

CoderDojo @ Turing House



The first Turing House CoderDojo took place on Saturday afternoon, with 46 young people from Turing House and other local schools getting stuck into some creative coding. There were activities on offer for beginners, as well as more experienced coders.



The Arduino group were making battery testers, the Intermediate Python group was building a Wall Ball game, and our Scratch coders were creating everything from Rock Band animations to Beat the Goalie competitions.

Forthcoming Events

- 13th Nov:** Remembrance Day Parade in Teddington, 10am
- 20th Nov:** School Garden Work
- 24th Nov:** THF social for Y7 parents, Teddington Arms, 7.30pm
- 5th Dec:** A *Turing House Christmas Evening*, St Mary with St Alban's Church, Teddington, 7pm
- 16th Dec:** *Save the Children* Christmas Jumper Day



This was all made possible by an enthusiastic group of volunteers, including a number of Turing House parents. Special thanks goes to Year 8 student Mikey P who did a fantastic job volunteering as a Peer Mentor on Beginner Python.

There will be more of these events in future, so if you're interested in hearing more, please see <https://turinghousecoderdojo.wordpress.com/>



Thanks also go to Joskos Solutions, the school's ICT provider, who donated the Raspberry Pi Kit and provided technical and mentor support on the day.

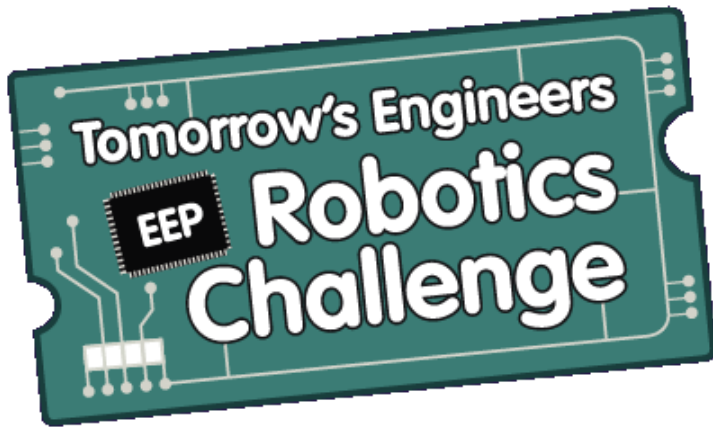


Fixtures

- 12th Nov (Sat):** Cross Country Cup (Boys), St Albans
- 14th Nov:** Girls' U13 Table Tennis Tournament at RP
- 18th Nov:** Boys' U13 Indoor Cricket Tournament at Grey Court
- 25th Nov:** Boys' & Girls' U13 Borough Cross Country



EEP Robotics Challenge



Over half term, students who wanted to be selected for the Turing House team entering this challenge created a piece of work on the future of robotics and space exploration. From some very strong entries our challenge team of 8 with 2 reserves was selected.

Congratulations to:

- Raisharni Kitson 7DV Sophie Forster 7GA
- Spike Moody 7DV Olly Shafique 7CU
- Maggie Male 7CU Jake Sanders 8EM
- Sam Hardaker 8WG Eita Shibazaki 8PA
- Pagan Goddard 8EM Maria van der Vegt 8WG

MENSA Puzzle

What number should replace the question mark in the grid?

5	3	9	1	8
2	1	8	5	3
1	3	7	3	4
4	2	8	2	6
3	2	9	?	5

Last Week's Answer: Star. Each triangle is worth 3, each rectangle is worth 7 and each star is worth 15.

Year 7 writing to Parliament

Year 7 students were encouraged to write to their local MP about the refugee crisis after studying Shaun Tan's 'The Arrival' in English. Many wrote beautiful letters, asking them to intervene and act for the benefit of those suffering as a result of the war in Syria.

Adam Watson wrote:

Dear Dr Tania Mathias MP,

I am writing to you because I think that more refugees (especially from Syria) should be allowed into the country because they are like every single one of us. They have a family and a home like every single one of us so why should we not let them into our country?

Most of them have fled their homes and been through a treacherous journey just to be safe in this country and for people to say 'NO' is heart-breaking for them setting them back to square 1. Poor children are leaving everything that they cared about (friends and relatives) to come to Europe and to be told that they're not allowed in is just horrible. The war in Syria at the moment is horrendous, with thousands of lives being lost of not just military soldiers but innocent civilians dying trying to escape the madness.

Many refugees travel across dangerous seas or walk for days in the war-filled battlegrounds to find a safe place to call home. You should welcome refugees into the country but check them with a security scan in case they are carrying weapons. Give them food for the first few days here and then they can get a job so they will have enough money to get a job and get a flat/house.

Hopefully you could consider my opinion,

Yours Sincerely, Adam Watson

In her reply to Adam Dr Tania Mathias wrote: "Your heartfelt letter helps me when I am challenging the Government to do more to help Syrian refugees". To Finn Worley-Brady she wrote: "I agree we cannot truly comprehend the conflict but we must do what we can to help them."

Easyfundraising for Turing House Friends

If you're starting your Christmas shopping and will be doing it online, please use this site to launch your visit to your usual sites. It doesn't cost you any extra but we get some funds as a result!

easyfundraising
.org.uk

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/turinghousefriends/

Christmas Jumper Day

On the last day of term, 16th December, students will be allowed to wear a Christmas jumper in return for contributing £1 to Save the Children. Students will be expected to wear their school uniform underneath the jumper and must maintain all other uniform standards, e.g. shoes.

Rugby Tournament Victory

On Friday 4th November, Turing House Boys' school rugby league team played in a tournament of all the teams in the borough. It was cold, wet and raining and for some of our players had only just been introduced to the style of rugby league. We had one of our hardest matches first (Teddington). We were precise in our attack and scored every time except one when we had the ball, allowing us to clinch the win. Then we played Twickenham Academy, who we beat along with Hampton Academy.

Finally it was time to face Grey Court School in the final. They were a good team and had experience playing rugby league before. We were pushed back to our try line immediately and they put the first try on the board. Refusing to back down, we surged towards the try line and moved the ball to the wing, just scoring the try before the end of the match. Due to Teddington drawing with Grey Court, we were the winners of the tournament. We will proceed to the London Tournament. We all played so well so, therefore it is impossible to pick a man of the match. *Finn W - Captain*

Spinning

Our spinning session at Fitness First this week was again very popular and successful. There are further sessions at 3.20pm on 16th and 21st of November with a final session on the 8th December. Places are still available at these – students should sign up on the lists outside Mr O'Sullivan's office.

School Christmas Card Competition

It's the most 
WONDERFUL
time to make
Christmas cards!

The school Christmas card competition is now open – we are looking forward to receiving the final entries on Monday.

Andy Vernon



We were delighted to be visited by British 10km Olympian Andy Vernon who spoke to our students in assembly about what it means to be an Olympic competitor, the dedication required and his journey from fun runner to international level athletics.

Beauty & the Beast Rehearsal Schedule

Wed	SH	WG	MO
16/11	Belle, Beast, all castle servants (Something there)	Chorus, Gaston, Lefou, Silly Girls (Gaston)	
23/11	Castle servants (Human again)		
30/11	Castle servants, Chorus (Human again)		
7/12	Gaston, Lefou	Zoe, Josie, Spike, Finn, Shreya, Eddie, Leah, Sadie, Scarlett, Shay, Nina, Ally, Ollie, Acalia, Silly Girls. (Belle)	
14/12	ALL Chorus, Silly Girls, Belle (Belle)		

Thu	SH	WG	MO
17/11	Gaston, Lefou	Mrs Potts	Silly Girls
24/11	Belle, Beast	Lumiere	Silly Girls
1/12	Belle, Beast	Lumiere	Gaston, Lefou
8/12	TBC	TBC	TBC
15/12	TBC	TBC	TBC

Year 8 Football A v Radnor House

On Monday the 7th of November, Turing House football A team met Radnor House A team at Teddington Lock sports ground. The game got underway and pretty much instantly we were 1-0 up, Max the scorer. A few minutes later we doubled our lead! From here on the game was very one sided with our goalkeeper Ben Saunders only touching the ball once.

Goals from Ollie, Paddy, George, Matthew, Billy, Charlie and a fantastic hat-trick from our Albie secured a 0-12 victory for the men in blue. As well as some great football from Albie, he also displayed some fantastic sportsmanship by joining the opposition when they were short; this made him worthy of the MOTM award.
Max R - Captain

Year 8 Football B v Radnor House

On Monday the 7th of November, the Y8 football B team came up against Radnor House in a B team friendly. We opened the game very strongly with Archie H scoring a volley from a corner. Soon after, Amaar scored a lovely

goal leaving the score 2-0. After a few more minutes Amaar scored another from a well taken corner by Ethan. The game was very one sided from then on, with Wilbur, Amaar, Oscar, Ethan and Archie getting 6 more. There was a spree of goals after this, starting with another one from Wilbur. The score ended as a very easy 10-0 for Turing House. MOTM goes to Joe L for great defending. *Ethan H – Captain*

Topsoil 20th November - REMINDER

We've now had 15 tonnes of topsoil delivered and Mr Jones and Miss Garrod would really appreciate some help putting it onto the garden!

Any parents who can help on Sunday 20th November from 10am will be welcomed with a hot drink and a friendly smile.

Please bring shovels, rakes and wheelbarrows. Miss Garrod is supervising our Eco warriors – other students and children are welcome if accompanied by parents.

Richmond Sing Off – Charity Fund Raiser

You are invited to come to the Richmond Sing Off – a celebration of local community choirs. Five choirs will be competing to be crowned the Best Community Choir in Richmond.

- When: Sat 19th November 7pm – 10.30pm
- Where: Clarendon Hall, York House
- Tickets: £10 per adults, £7 kids

Book now: https://richmond_sing_off.eventbrite.co.uk

A cash bar, sweets, snacks etc. available on the night.

All proceeds will go to Ruils <http://www.ruils.co.uk/> – a local charity supporting local families with children with disabilities, disabled adults and the elderly of our community who need support.