



Turing House

Headteacher's Update

1st July 2016

Staff Success

Last weekend Ms Wilkinson took part in the ETU European Aquathlon Championships in Châteauroux. In only her first proper year competing in aquathlons and triathlons Ms Wilkinson finished second in her category coming home with a well-earned silver medal. Now the hard training starts for the World Championships in Mexico in the autumn.



Race for life – next Friday

On Friday students at Turing House will be taking part in a Race for life event in Bushy Park. Students are expected to come to school in full Turing House PE kit. They can however wear race for life t-shirts if they have one. Please help this excellent cause by sponsoring your son/daughter by donating here:

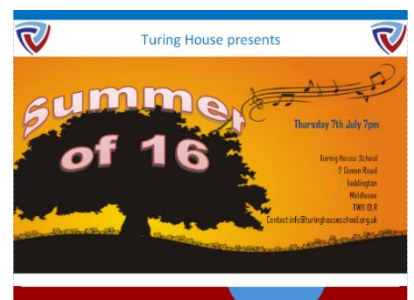
http://www.justgiving.com/turing-house-school?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=tweetfeed&utm_campaign=mypages

If you are sending students with cash on Friday please include a note saying how much you are sending.



Summer Concert

Our summer concert is taking place next week 7th July at 7pm. If any parents/carers would be willing to help out serving tea and coffee please contact the main office and let us know.



<https://turinghouseschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Forthcoming Events

- 4 July:** INSET day (Induction Day for new intake)
- 7 July:** Turing House Bake-Off
- 7 July:** Summer Concert, 7pm at school
- 8 July:** Race for Life

Fixtures

- 12 July:** Sports Day & BBQ Social at Teddington Rugby Club

Turing House at the Richmond Prom

Last Friday evening, Turing House musicians took part in the first borough wide Richmond Music Prom. They performed alongside 600 other musicians in a variety of pieces ranging from Star Wars to Up Town Funk to Romeo and Juliet by Prokofiev. No less than 3 conductors were required to co-ordinate the timing in the vast tennis arena producing a sound which was utterly mesmerising and awe inspiring. Rapturous applause followed each act which was absolutely deserved, we are all hoping that this will become an annual event.

Borough Golf – Turing Success

Many thanks to Hampton Boys and Fulwell Golf Course for organising and accommodating the annual Richmond Borough Gold competition on Tuesday. A highly successful day for Turing House, with our Year 7 main competition pairing of Albie B and Ethan H claiming 3rd overall. It was also great to see Mimi W and Eita S in the red tees competition, learning and enjoying the game for the first time over 9 holes. The main competition used the Stableford Scoring System Format. A special mention must go to Ethan H who accumulated the highest score of the day! (Including all players from Year 7 to 6th Form). Congratulations!

THS Staff: Favourite Olympic Moments

Mr Day - Gemma Gibbons beating French world champion Audrey Tcheumeo in the semi-final of the Judo (under 74kg category) at the London 2012 Olympics. Despite eventually losing the final and claiming the Silver Medal, watching her battle through each round was inspiring. The pinnacle of this being the tear-jerking moment after her semi-final win, when she dropped to her knees and whispered 'I love you mum' in tribute to her mother Jeanette, who died of leukaemia in 2004



Ms Monk - Nadia Comaneci - First Perfect 10 | Montreal 1976 Olympics

Ms Parsons - I think one of my favourite Olympic moments was when Steve Redgrave won his 4th gold rowing medal in Australia. I was only 13 at the time and my mum was going to let me stay up to watch it. Naturally I fell asleep but was woken by my mum screaming at the television cheering the coxless four on. I only missed a small part of the race and so was able to see them row to gold. I suppose the fact that my mum was so excited makes it a moment in life that I can clearly remember.

Ms Willoughby - Watching the all-round gymnastics final live at the O2 Arena in the London 2012 Olympics. A 16 year old American gymnast called Gabby Douglas put in the most incredible performance to win the Gold medal.

Ms Barnes - When Kelly Holmes didn't realise she'd won and when Nicola Adams won gold for GB as the first medal for Olympic boxing for women!

Ms Wilkinson - Farah's double-gold (London 2012)



Mr O'Sullivan – Coe 1984! Pictured here together.

Ms Sherry - About ten minutes into the incredible opening ceremony where we realised that we were actually going to put on a stunning event! I think we were all a little worried that London would never live up to Beijing, based on the little preview we got at the closing ceremony of the Beijing Olympics (Boris waving a Union Jack on a red London Bus!?). I also loved the way the Olympic flame was constructed and came together – absolutely stunning!

One member of staff simply responded with this image!



Tuesday 5th July

We are open as normal. Last day of exams and PE!

Maths, Spanish and English Exams. Catch up exam day Wednesday 6th July

Mensa Puzzle

Here is an unusual safe. Each of the buttons must be pressed once only in the correct order to reach the centre X and open the safe. The number of moves and direction to move is marked on each button.

4R	4D	1D	3D	3L
2D	1L	1D	1U	1L
2U	1U	X	1R	4L
4R	1U	1L	1U	2U
3R	3R	4U	1L	4L

Which button is the first you must press?

Last week's answer; Fish, gate, card

Sports Day

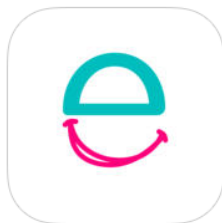
Sports day will take place on Tuesday 12th July at Teddington Rugby Club. All students will take part in one event each and there will also be an inter-form tug-of-war!

The club are putting on a barbecue (from 3pm) – cooked items will cost £3 and drinks and refreshments will also be on sale. We hope that many of you will join us from 2pm to watch the competition and to enjoy a social event afterwards. You are welcome to bring along other family members.

Easy fundraising

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/turinghousefriends

easyfundraising.org.uk is a great way to raise money for charities, schools, sports clubs, community groups, and other good causes just by shopping online. You don't pay anything extra. So far the site has raised over £9 million for causes throughout the UK. Sign up - it is easy money! £61.42 has already been raised by parent supporters to help the school! You can even download an app to make it easier.



Borough Athletics

On Wednesday 29th June, the Turing House athletics team competed in their first Borough athletics

competition at St Mary's University. The weather was not on our side but this did not dampen the spirits of all the students who competed. There was a great atmosphere with crowds cheering on all of the events and Turing House showed fantastic team spirit when supporting each other. All of the students tried their absolute hardest and there were some good individual results. A particular mention must go to those students who volunteered to compete in events that were relatively new to them, but were happy to take part for the experience. A great start which we will look to build on next year, well done to all involved!



Lidl Bananaman Triathlon

After our success last year the staff at Turing House are once again entering the Lidl Bananaman triathlon. Dorney Lake once again hosts the event covering a 800m swim, 31.8km ride and a 5km run. Last year we were thrilled to finish third from 64 teams. Excitingly we have two teams entered this year. We wish Mr Day, Ms Wilkinson, Mr O'Sullivan, Ms Parsons, Mrs Winch and Mr Harrop the very best of luck.



Friends of Turing House Support the Triathlon

As the staff are taking part in a triathlon on 9th July we thought it would be a great idea if parents and students support them. To sponsor our six athletic teachers, we would like to ask you to make a small (or large!) contribution. The money raised will go towards installing new gym equipment ready for the next term. A Paypal Donation link will be on the THF webpage soon:



<https://www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/thf.php>

Teddington Village Fair

Last Sunday Turing House Dancers were invited to perform as the opening act to the Teddington Village Fair to present two energetic ensemble numbers, and two student choreographed pieces. The dancers arrived early to warm up and rehearse, whilst our sound manager Antonia, professionally prepared the sound system for the presentation. The Events Manager of the Landmark Arts Centre commented on the professionalism of all our students' and how encouraging it was to see boys dancing.



This was the first time Turing House dancers got the opportunity to perform in front of a large community audience in an outdoor space; they all rose to the challenge and did exceptionally well! The event was a huge success, and we are very much looking forward to performing again next year.

Eco-Schools and Front of School

On Tuesday we had our first meeting with Mairi and Frances from Friends the River Crane who will be helping us design and plant out dinosaur garden on Hampton Road. A group of students and our two new science/Maths teachers listened to an incredibly informative presentation, explored the opportunities outside and then began planning what the garden might look like. This group will now form our Eco-Schools group who will work towards attaining this qualification for the school.

<http://www.eco-schools.org.uk/>



Turing House Bake-Off

Students have been invited to take part in the second Turing House Bake Off. Competition details are as follows:

- Cakes need to be handed in on the morning of Thursday 7th July.
- No nuts should be used in the making or decorating of cakes.
- Cakes should be named clearly, with additional information of student, tutor group, ingredients used and category entered.
- There are two categories for judging: Taste and Decoration.
- Students can enter 12 cupcakes or 1 cake into one of the categories.
- Students can enter both categories if they wish.
- Cakes will be sold at the summer concert to raise money for cancer research.
- The winners will be announced at the concert on Thursday 7th July.
- Cakes entered into the decoration category will not be taste tested.

