

28th September 2018

Genocide Awareness Day



Fifteen Year 9s took part in a Genocide Awareness Day this Wednesday. The hardworking history students heard the testimony of survivors from the Holocaust, Bosnian Genocide and Rwandan Genocide, before reflecting on what they had learnt in workshops including poetry, journalism, animation and art.



Reports, artwork, poetry and videos created by the students will follow.

Thank you very much to Hampton School for inviting us to this informative event.

Year 10 College Placement

Year 10s have made an excellent start to their course at Richmond upon Thames College; here's a few photos of them hard at work!



Forthcoming Events

22nd-26th October – Half Term Week

29th October – INSET day

5th December – Christmas Craft Fair

Fixtures

01 Oct, 2018	Y9	Rugby Union	Christ's School
02 Oct, 2018	Y7	Rugby Union	Teddington
03 Oct, 2018	U15	Netball	Waldegrave
03 Oct, 2018	Y8	Rugby Union	Teddington

MENSA Puzzle

Rearrange the letters of 'HEDERA' to give two other six-letter words.

What are they?

Last weeks answer: Downpour, frown and Tinseltown

Turing House Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students for taking part in the Summer Reading Competition:

Finn Worley Brady

Tom Delaney

Fatima Khemache

Luke Lawrence

Amber Dhillon

Chris Johnson

Stanley Masters

These students challenged themselves to read books from the list of recommendations. This selection included classic works of literature such as: Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express*, Arthur Conan Doyle's *Sherlock Holmes* stories and George Orwell's *1984*.

Tom Delaney (9AN) commented that he is "pleased that it encouraged him to read *Day of the Triffids* by John Wyndham (published 1951) – it has lots of action and excitement".

The overall winner of the competition, as the student who read the most recommended books, was announced as Fatima Khemache in this week's assembly. However, all the students should be very proud of reading from a range of genres and eras of literature. Well done!

Congratulations!

Poppy Brown in Year 8 received her gold & silver award from the British Art Awards this weekend.

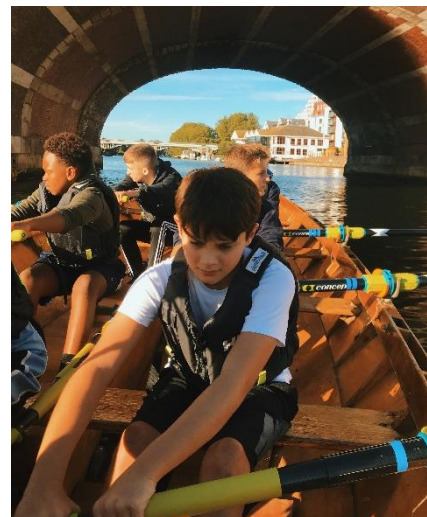
Over the last year, she took part in the regional dance competition, competing against other dance schools and was awarded Gold for her modern and Silver for her tap. Poppy dances with the Jean Inward School of Dance.



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On Monday evening, we took some Year 9s out on the River Thames.

Excellent teamwork from them all!



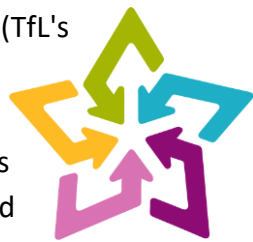


Year 8 Language Assembly!



TfL STARS 2018 Top School shortlist

We are very proud to announce that we have been selected for an award by STARS (TfL's STARS accreditation scheme inspires young Londoners to think differently about travel and its impact on their health, wellbeing and the environment).



We have been invited to a special accreditation seminar and awards ceremony at City Hall on 5th December.

Well done to Miss Turner and all the students who took part in this!

European Day of Languages

7HA celebrating European Day of Languages!



Year 7 Science

Last week in science, Year 7 students investigated the effect of temperature on diffusion. They successfully completed their investigation and concluded that the higher the temperature, the faster the diffusion will happen!

Would you like to know why this happens? Then all you have to do is ask any of our Year 7 students and they will explain it to you!





E-safety - Child safety on Fortnite: parent factsheet

Fortnite is an online video game where players compete to be the last person standing in a post-apocalyptic world. Players shoot each other using a range of lethal weapons, but the brightly-coloured, cartoon-style graphics and lack of bloodshed mean it doesn't feel too gory or graphic.

What are the concerns?

- **Communication between players:** a chat function allows players to talk to each other over either a headset and microphone, or using messaging. Children could use it to speak to strangers, or it could put them at risk of cyberbullying
- **In-app purchases:** players can build up large bills on their parents' accounts by buying cosmetic items like

outfits for your character and better-looking weapons (otherwise known as 'skins').

- **Addictive nature of the game:** anecdotal stories tell of children staying up all night to play, or falling asleep in lessons after playing for too long.

Use the parental controls on the gaming device: Most devices allow you to **set time limits** on game play, **set age limits** for content, and **restrict in-app purchases**.

Visit the website 'ask about games' for links to detailed instructions on the device your child uses.

The battles in Fortnite last around 20 minutes. When trying to limit your child's screen time, make the most of this natural stopping point. Set a limit in terms of matches rather than hours and minutes, or set time limits in 20 minute increments.

Turn off the voice chat feature

Speak to your child to make sure they know this feature exists, and encourage them to use the options below if they encounter someone who is offensive or inappropriate.

You can disable the voice chat function in the game.

You can also 'mute' individual players in the game by:

- Pausing the game
- Hovering over the player you wish to mute
- Selecting the mute button (a loudspeaker icon)

Make sure your child knows how to report inappropriate behaviour

You or your child can report players who make them uncomfortable using the in-game feedback tool (located in the main menu).

You can also use the 'support' section of the Epic Games site (the makers of Fortnite).

What else can I do?

- Download and play the game to help you understand it.
- Talk to your child about what they're doing online, and make sure they know they can talk to you about anything that has upset them.
- Check your bank statements and gaming system account balance regularly to look for in-app purchases you're not happy with, and to make sure your child isn't getting around any passwords you've set up.
- The NSPCC has also teamed up with O2 to offer advice to parents. You can call their free helpline on 0808 800 5002, or make an appointment with an O2 Guru in an O2store.

