



Beauty and the Beast

What a success! We feel that all we wanted to say was best represented by the views from a founding parent, and Karen Lynch, CEO of the Russell Education Trust:



Huge congratulations to the cast and crew of Beauty and the Beast.

I was so impressed by the focus, covering mistakes and maintaining momentum, projection and enunciation,

pacing, 'on it' scene and costumes changes, lighting that created an effect without you noticing it was there, controlled choreography of fights and mob, and freezes held until the cue: impressive commitment to quality alongside real talent. That there were no staff back stage to maintain focus when adrenalin is running so high is astonishing.

I was equally impressed that every child who we complimented as we left was gracious and polite in accepting the praise, interrupting their evident shared excitement to say 'thank you', and professional standards were maintained right to the end with those on the door wishing



preoccupied parents good evening and thanking us for coming / hoping we'd enjoyed it.

It is a real triumph to have achieved that level of consistent high standards in all aspects of delivery, sustained dedication from everyone involved, as well as giving students the opportunity to experience evident pride in hard work, and pleasure in achieving what at times probably seemed overly ambitious (the stress bubble was worth it)



.....as well as providing an excellent evening's entertainment!

I hope you enjoy a restful weekend

Tonight's production of Beauty and the Beast was fantastic. I loved every minute of it! There were so many truly accomplished individual performances as well as beautiful ensemble and chorus pieces too. Singing, dancing and acting of that quality in such young teenagers is truly remarkable and needs hours of



patient teacher work and inspiration. But most of all your students showed such trust and respect for one another on the stage; and it made a huge difference to the quality of the

production.

Forthcoming Events

- 4th May:** Y7 trip to the Science Museum
- 5th – 7th May:** Y7 Bushcraft trip
- 8th May:** Turing House Friends' Meeting, 7pm ?? in school
- 26th May:** INSET day
- 29th May – 2nd June:** Half Term
- 30th May – 2nd June:** Y8 Trip to Spain

Fixtures

- 25th April:** Y8 Boys' Football HOME v Hampton High
- 26th April:** Y7/8 mixed Hockey Tournament at Waldegrave

I spoke to lots of parents during the evening and they were all talking about how much their children have loved being a part of this musical – and what a special school Turing House is. It was a pleasure to talk to them and hear how delighted they are with the school

Many congratulations on a stunning production.

Black Shoes

Please be aware that we have reminded several students about wearing the correct footwear to school. Please ensure that your son or daughter meets the expectations of the school uniform and is not wearing black trainers.

Traditional flat, black sensible leather shoes. Lace up shoes preferable to Velcro, and lace up shoes must have black laces. No trainers or boots. No sandals, kitten heels, platform shoes or ballet pumps

As always, thank you for your support in this matter.

Cycle Helmets

Please be aware that a number of our Year 7 students are riding to and from school without cycle helmets. Whilst we are aware that this is not yet a requirement on our roads, it is a school requirement. The cyclist in the above photo was wearing the helmet – and therefore survived!



London Youth Games

The trials to represent Team Richmond in the **Cycling** squad at the 2017 London Youth Games have now been confirmed. If you haven't already done so and you wish to try out, then please complete the online application form available from www.richmond.gov.uk/londonyouthgames. To be considered for the squad, you must take part in one or more of the following trials-

- Sunday 30 April 9-10am @ Kempton Park
- Sunday 7 May 9-10am @ Kempton Park
- Sunday 21 May 9-10am @ Kempton Park

If you are selected for the squad, the competition will take place on Saturday 24 June 2017 at Lee Valley Velopark, E20 3AB.



MENSA Puzzle

What number should appear next in this sequence?

1 3 4 13 53 690 ?

Last Week's Answer: 24. Each black circle is worth 10, each grey circle is worth 8 and each white circle is worth 3

Jurassic Garden Planting



Many thanks to the support from parents and pupils; we had a productive day planting the garden on 1st April. It is looking fantastic!

Mr Jones has been working hard to keep the garden watered, as the plants begin to flourish. Hopefully in a few weeks the garden will really start to take shape as the new summer growth happens.



Kingston Family Fun Day

Kingston Council is celebrating the completion of improvement works to Portsmouth Road and Queen's Promenade as part of the Go Cycle scheme with a family fun day on **Saturday 22 April, 10.30am-2.30pm**, next to Riverside Cafe, Portsmouth Road.

The day will include activities such as face painting, a bike market and penny farthing displays to celebrate the rich history of cycling in our borough. There will also be guided bike rides with our Go Cycle trainers, so bring your bikes and don't forget a bike lock.

Come and join the family fun!

https://www.kingston.gov.uk/info/200382/go_programme/1266/portsmouth_road/5

Dressage Success



During the Easter break, Year 8 student Harry W took part in his second dressage event (with equine partner Rusty) at Angel Farm. He received a special award for the obstacle course and a 'well tried' award for his dressage skills.

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.

Royal Institution Summer School 2017



Join in the fun at the RI this July and August for their exciting Summer Schools Programme. RI Summer Schools are a brilliant way to get hands-on with all areas of science, mathematics, engineering and computer science – all led by experts in their field!

Places are limited so make sure you book in advance. Become an RI Young Member to receive a 15% discount on all RI Summer Schools bookings!

Further details can be found online at:

<http://www.rigb.org/families/summer-schools-2017>

Comic Relief Raffle Prizes Thanks

Thank you to the local businesses (Nandos, The Works, Waterstones, Ribs and Burgers and Feltham Cineworld) for donating prizes for this event that was held before Easter. Thank you also to the Harrisons catering staff at Turing House who individually donated various prizes.

London Dynamo Sparks

London Dynamo Sparks & Juniors are having a Race Day on the 6th May and all riders are welcome (please see flyer attached).

Sparks is part of the London Dynamo cycling club and is open to all young riders aged from 8-14. The Juniors section is for our riders aged from 14-18. Both Sparks & Juniors form part of British Cycling's development programme for young people and is run by British

Cycling Level 2 coaches. The club offers all riders a range of different rides from Cyclocross to Track Racing and Time Trialling to Trail Riding.



London Dynamo Sparks & Juniors Race Day
At: Ham Fields, TW10 7RU
Registration: 9.30am Cost: £3.00
Races Start: 10.00am
Age categories: U16, U14, U12, U10 & U8
All riders welcome. Suitable for all abilities.
Enquiries to: londondynamosparks@gmail.com



Bush craft

Just a general reminder to gather the kit on the list to ensure that all the required kit is to hand. If there are any issues, please contact the school.

Beach Volleyball!!!!

Mr Woodward took several of our students to a volleyball taster at Teddington Rec. Students, as always, were excellent and got an opportunity to use some of the facilities used in the London 2012 Olympics and get advice from an England coach!

