

# Headteacher's Update

24th February 2017

# Y7 Parents' Evening – 1st & 2nd March

Most of you have already booked appointments for this online. For those who haven't, please make sure that you book as soon as possible.

## India

On Tuesday, Joe in 8EM delivered an outstanding assembly to his peers on his recent trip to India. Joe was clear that this was a life-changing trip and made him reflect more about how lucky he was with all the luxuries that surround people in the majority of the developed world. His peers were incredibly impressed by his confidence in public speaking at such a young age. Well done, Joe.



# 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.

# Dong

The school is now with a cheaper electricity supplier called Dong (they're Danish). It's a 100% renewable tariff. DONG Energy is a world leader in offshore wind and the UK is the biggest market for our investment going forwards.

Offshore wind is a central part of the future British energy mix because the UK has an excellent wind resource and is a proven technology that will offer long term energy security to the UK.

Dong believe offshore wind is a good investment opportunity in the UK. We have also set ourselves the target of reducing the cost of offshore wind by 35 - 40% by 2020.



# Forthcoming Events

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

24th March: THF Comedy Night

19th and 20th April: School Production - Beauty and the Beast

#### Fixtures

**28<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Y7 Girls' Netball AWAY v Richmond Park Academy **28<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Y8 Girls' Netball AWAY v Richmond Park Academy

28<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y8 Boys' Football HOME v Teddington

2<sup>nd</sup> March: Y7 Girls' Netball Tournament at Waldegrave

## **Conedy Night Reminder**



#### **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, Aleezah R, Daniel W, Lauren L, & Joe L. The topic this week is *Do we need more female scientists and engineers?* This week, Daniel in 8WO gives his views on the weekly topic.

'I don't believe that we need more female scientists and engineers; although, I also don't think that we need more male scientists and engineers. I believe that only the person on the inside should be hired for a job, no matter their gender. Although, in today's world many people believe that the gender divide in the workplace should be evened out, giving women better opportunities and equal pay. Contradictory to what many people believe in, I think that as a society we are not obligated to give that perfect fifty percent to each

gender; to reiterate my point, I think that the personality of a person should be hired for a job; if that person is a male or a female it should not affect it. The word 'need' is the wrong choice; 'need' implies that more female scientists and engineers are required, instead the decision should dependent on the intelligence and problem solving capabilities of the applicant. Although, news is reporting that an increase of female workers is needed; these large corporations are planting the idea that it is harder, if not impossible, for females to get certain jobs. This is untrue as it is the inside of a person that should be hired for any job.' **Daniel W** 



# Beauty and the Beast

There will be an all-cast rehearsal on **13**<sup>th</sup> **April**, which is during the Easter holidays.

The actual performances will take place at The Mall School, Twickenham on **19**<sup>th</sup> **and 20**<sup>th</sup> **April**. Further details to follow in due course.

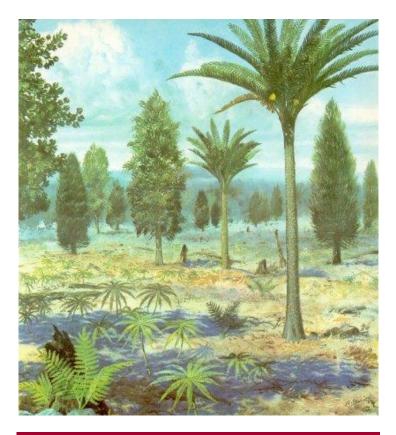
#### MENSA Puzzle

Two cars set off from the same point to travel the same journey. The first car has a start of 10 minutes before the second car sets off. If the first car travels at 60 km/h and the second car travels at 100 km/h, how many kilometres from the starting point will they draw level?

Last Week's Answer: Football – 9, rugby – 3 and golf – 7

#### Tesco

We are delighted to announce that all of your spending at Tesco has resulted in Turing House being awarded the sum of £2000 to develop our Jurassic garden! Mr Jones and Ms Garrod are delighted with the outcome and will now being planning for a planting day one weekend.

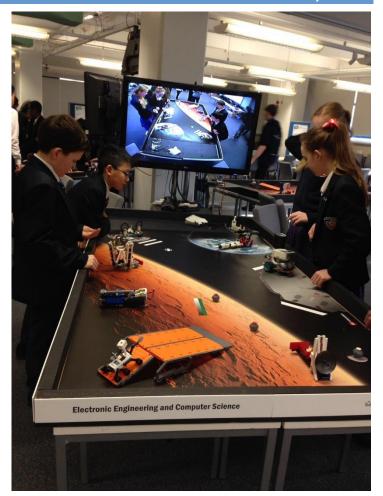


## Autumn term dates 2017

The autumn term dates for 2017/18 have now been updated on the website to include INSET days. **Year 8** and 9 will return to start the new school year on **7**<sup>th</sup> **September 2017**. There will also be an INSET day on **30**<sup>th</sup> **October 2017**.

### EEP

At the time of going to press our intrepid band of engineers head off to the EEP Robotics challenge competition. We wish them the very best and hope we have positive things to report next week. Below is a photo of the challenge in action.





# 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.

#### Netball



We came back as winners from Twickenham Academy. We won 13-6. We played amazingly, particularly as this is only our first league game. Our player of the match was GD – Leah K. We played 4 quarters of 6 minute matches. Our players persevered through the whole game and we were only getting better and better as the match went on. We are aware that there are going to be some tough losses and wins, but our team is prepared and we are ready to put up a fight. **Missy D** 

# Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017





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

# Labelling Uniform and Equipment

Please would you ensure that **all** of your child's items of uniform (including PE kit) are named. When items of lost property are found it is extremely difficult to reunite them with their owners if they are not named!

#### **Y8 Spanish Trip Payments**

The final Spanish trip instalment of £50 is due on **3<sup>rd</sup> March**. Please check your account to pay this instalment and any other amounts that are outstanding. Thank you.

# Indoor Athletics



On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February, the Year 7 boys' athletics team (Jack H, Kit H, Joseph B, Jay G, Louis M, Finn W, Tom P and Rourke F) travelled to Carshalton to compete in the London Youth Games qualifiers. We competed in events such as relays, field events as well as sprint and long distance races. It was a great experience to compete against other talented athletes. Overall we came 8<sup>th</sup> against very good athletes. Well done to all who took part. *Jack H* 

