

12th January 2018

## Year 8 Interim Reports & Parents' Evening

Year 8 Interim Reports have now been sent home with students and are also available to view online.

Year 8 Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January. In order to provide the opportunity for all parents to see some staff, the appointments are limited to six per student and will last 5 minutes. To ensure the smooth running of the evening, we have set the system so that appointments can be booked five minutes apart.

Please book your appointments here:

<https://turinghouseschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

## Bike Marking

The Police will once again be coming to Turing House on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January to security-mark some more bikes.



## Forthcoming Events

- 18 January:** Year 8 Parents, Evening
- 23 January:** THS Friends Meeting 7pm
- 24 January:** Bike Marking
- 24 January:** Careers Evening Year 9
- 29 January:** Parent Workshops 5pm, 6pm, 7pm

## Turing House Friends next meeting

The next meeting of the place on 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

## School Trips

Please take some time to check the status of trip-related payments on your child's account and pay any overdue instalments immediately. For reference, below is a list of payments that we should have received thus far and upcoming instalment dates.

Trip	Year	Account to have balance of	Next instalment due
Iceland	Year 9	£305	02-Feb-18
Bushcraft	Year 7	£120	08-Jan-18
Bushcraft	Year 9	£190	All instalments completed*
* Please ensure that all instalments for <b>Bushcraft Y9</b> are up-to-date. The trip will be closed on Scopay shortly			

## Year 7 & 9 Interim Reports

These were sent home with students this week. Please discuss them with your child and if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

## Fixtures

- 17 Jan:** Volleyball u13/u15 Girls v Orleans Park
- 23 Jan:** Year 8 Boys Rugby League v TBC

## Adolescent Brain – Parent/Carer Workshop

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January, we are holding a workshop for parents.

These workshops are intended to enable parents/guardians to gain a better understanding of the changes adolescents go through, and how you can adapt your parenting and support strategies to promote their education, self-esteem and identity formation at this critical period of life. During adolescence both the structure and the function of the brain changes.

How does this change affect their relationship with you as parent/guardian, their siblings, interactions with other adults, authority figures and their peers?

The workshop will run three times at 5pm, 6pm & 7pm in the Main Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and no booking is required; the workshop will last for 50 minutes.

In addition to the presentation, there will be time for questions and answers and opportunity for sharing strategies to meet the changing and developmental needs of adolescents. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Coder Dojo – Next Event



The next Turing House CoderDojo event will be on Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup>. As usual, there will be a variety of hands-on coding workshops for young people, with fun activities suitable for beginners and more experienced coders. We

hope to see many Turing House families there. The tickets are normally snapped up quickly though, so to be notified of when they are released you will need to join the CoderDojo mailing list. For more details, please see:

<https://turinghousecoderdojo.wordpress.com/take-part/>

## MENSA Puzzle

A fire engine travels six miles to a fire at a speed of 40 mph.

Its tank holds 500 gallons of water but has been leaking throughout the journey at a rate of 25 gallons per hour.

If the fire engine uses 496 gallons of water to put out the fire, how much water will it have remaining?

**Last week's answer:** Snowflake

## Medicine & Healthcare Summer School

Interested in studying Medicine or Healthcare sciences? Please see Mrs Skinnard for some exciting opportunities to attend a Spring or Summer school at St George's, University of London.

## Yoga & Fitness Club



Is your New Year's resolution to be more active? Mrs Skinnard & Ms Emerton are keen to resume Yoga and Fitness clubs before school so please let them know if you are interested! Both classes will run from **7.30-8.00 am** with **Fitness** on **Tuesday** mornings and **Yoga** on **Thursday** mornings.



A Journey through the Musicals



Amazing performances from everyone who took part in the school show last week! We were very proud of all the students who took part both onstage and off.



**Year 9 Careers Evening**

We will be holding a careers evening on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm for Year 9 students and their parents. We will have guest speakers and the booking system will be available soon. Pop the date in your diary!

**January SALE – School Calendars**

We have a few calendars left at a bargain price of £5 each! They feature the work of our students. The photos were taken as part of the Turing House Photography Challenge. Please enclose the correct money in a named envelope and we will send home a calendar with your son/daughter. Thank you.

**Nut Allergy**

We try to maintain a safe environment for all our students and staff, taking every precaution we can with respect to food allergies. Nuts are a common cause of anaphylactic reactions. Our school caterers 'Harrisons' maintain a total nut free policy ensuring no nut products are directly used in the preparation of any of the food offered to our students and staff.

If your child brings a packed lunch or other food to school we would be grateful for your support in ensuring that these too are nut free and do not contain any nut based product, for example peanut butter or chocolate spread. Thank you.