



Duke of Edinburgh

Some of our Year 11 leavers completed their Bronze DofE Expedition successfully in the Surrey Hills at the weekend. It was a very hot few days and the teams showed great resilience and determination, particularly on the way up Box Hill!

They did their expedition after working hard on the other three sections for the Award. The four sections that make up the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award are: physical activity, a skill, volunteering and the expedition.



Dates for your Diary

- 5th July – INSET
- 13th July 2021 – Immunisations – Year 8 – HPV
- 16th July – End of Term

Helpful Reminders

[E-Safety](#)

[Relationships and Sex Education](#)

[Careers](#)

Drowning Prevention

With the hot climate and our proximity to the river, it is important that families discuss water safety. Drowning Prevention Week (DPW) aims to equip everybody across the UK and Ireland with the skills and knowledge to make the right decisions about water safety.

Swimming isn't just a critical lifesaving skill, it's a skill that opens up a lifetime of fun and adventure in and on the water and throughout 2020 and 2021, cohorts of young people have missed out on the opportunity to swim, leaving a dramatic gap in school swimming and water safety education.

The UK's beautiful waterways should be places where everyone feels at ease, and can take pleasure from their surroundings, whatever their age, whatever their activity level.

It's free and easy to get involved in DPW – find out how you can get involved by clicking [here](#), and give our children the skills to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water.



RMT Music BandIt

Applications are now available for the Richmond Music Trust Music BandIt ensembles and courses.

BandIt gives participants the chance to experience what it's like to be in a band. Planned and delivered by a dedicated team who between them have a staggering

amount of experience in teaching, recording and performance, we aim to squeeze the best out of every single participant.

"It's amazing to watch the students' confidence grow; I can never quite believe the magic the tutors create with them in such a short space of time."

The aim of BandIt is to achieve something incredible. Participants arrive as individuals and within an hour or so we get them working with the tutors in groups that are so supportive and overwhelmingly positive that any doubts or hang-ups about ability or fitting in are forgotten. It's simple; we are all there with the same aim – to play music together.

"BandIt is one of the best things my daughter has ever done in terms of her enthusiasm, growth in confidence and sheer pleasure."



Athletics Success

Kaiden Gr in Year 9 competed in the Middlesex Schools County Championship in Javelin. Kaiden **won** this event throwing a massive 45.97meters!

Throwing this distance qualifies him for the English Schools Games in Manchester where he will compete for Middlesex against all the counties in England.

Turing House School are incredibly proud of you, and wish you luck in your upcoming competition, Kaiden.



Personal thanks from Mrs Dippie

I saw this challenge online and decided to give it a go as there is always a lot of publication about women's cancers but not as much about men-specific ones. I also have a friend whose father is a survivor of prostate cancer so I thought this would be worth doing. The original challenge was 100 miles over the month, but I decided to do as many as I could which was, at the end, nearer to the 200 mark. The vehicle of 'choice' was the world's most decrepit example of an exercise bike that finally fell apart towards the end of the month so I really can't be sure of the final mileage other than it was more

than the last sum of the readouts (as it kept zeroing as I was riding it). Thank you to all who sponsored me. £145 was raised.

<https://cyclemoth.prostatecanceruk.org/fundraising/cycle-the-month-challenge-200-miles-upping-th>

Let's see if we can get Mrs Dippie to her target.

New Site

The Senior Staff and the Chair of Governors were delighted to have a look around the inside of the new school building earlier this week. We were absolutely blown away by the facilities we will have on offer and the accessibility of the various areas of the school. Progress is coming along very nicely with things looking very positive for a February 2022 moving date. The view from this classroom was incredibly desirable!

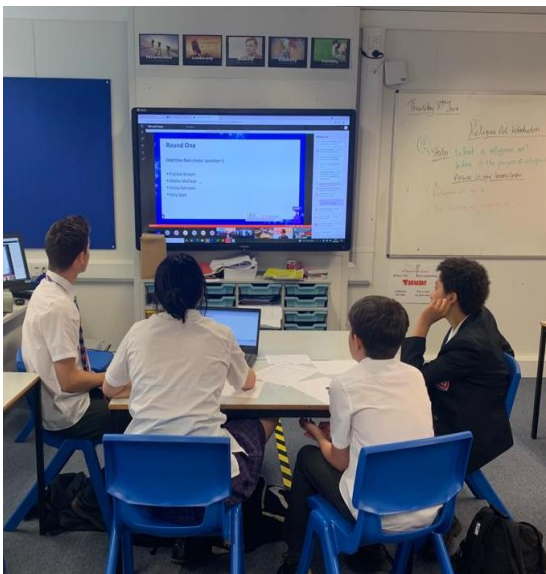
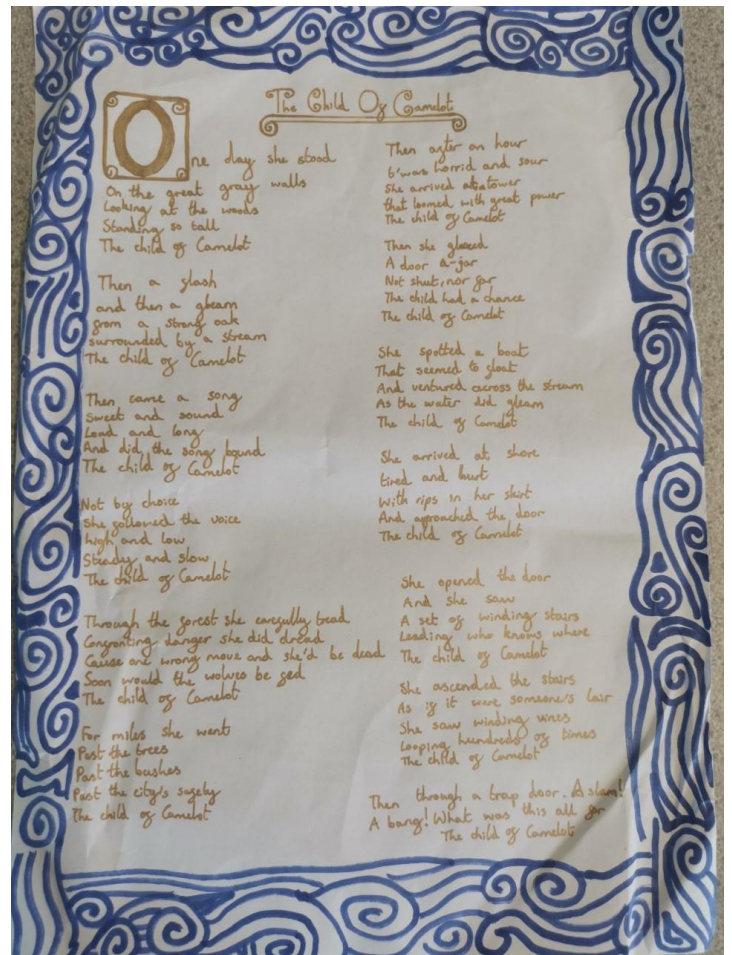


National Literacy Trust Reading Quiz!



Last Thursday, Turing House participated in a challenging quiz testing students' knowledge of literature. Both quiz teams did brilliantly, and we were delighted with the results! One of the team members said:

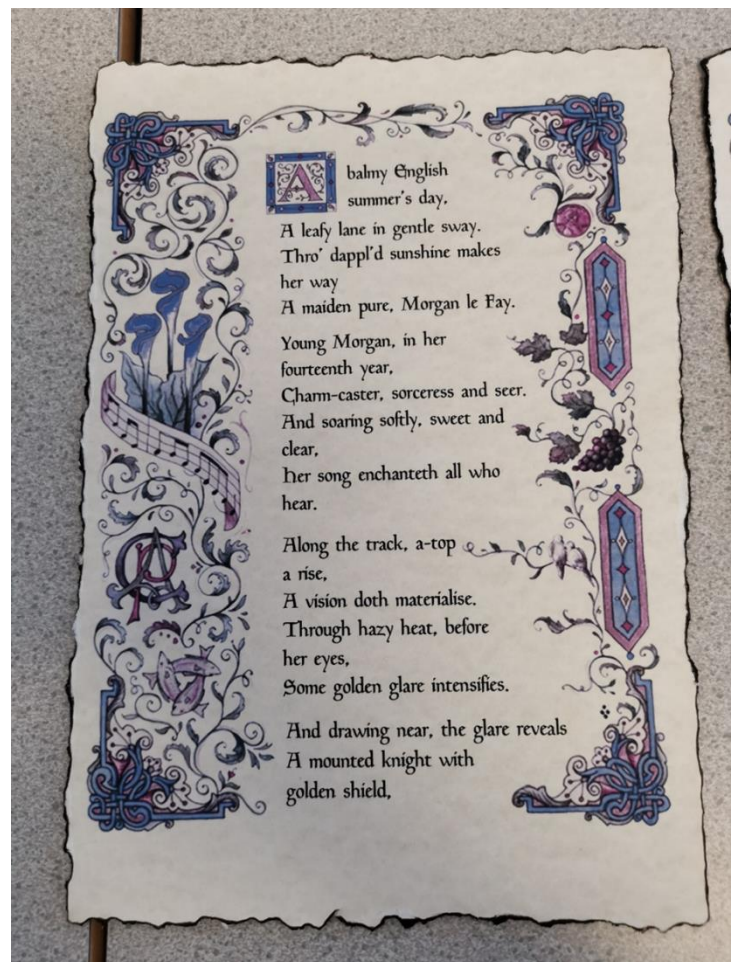
“The Reading Quiz was a challenge, but as much as it was hard, it was also very fun. We worked as a team to overcome rather strange and rather tricky questions. Overall, I really enjoyed my experience, and I am really grateful that I could take part! I can't wait to start reading books that I have only just discovered from my experience!” Olly W – Year 7

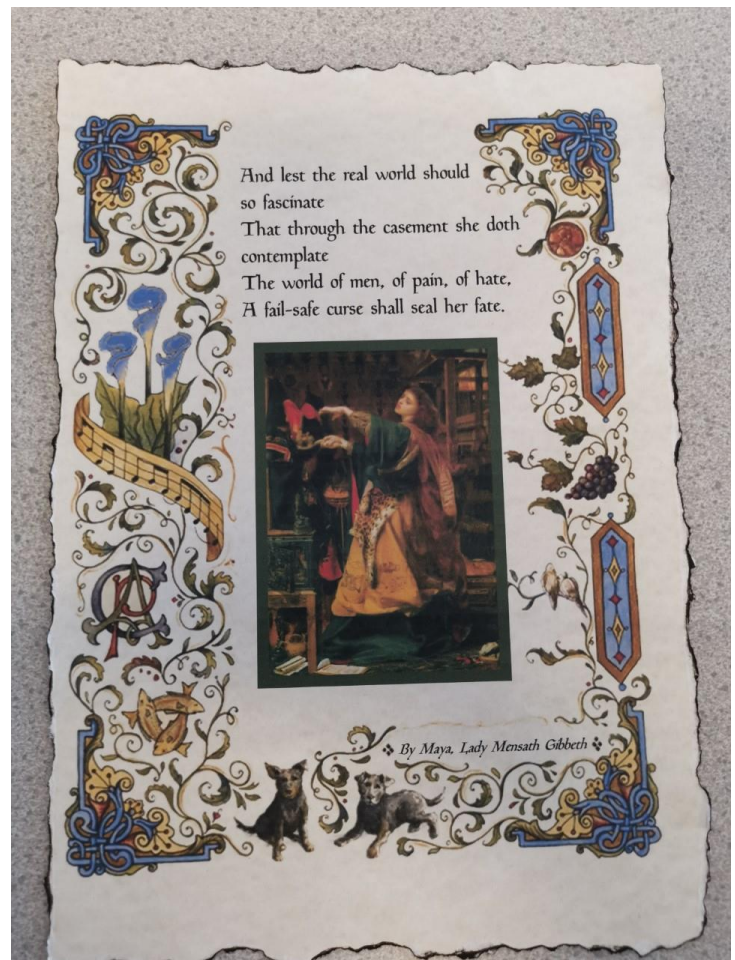
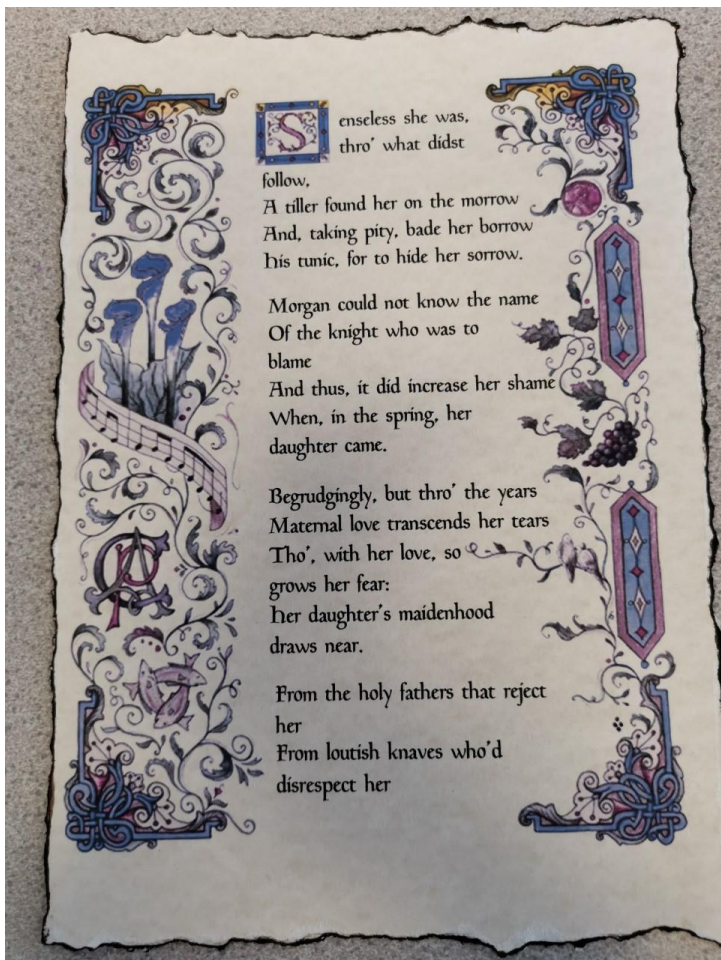
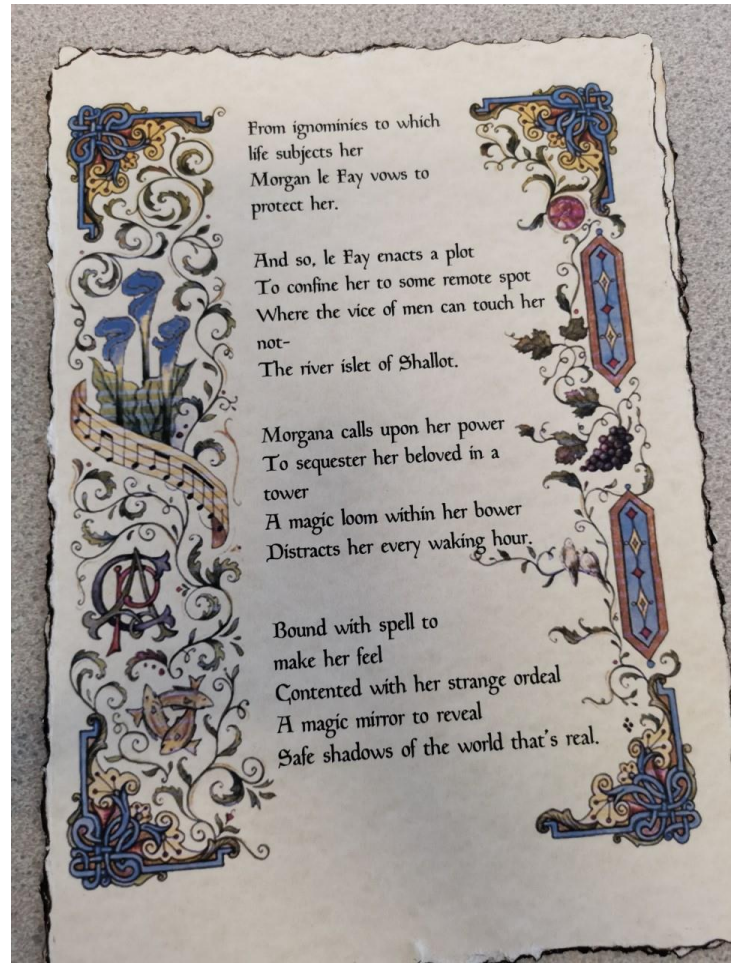
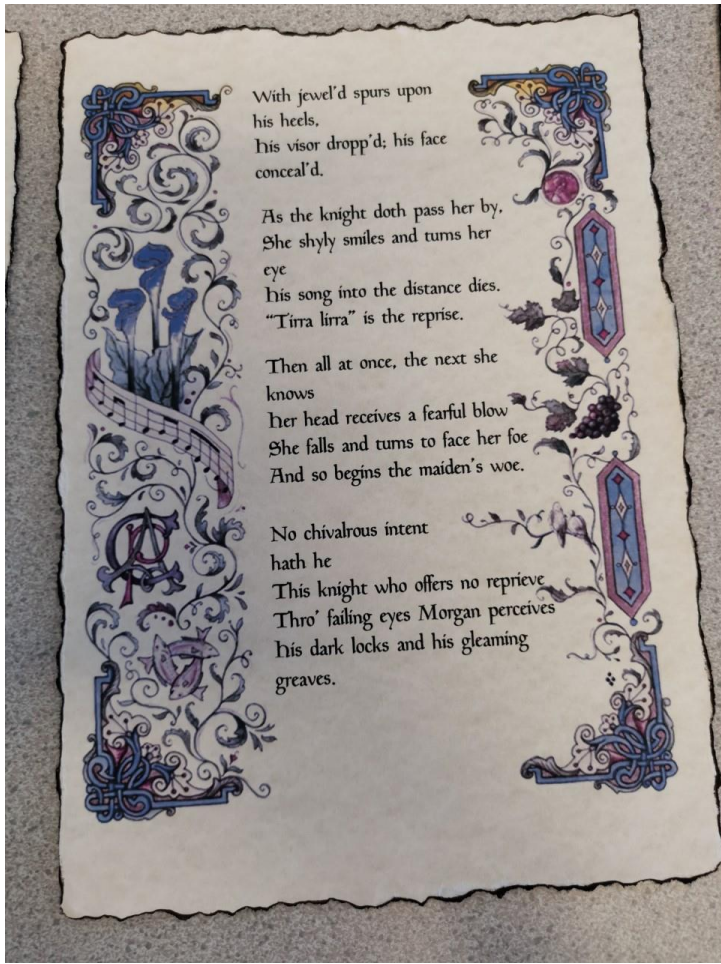


‘The Lady of Shalott’ Prequel Ballads

Year 7 students were set the challenge of writing the prequel to the famous poem, 'The Lady of Shalott' by Tennyson. In their poems, students had to explain why the Lady of Shalott was locked in the tower with a curse on her. We have had a wide range of narratives ranging from jealous siblings to cruel trickery! We have loved hearing them in class. Below are some excellent examples.

Well done, Joseph, Maya and Will T!





*A Lady's maid she had become
And Nanny to the Queen's dear son
She loved her job and more besides
Like flashing her big blue bonny eyes.*

*With furtive looks and naughty gazes
At the king himself who looked quite dazed
To receive such attention from a pretty young thing
But to cheat on his wife was a mortal sin.*

*The girl continued with her game
Determined with her nasty aim
To steal this man and wear a crown
And wrap herself in a red velvet gown.*

*One day in the mirror the queen did see
And thought how on earth this image could be
As she saw her husband stealing a kiss
From this awful young madam and little miss.*

*The queen decided to do her worst
And create a lifelong and terrible curse
To place upon this girl who must pay
So she sent her to a tower far, far away.*

*The curse meant the girl had her whole life to reflect
And never again saw the world direct.*

*To view the world from day-to-day
The mirror was the only way.*

*The images she must continue to weave
As a life for herself and a place to grieve.
The old life she ruined by upsetting a witch
Forever in purgatory, not missing a stitch.*

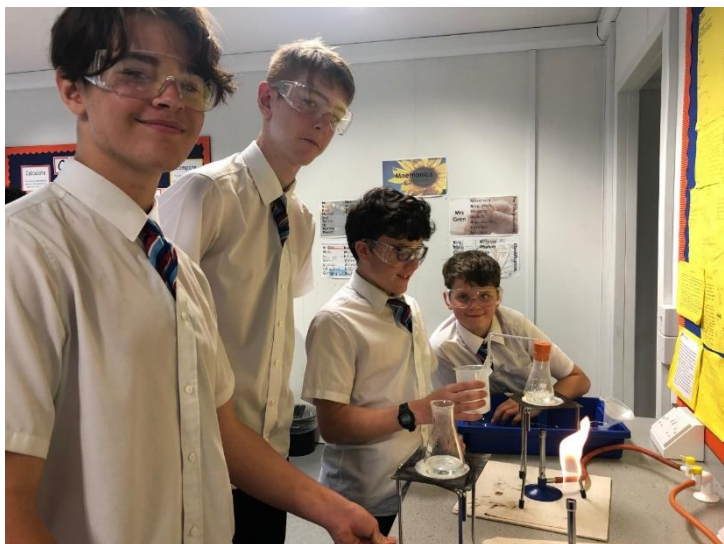
Will T

Previously in chemistry

Year 8 students investigated the effect of volume on the time it takes for water to reach its boiling point as part of enhancing their skills of working scientifically. Students were able to conduct the investigation successfully and enjoyed the practical activity. Well done, Year 8s!



Year 9 students were given a mixture of salt, sand and water and had to use the lab equipment in the correct sequence, in order to separate the mixture and obtain 3 pure samples of water, sand and salt. Students were given no guidance and yet they were all successful in obtaining pure samples of each substance. Well done, Year 9s!



On this week in Chemistry:



June 14th - On This Day: German psychiatrist and neuropathologist Aloisius "Alois" Alzheimer was born on this day in 1865. He is recognised for identifying the first published cases of a progressive, degenerative brain disease that was eventually named after him.

Today there are over 25 million sufferers of Alzheimer's worldwide, but no known cure



June 16th - On This Day: Sir Henry Roscoe announced the isolation of vanadium on this day in 1869. Vanadium (V) is a useful transition metal. Adding small amounts of vanadium to steel considerably increases its strength. Vanadium oxide (V₂O₅) is used as a catalyst in the industrial manufacture of sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄). Did you know that Vanadium is named after 'Vanadis', the old Norse name for the Scandinavian goddess Freyja? Vanadium alloys are used in nuclear reactors because of vanadium's low neutron-absorbing properties.

This week's chemistry joke:

**WHAT KIND OF DOGS
DO CHEMISTS HAVE?**



LABORATORY RETRIEVERS

New student



Some of the older members of the school community will remember the Bearded Dragon we had in science for a while. Over the years we have had a range of wildlife bought in by Mrs Dippie. Her soon-to-arrive addition will be this stick insect. I am sure that plenty of students will want to find out what type of stick insect this is.

Fundraising by Paul Chapman

As Headteacher, I come across many professionals that inspire me with their commitment to ensuring the very best for young people. Recently I had the pleasure of speaking to Paul Chapman who runs the Virtual School for Looked After Children. I was so impressed with the support he provided to Turing House and at the time was unaware of his personal circumstances whilst he was busy solving others' problems. Please take some

time to read Paul's story and support his wonderful cause.

Here is Paul's blog [link](#) the [Just giving](#) (fundraising) page

Good luck, Paul.

FSM Free School Meals - Applications

In these challenging times, your financial situation might have changed. If you are now in receipt of benefits that you were not entitled to previously, then you may also be entitled to apply for a Free School Meal certificate for your children, which will provide you with supermarket vouchers to the same value of school meals, whilst your child is not at school.

Please check your local authority website to apply.

RICHMOND UPON THAMES

https://www.richmond.gov.uk/free_school_meals

Please contact the school office at finance@turinghouseschool.org.uk if you have any questions regarding Free School Meals or if you need any assistance with the application.

ParentPay accounts

A gentle request to please top up your son/daughter's lunch account on ParentPay if it is currently overdrawn or has a low balance, to enable them to buy food at school. Parents/carers can set up a low-balance reminder that is a useful facility. Thank you.

Head of Business and Economics

Hi Everyone! I'm Miss Whittick – the new Head of Business and Economics at THS. I am approaching the end of my second week and have to say that I'm overwhelmed by the welcoming nature of my colleagues and the dedicated work ethic and great attitude shown by the students. I am very excited to be leading the Business and Economics department and watching the subject thrive in this dynamic and progressive environment. The next academic year will be big for the department as we will see our first Year 12 Business A-level cohort, and our first Year 13

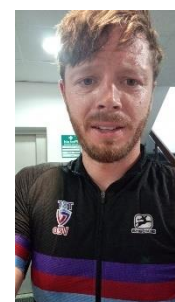
Economics A-level results! We have other exciting prospects such as Young Enterprise, talks from individuals within industry and trips to businesses so our students can see how the theory is put into practice. I look forward to keeping you informed on more exciting news from the department as it unfolds.

Ironman Mr Millar

On Sunday 25th July 2021 I will be representing Turing House School and raising money for the Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation while I complete my first ever Ironman distance triathlon.

Well known as the toughest single day challenge you can undertake – a 3.8km swim, a 180km bike ride and a 42.2km run – this will be a huge test of my mental and physical fitness and endurance. Any donations you can make will really help to drag me through the final miles.

I have chosen the Daniel Spargo-Mabbs charity to support Nicola Thomas as she raises money to remember Tarun, whom I taught Maths. As we approach the anniversary of Tarun's death, I do hope I can get some donations in to support this wonderful charity. If you would like to contribute a provide the extra motivation for this challenge, please click here:



<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/mmillar>

Speakers for Schools

Turing House school has teamed up with Speakers for Schools to give our students access to some exciting and inspiring speakers from across industry, entertainment and academia. Starting this week, they will be hosting some inspiring sessions with leading professionals and celebrities (Will Young) in the TV, Media and Music industry.

Predict '21 Campaign Tues 22nd June 2-3pm

Robert Elsey, CIO, Executive Director for Technology, Bank of England (For K4-5)

What is Fintech? How is technology changing and developing in banking? How does the Bank of England stay safe from cyber-attacks? Robert Elsey, Executive Director for Technology and Chief Information Officer for the Bank of England will be answering all of our questions during our Predict '21 Campaign Broadcast.

Predict '21 Campaign Thurs 24th June 10-11am

Nicolas Cary, Co-Founder & Vice Chairman, blockchain.com (For KS4-5)

What is Cryptocurrency? What is Blockchain technology and how does it work? How do companies use blockchain.com for cybersecurity? Nicolas Cary, a serial entrepreneur, and lifelong technologist will be answering our questions and sharing his predictions for the future!

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Leigh Thomas, Director, Global Clients and Categories, EMEA, Facebook (For KS4-5)

Join us for a broadcast with the Director of Global Categories and Clients for Facebook! Leigh leads the categories of Cars, eCommerce, and FMGC at Facebook, helping partners with their digital marketing and business transformation, across Instagram, Facebook, and Whatsapp. Leigh is passionate about gender equality and is a WACL executive (Women in Communications and Marketing London). She is also a board trustee for Pennies, the award-winning charity that raises millions for charities across the UK through digital microdonations.

To register for these events, please email charlotte.stringfellow@speakersforschools.org

Upcoming Events for Parents

The Friends of Turing House are hoping to be able to run a social event for parents soon. With restrictions constantly changing, we regret that this has not been possible this academic year.

We have searched for events that could be run in a Covid-safe way and one possible suggestion was a tasting evening run by a local company.

Before we go ahead, we would welcome your feedback on how popular this kind of event would be. Please could you spare a minute (we promise that's all it will take!) to answer a couple of questions about whether this would be of interest or to offer any other suggestions? <https://forms.gle/4A6HALkMwvp9d2uy6>

Digital Theatre

Remember to make use of our school subscription to Digital Theatre Plus and watch some amazing theatre productions online.

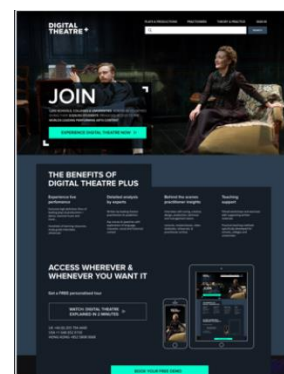
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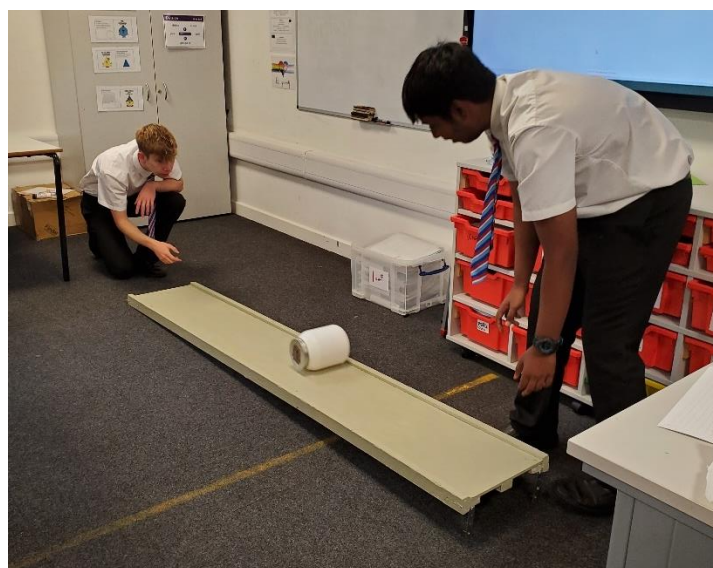
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Password - theatre

Please use the correct username for your year group, as there are age-appropriate filters set on the logins.



Something Random in Physics 🤖



After School Sports Clubs

Athletics club will be running every Wednesday this term. This is for years 7 – 9 and runs 3pm – 4pm on the field. Anyone looking to take part in the Borough Sports event should attend (each school takes a group of students to compete against other schools in Richmond in a number of track and field athletic events).

The following football clubs are also running throughout this term:

- Monday - Year 7
- Tuesday - Year 9
- Thursday - Year 8

These clubs are open to all genders and will run 3pm - 4pm. Please remember to bring your PE kit to get changed into at 3pm if you do not have PE that day.

Success for Andre at Watford FC

Well done to Andre A in Year 7 who plays football for Watford FC – Andre recently found out that his contract with Watford has been extended for another two years! Well done, Andre, on this great achievement!

BTEC Sport Science After School Session

A reminder to Year 10 BTEC Sport Science students that after-school catch up sessions are still running. These will now run every Tuesday 3pm – 4pm. All students from this course are welcome.

Sporting Headline of the Week

Wimbledon's men's and women's finals will be played in front of full capacity crowds - the first UK outdoor sporting events to do so since the start of the pandemic. The tournament, starting on 28th June, will begin with 50% ground capacity. That will then rise throughout the tournament. Wembley will also be able to host matches at 50% capacity for the knockout stages of Euro 2020. Those events are being treated as fan pilots - exempt from strict capacity limits despite the government's decision to delay the easing of all remaining coronavirus restrictions until 19th July.

Sporting Fact of the Week

Did you know.....?

The Dallas Cowboys hired the NFL's first professional cheerleading squad in 1972.

Euros 2020(21) Wall Chart



The 2020 European Football Championship is finally underway after it was delayed last year due to COVID-19. The PE department are tracking the progress of each team using the wall chart outside the hall on both sites. Check it out as the tournament unfolds! Mr Berrett suspects Mr Quigley of being a secret Scotland fan, but he has his head on France to win it.

Netball

