



# Turing House

# Headteacher's Update

10th February 2017

## Y7 Parents' Evening – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Bookings will be available to book online during the first week after half term.

## Turing House Friends' Update

**Second Hand Uniform** - Please drop outgrown uniform off at school so we can start to stock the 2nd hand uniform shop; if we get enough items, we will open for business next month.

## Coder Dojo

On February 4<sup>th</sup> we welcomed 52 children, including 14 from Turing House, to our second community Coder Dojo event. This time, as well as Scratch, Python and Raspberry Pi, we added a Web Development activity, with participants creating their very own website for a fictional zoo. Thank you to everyone who helped to make the afternoon so successful. Our next event will be in the Summer Term, so please join our CoderDojo Mailing List if you would like to hear when tickets are available.



## Spanish Trip Update

The Parent meeting for this trip will take place on the **23<sup>rd</sup> March at 6pm**. Presentation notes and handouts will be posted on our website.



## THF Comedy Night

Turing House and Bearcat Comedy Club present

### COMEDY NIGHT FUNDRAISER

**Fri MARCH 24th**  
7pm – 10.30pm

Regular headliners of The Comedy Store, Jongleurs, BBC TV and the UK touring circuit come together for one night only

**FEATURING**  
John Mann as compere  
Paul Thorne  
Pete Firman  
The Raymond and Mr Timpkins Revue

**TICKETS £15**  
includes a free glass of wine or soft drink  
[turinghouseschool.org.uk/thf.php](http://turinghouseschool.org.uk/thf.php)

Well stocked bar and light refreshments available

**ELLERAY HALL**  
Elleray Rd, Toddington TW11 0HG

Disclaimer: This is an over 18's only show and may contain adult humour

## Forthcoming Events

- 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Half Term
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> March:** Y7 parents' subject consultation meetings
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Parents' info meeting re Y7 Bushcraft trip, 7pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Parents' info meeting re Y8 Spain trip, 6pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> March:** THF Comedy Night

## Fixtures

- 21<sup>st</sup> Feb:** Y7 & Y8 Girls' Netball AWAY v Twickenham Academy
- 21<sup>st</sup> Feb:** Y7 Boys' Football HOME v Teddington
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb:** U13 Girls' Rugby Union Tournament at Twickenham Academy
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb:** Y7 Boys' London Youth Games in Carshalton
- 27<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Y8 Girls' Netball AWAY v St Catharine's

## Staff

As you may be aware, we have begun the recruitment process of staff for the next academic year. We are pleased to announce that we have already appointed the followings positions...

- Maths – Ms Nicholl
- English – Ms Kirwan
- Humanities – Ms Riglin
- Science – Mr Hatzidakis
- Technology – Mrs Jones

## Votes for Schools

The following students have agreed to provide a write up each week's 'vote for schools' debate topic: Will W, Joe W, Aleazah R, Dan W, Lauren L, & Joe L. The topic this week is ***Do we treat strangers differently online than in real life?*** which ties in nicely to E-Safety Day. This week, Will in 8WO gives his views on the weekly topic.

'I believe that we do treat strangers differently online because: one, you can't see their face, and two all you really know about them is what they say or show about themselves. If you saw a man walking down the street with an old hoodie pulled over his head, baggy tracksuits, smoking and looking like he was trying to hide something would you talk to him? Whereas online that guy doesn't need a hoodie to hide who he is, for all you know he could own a studio flat in the middle of New York, or he could be a ground breaking brain surgeon, you don't know. Have you ever shared a photo or video with someone you don't know? Have you ever met up with a stranger online? Have you ever given away personal details to anyone online that you don't know or do you just have them on your bio? Have you ever posted anything on social media that you regret posting? I am positive you have done one or more of those things; if you're doing one of those things, stop now. Don't treat the guy online differently to the guy on the street; treat him the same.' **Will W**

## Beauty and the Beast

Please remember to attend to rehearsal on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February if Ms Sherry has asked you to attend.

## MENSA Puzzle

From a group of office workers three times as many play football as play rugby. Four more people play golf than rugby and three less people play tennis than golf. Four people play tennis, how many play each of the other sports?

**Last Week's Answer:** 36571. Multiply the two previous numbers and add one.

## National E-Safety Day

This week saw assemblies focused on aspects of E-Safety. This is part of the National drive of E-Safety Day. The focus this year was on the sharing of images. Students were informed about their Electronic footprint and had time to reflect on the following questions when posting images online.

1. Who saw this post at the time and who could see it now?
2. Would everyone understand the image or could it be misleading?
3. If it was about someone, would you have said it to their face?
4. If your post went viral would you be happy?
5. Are you happy for this to be part of your digital footprint?

If you thought the answer to any of these was 'no' or 'I'm not sure', think before you post!

## MENSA

Congratulations to the 16 students that passed the MENSA test and who are now eligible to join this prestigious organisation. Commiserations to those that

did not succeed, however they will all have the opportunity to try again next year if they so wish.

The successful candidates were: Lauren L, Raissa D, Tom D, Josi G, Charlie K, Kai S, Finn, WB, William W, Eve W, Olly S, Danny B Jay G, Max R, Avin M, Zach N and Ralph W.



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| 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                           | 100% |
| 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 | 98%  |
| I would recommend Turing House to other parents                                   | 100% |

Y8 Parent Survey

Thank you to all the Y8 parents who completed our survey form at parents' evening. The results were again extremely positive and are reproduced below, showing the percentage of the respondents who agreed or strongly agreed with each statement. If you do have feedback, questions or concerns, then please don't wait until we do a survey but email or call the school.

Request for Magazines

If you have old magazines at home that are ready for recycling, please bring them into school – especially fashion magazines/National Geographic, gardening, travel etc., that can be used during Design Technology lessons. Please hand in at the office or to Ms Parsons.

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017



Sainsbury's  
**Active Kids**  
 Eat well • Move well • Live well

Please collect vouchers from Sainsbury's stores and online shopping **from now until June** and bring into school.

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| 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                                            | 100% |
| I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress                        | 98%  |
| 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                                   | 100% |

