



Gardening Update

Thank you to everyone who came and helped us move the 15 tonnes of topsoil – what a great team you all are! We're looking forward to planting in the spring.



Global Social Leaders

On Monday we took five students to the Global Social Leaders launch at Wellington College. During the day there was a mixture of interactive workshops to develop the confidence, leadership and global understanding of the students. Following the GSL LaunchPad, participating students will create a 'school club' and one to two social action project(s) to put the theory they learn into practice. At our GSL Annual Conference, each school group will present the outcomes of their projects and their learning. We would now encourage students to join up to this initiative to support the 5 students that went. There will be a formal meeting shortly.



Forthcoming Events

5th Dec: *A Turing House Christmas Evening*, St Mary with St Alban's Church, Teddington, 7pm

16th Dec: *Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day*

16th Dec: Last day of term

Fixtures

30th Nov: Y7 & Y8 girls' and boys' Swimming Gala at Lady Eleanor Holles School, Hampton

1st Dec: Y8 girls' & boys' Indoor Athletics tournament at Waldegrave

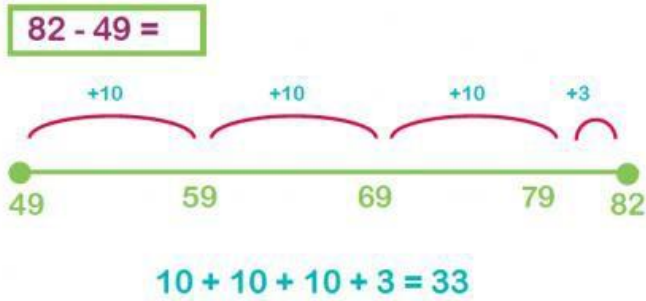
6th Dec: Y7 boys' 5 a side Football at Hampton High

6th Dec: Under 14 girls' basketball at Teddington

Consistent Mathematical Methods

Stages in Subtraction

- Using a number line to find the difference.



- The column method – an 'efficient' form of subtraction:

932 – 457 becomes

	8	12	1
	9	3	2
-	4	5	7
	4	7	5
	Answer: 475		

Students should use estimation to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a problem, levels of accuracy.

For example, in the first problem they should be able to estimate the answer as approximately $80 - 50$ i.e. 30. When they get 33 they can be re-assured they haven't made a major mistake. Similarly in the second example they should be able to estimate that the answer will be around 500 because it is 900 and a bit minus 400 and a bit.

Spain 2017 Payments

We would like to remind parents to pay (via Scopay) the second payment instalment that was due by **4th November** – many are still outstanding. Also, the third instalment will be due to be paid by **9th December**.

MENSA Puzzle

The alphabet is written here but some letters are missing. Arrange the missing letters to give a word. What is it?

CDFGHIJKMNPQRVWXYZ

Last Week's Answer: One. In each number on the left, the sum of the first two digits is divided by the third digit to give the number on the right.

Materialism and Mysticism – Tommy 7BA

This piece of work was recently produced in RP. We are sure you will all agree that the use of key terminology is amazing.

'My personal doxa is that the plagues of Egypt must be looked at empirically. My thoughts cannot properly process in my mind that a person can perform such miracles. My family and I appreciate metaphysics; we are sceptics and agnostics (we are not sure about god). So in conclusion I can neither prove the plagues right or wrong. However I believe that the plagues are not true, I cannot understand how Moses could have performed such miracles.

Well done Tommy

Table Tennis – South London Plate Winners



Road Safety

As the start and end of the school day become ever darker...



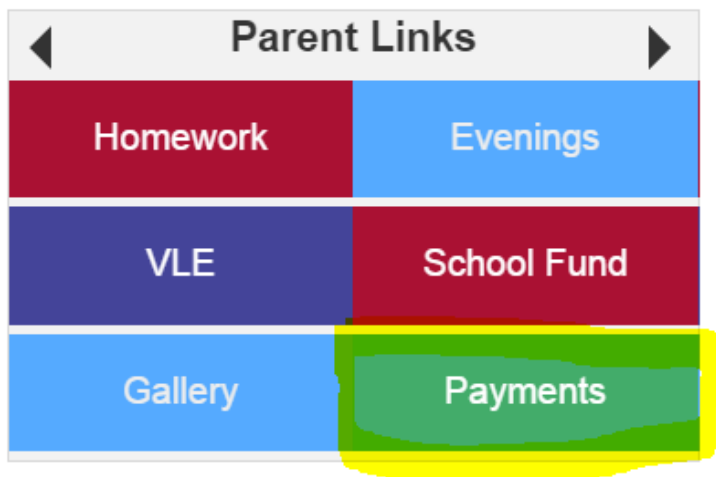
More Road Safety

If you are driving your children to school, please be careful about where you choose to drop off. It's tempting to get as close to school as possible but this may create real dangers for other road users, other children at school and indeed your own children.

Dinner Money

Please remember to top up dinner accounts before they run out. We have recently amended our procedures and systems in school so that if students have insufficient funds to buy food they can go "overdrawn" just once. Kitchen staff will tell them this has happened. After that however, they will not be allowed to purchase anything until the account is topped up.

Checking your balance is easy. Just use the quick link on our website and if you have saved your password you can see the balance straight away:



Trenches – Connor Claxton 7CU

Year 7 are currently studying 'Private Peaceful'. Some excellent pieces of writing have come from this unit and we are pleased to feature Connor's poem this week.

My face is charred with the ash of the fire
My shoulder stings from the recoil of the gun
Friends dead from bullets, bombs or shrapnel
Feet rot because of the blasted trench foot
The gun in my hand stalks the hiding enemy
One starts running, no-man's-land, he's my target
Adrenaline runs throughout my body, urging me
I look one more time at the enemy running
My magazine loses its bullets, shells hit the floor
In front of me is a blood soaked man falling
I grieve for the man
But this is war

Beauty & the Beast Rehearsal Schedule

Wed	SH	WG	MO
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
1/12	Belle, Beast	Lumiere	Gaston, Lefou
8/12	TBC	TBC	TBC
15/12	TBC	TBC	TBC

Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony

During the evening of the 21st, we attended our first ever Jack Petchey awards ceremony. This hugely motivational event recognised our award winners and those successful across Kingston and Richmond Boroughs. Musical performances interspersed the award winners from all of our local schools. Well done again to Jacob, Mimi, Harry and Chris St John Smith for being our first ever winners.



A Turing House Christmas

A reminder to everyone that our Christmas show will take place on the 5th December at St Mary's with St Albans church in Teddington. This event (focusing on the Christmas day football match during WWI) was very successful last year and incredibly well attended. The THF will be on hand to provide refreshments. More information will follow in next week's edition.



Admissions Consultation

We are consulting again about our admissions policy, this time for September 2018. The only change we are proposing is to clarify and tighten up the criterion for children of staff.

Following last year's consultation, we committed to consulting again on our distance criteria once our site became confirmed and we had more information about admissions patterns. Whilst the permanent site is still not finalised, our September 2016 intake has provided more admissions data, confirming that we are providing places in the area of the borough we were set up to serve.

For September 2016, with 100% of our 125 intake being taken from the admissions point, all but one applicant from Richmond Borough who wanted a place got one. From 2017 20% of places will be allocated by distance from our permanent site in Hospital Bridge Road so we expect that residents in Whitton and Heathfield will be fully served – especially when our intake rises to 150. We are therefore proposing to keep the same 80:20 split for 2018.

Do you agree? Have your say on our website: www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/consultation.php