Horse* Theatre Trip
- 24 Feb:** *Turing House Friends* social event for parents, 7.30pm, venue to be confirmed

Christmas' event. Thanks were given for the excellent work that has resulted in a Turing House library. The group then discussed fund raising ideas for the future.

On Wednesday 24th February they are organising another opportunity to meet up with other parents from Turing House: "a chance to meet, chatter, drink wine and help us plan a few more exciting events!"

Venue TBC. Time 7.30pm onwards.

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.'*

Appointments

Subscribers to our website mailing list will be aware that after Christmas we started the appointment process of additional staff for September. We have had a positive response to the adverts and we started interviewing this week. All candidates are required to teach lessons and our students have taken on the challenge of helping us with selection with enthusiasm and maturity.

Fixtures

- 25 Jan:** Girls' Hockey – at Radnor House
- 29 Jan:** Boys' Basketball – AWAY v Hampton Boys' School
- 2 Feb:** Boys' Basketball – AWAY v Twickenham Academy

Space to Earth

The *Space to Earth* was a fantastic success with students and staff easily reaching the target of 800km. In the end we had four bikes operating near the science room with some 80's music to keep our students and staff motivated.



Rider Number 1 (0-5km)



One of our last Riders

Special mentions need to be made for Joe Lazarides, George Hamblin, Freddie Martin and Max Ratcliffe who covered the most ground (and still going strong at time of going to print). Thanks too are due to Ms Wilkinson and Mr O'Sullivan who were in at 6.30am each day, and to Mr Day who rode 50km in one session and didn't look particularly well afterwards!

865km achieved by Wednesday and we were all delighted that Tim liked our Tweet!



Tim Peake liked your Tweet.

[View](#)

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 @astro_timpeake might be heading out for a walk but we are riding to meet him.
 @spacetoeearth #spacewalk @TriTrust



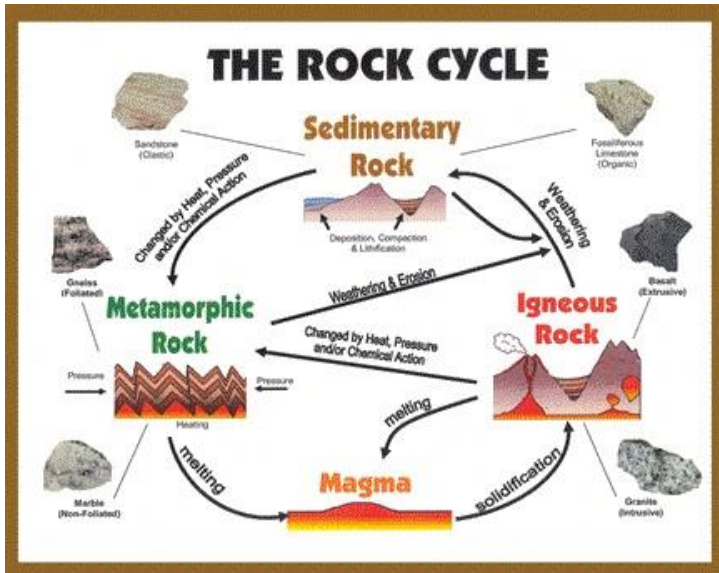
7.30am Fitness Club



Fitness Club started on Friday morning with 14 students and 2 members of staff. It was amazing to see so many turning up at such an early time. Well done to all who attended.

STEM Club

The school would like to thank our visitors from BP on Wednesday who gave the STEM club an interactive and fascinating talk on rock cycle, which was well attended by our keen Turing House scientists.



Gym Equipment

Due to the bad weather recently, PE lessons have taken place at Turing House School. The enthusiasm for this has been amazing with students requesting additional fitness sessions either before or after school. This was

then discussed at the Friends meeting. Therefore if you have been given or bought any gym equipment that you are not using and think might be useful in school, please let Mr Day know. We will format a wish list in the same way we did for the books at a later stage.

Mensa

Well done to all of you who got last week's answer which was 'badger' and 'barged'.

This week: Rearrange the letters of 'CAST SHOCK SOCIABLE CUTIE' to give three items people might give up for January.

Art Success

Over the past few weeks students have been working on stained glass windows. Students have been through various processes from the original design brief to the final product. They have also written an extended piece of writing covering research, design, scaling, making and an evaluation of the final product. Winners of each from were Joe Lazarides, Alley Herzalla, Will Whateley and Pagan Goddard.



Parent Survey

Thank you to all the parents who completed our survey form. We will survey you all again later in the year. The results were extremely positive and are reproduced opposite showing the percentage of the respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with each statement. I am grateful to those parents who gave more detailed feedback and I have responded to all of you who asked specific questions (if you included your name)!

If you do have feedback, questions or concerns then please don't wait until we do a survey but email or call the school.



The school helps me to support my child's learning	100%
My child is taught well at this school	100%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	96%
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	100%
The school is helping my child become mature and responsible	100%
The school makes appropriate provision for my child's spiritual, moral and cultural development	100%
My child makes good progress at Turing House	100%
My child is well looked after at this school	100%
The school makes sure its students are well behaved	100%
The school deals effectively with bullying	100%
The school is helping my child to develop a healthy lifestyle	98%
The school is making sure that my child is well prepared for the future	100%
The school is led and managed effectively	100%
The school takes account of my suggestions and concerns	95%
The school meets my child's particular needs	98%
The school works closely with parents	100%
The school provides a wide variety of activities/opportunities outside of lessons	100%