

24<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Message from Mr O'Sullivan

In September of 2015 I posted the picture below on Twitter. It was simply entitled 'lift off'. The founding teachers and I were so happy to be in a school building, having spent a week or so at Richmond upon Thames college, Go Ape and Thames Young Mariners. One member of the public responded with 'into space I hope', which at the time somewhat took the shine off what was an amazing start to our journey. I am delighted to say that three of the students (without using a magnifying glass, as my eyesight has degraded since 2015!) are still with us and will finish their A-level education in the building they were promised in 2016. The 1<sup>st</sup> of April signifies the end of one chapter as we close the doors to our two sites and move to pastures new. For me, this will be like the starting of a new season of Dr Who in which the producers have changed the inside of the Tardis. I'm sad but I'll get over it. Onwards!



## Pharmacist for respiratory and sleep medicine visits Year 9 Science

On Monday, Mrs. Grainne D'Ancona, a consultant pharmacist for respiratory and sleep medicine at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, visited THS.

Mrs. D'Ancona spoke with a Year 9 Science class about her career, training, and different ways that she monitors and helps people with their respiratory health. The students had numerous questions and Mrs. D'Ancona took the time to explain numerous issues related to respiration.

The students enjoyed locating and listening to their heart and lung sounds. Pictured are Issy and Oscar listening to their hearts.



### Dates for the Diary:

INSET day - 25<sup>th</sup> March

School Show – 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> June



Adam looks very comfortable with the stethoscope draped around his neck.



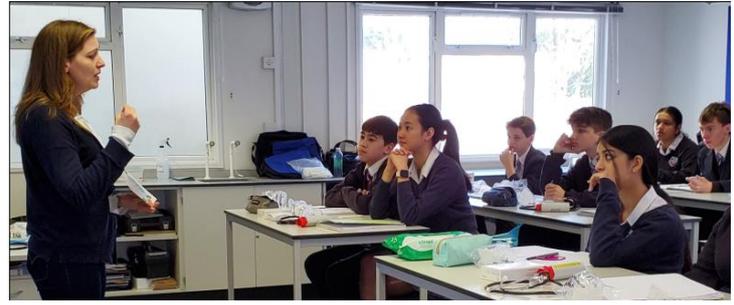
Abduljaleel had the greatest lung capacity in the class based on the Peek flow meter readings the students took. Pictured you can see his excellent reading on the meter after he has just achieved it.



The class was very curious about asthma and Mrs. D'Ancona brought along several different asthma inhalers training devices that the students got to explore.

Mrs. D'Ancona also had a breath analyser with her that tested for the presence of carbon dioxide. All of the students in the class tried it and learned that while they scored well, Mrs. D'Ancona sees patients who smoke that have very large scores showing high amounts of carbon dioxide in their breath.

The visit from Mrs. D'Ancona was very informative, and the students were able to apply what they were learning and receive expert advice.



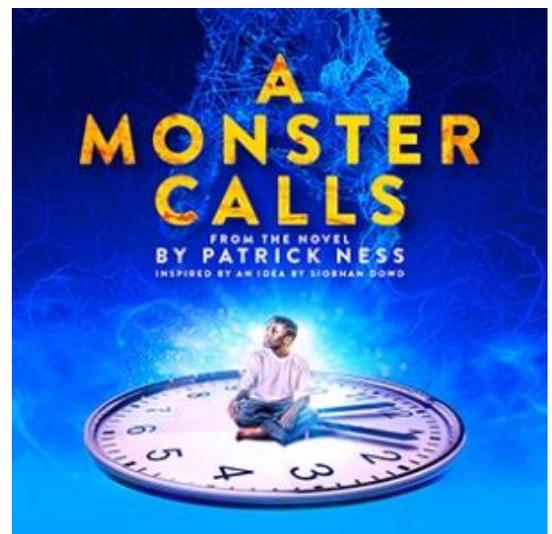
### Year 11 Drama – Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Y11 GCSE Drama students who had their final performance exam (in front of a visiting examiner) on Thursday.

They also performed their pieces to parents, staff and Y10 drama students last Friday in a showcase. Students performed scenes from plays including 'Macbeth', 'Five Kinds of Silence' and '4:48 Psychosis'. Well done to all involved on some really impressive performances.

### Year 10 Drama Students Visit

Y10 Drama students will be attending a production of 'A Monster Calls' at the Rose Theatre in Kingston next Wednesday. Students are looking forward to seeing this production which has been given 4 and 5 stars by critics.



Matilda

The cast and crew of Matilda worked particularly hard on Tuesday in a 3-hour after school rehearsal. As well as running the show from beginning to end, our tech team have been ordering costumes and props, and designing set, while our band have been rehearsing the songs.



A particular highlight of rehearsals has been watching our Y11/12 students take the lead on teaching choreography, singing and modelling excellent rehearsal behaviour attitude.



A huge thanks to students (especially Y7/8) for hot footing between sites for rehearsals since September - we're all looking forward to being under one roof and on the stage in our main hall for future rehearsals.



Year 10 Exam Week

Ahead of Year 10 Exam Week, all Year 10 students have been given an example revision timetable to either use, or to help guide them in creating their own revision timetable, ahead of the exams.

We are really excited to support them in this week and use the exams to identify gaps in their knowledge which we can fill in future teaching.

Year 10 Example Revision Timetable – Ahead of Exam Week the Week Beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April

When	Morning Revision	Afternoon Revision
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	English Language	English Literature
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Maths	Maths
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Biology	Chemistry
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	RP	Physics
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	English Language	English Literature
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	Maths
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Biology	Chemistry
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	RP	Physics
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	English Language	English Literature
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	Maths
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Biology	Chemistry
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	RP	Physics
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	English Language	English Literature
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	Maths
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Biology	Chemistry
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	RP	Physics
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	English Language	English Literature

their own potential. Students will have the opportunity to meet leading companies, take part in exciting challenges and hands-on activities and find out more about university life and apprenticeships. It's a day that changes minds – especially those who may never have previously considered a career in science or technology. Click here [here](#) to reserve your place.

There will be a carefully targeted set of interactive experiences where you will meet a wide range of exciting employers, get hands on in university labs and learn more about making your university or apprenticeships applications. You will take part in lively activities across the campus, showcasing different departments from health to media, biomechanics to psychology.

They have planned a series of experiences which will open students' eyes to the different pathways you might consider – whether you're considering the university or apprenticeship routes. You will have the opportunities to meet a wide range of employers who will run engaging challenges and help students understand the different entry points to careers and the personal qualities which they value.

You will be able to meet University of Roehampton staff and students who can answer any questions you may have.

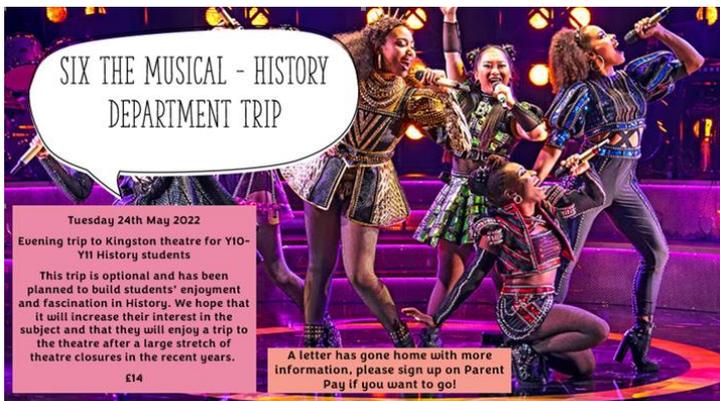
Student Property

Please remember to take everything of yours from school on Tuesday.

Please do not leave PE kits, coats, bags on the school sites as we will not be able to retrieve them after the Easter holidays.

Thank you.

Six the Musical Trip – Year 10/11 History Students



TeenTech Roehampton Festival

The TeenTech Roehampton Festival will bring together schools and colleges together for an exciting interactive programme that will help young people understand the range of opportunities across digital, science and technology and the many different entry points.

The TeenTech Festival is a sharply focused event that changes perceptions and helps students understand

## Berlin History Trip

We were very excited to announce our GCSE History Berlin Trip this week. Thank you to all students and parents for their support and for helping us reach a really tight turnaround. This was unavoidable on this occasion but will not happen again in future.



We are so excited for the trip and will be in touch with families soon to let them know if they secured a place or not.

## Year 10 Crime & Punishment History Talk

Thank you to PC Smith for coming in this week to speak to our Y10 Historians about the work she does as a police officer. It was brilliant in aiding students' understanding of the Crime and Punishment GCSE History course.



## Forthcoming Fixtures

### Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March:

Year 7 Boys Rugby v Richmond Park Academy (away)

Year 9/10 Girls Football v Twickenham (away)

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March:

Year 8 Boys Football v Teddington (away)

## Year 8 Girls Netball Tournament

Well done to the Year 8 girls who took part in their first netball tournament as a team last week. The tournament took place at LEH School, and despite some stiff competition, the Turing team worked brilliantly together and enjoyed the experience. Ms Johnson was very proud of their skill development from the first game to the last.



## Year 7 & 8 Girls Netball v Teddington

The Year 7 and the Year 8 girls netball teams took on Teddington in this week's league games. Teddington came away with the double win but both Turing teams managed to close the score margin, showing some real progression since their last fixture. The girls are looking forward to doing netball in PE later in the year at the new school! Well done to everyone involved!



The deer were out in force to see us off and the sun was shining for the final few weeks. Onto pastures new!



Benton's Cafe



**Fund Raiser for Ukraine**

Benton's Café 118D High Street (Hampton Hill), will be running a fund-raising morning on:

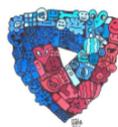
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 9a.m. – 12.00.

Come and choose a free coffee and pastry and donate the money to: **the Disasters Emergency Committee Ukraine Appeal**. The money raised will go towards providing food, water, shelter and medical assistance to people in Ukraine and those that have fled to neighbouring countries. We look forward to seeing you!

PE Department say Goodbye to Bushy Park!

The PE Department are preparing to say a fond farewell to Bushy Park, as we move into the new school and have new facilities to look forward to. The historic and scenic Bushy Park has played host to our PE lessons over the years for students on the Teddington site.

Turing House Friends



TURING HOUSE FRIENDS

**2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Sale & Grand Piano Fundraiser**

A big thank you to everyone who came to our uniform sale! **We raised a massive £650**, which will go towards the new piano.

This week we made it just past the 50% milestone, which means 50% more to go... please make a contribution to get us closer to the finish line.

You can do that here  [GoFundMe](#)

## Jack Petchey Speak Our Regional Final

Over the past few months there have been various stages to the Speak Out Competition, starting with a workshop, an assembly where students had to perform a speech in front of Year 7s, and then the regional final last Wednesday.

Evie H. and Serine Z. represented Turing House at the event and were a real credit to the school. Their speech titles, 'Women in the Patriarchy' and 'Women in a Man's World' give you a hint at what their speeches were focused on! Both students expressed themselves articulately and were eloquent and powerful in the delivery of their speech. It is worth noting that they were performing in front of an auditorium of parents, teachers, friends, and family as well as the judges who included a member of parliament, a senior doctor, the chair of Speaker's Trust and the Deputy Mayor of Richmond (quite an intimidating group!).

There were 12 other contestants from 6 schools in the borough who all performed at an incredibly high standard. Unfortunately, there can only be one regional winner who was a girl from Orleans, but I honestly wouldn't have been able to choose between the contestants - they were all brilliant!

This is a huge achievement for Serine and Evie and something I'm sure would have filled most of us with dread at the age of 14! Well done, Serine and Evie!



## THS Apprentice For a Day

This week, the Careers department held our first 'Apprentice for a Day' activity. We were delighted by the enthusiasm amongst students to take up roles within the school, resulting in over 130 students applying. 31 students from Years 7 – 11 have stepped up to this, and on Thursday could be seen throughout the school teaching students, running the finance department and even being the Head for a day.



Above: George delivering a warm up instructions to Year 8.

Below: Noah and Zahir helping deliver History lessons and presentations today.



Being able to offer opportunities for work experience is proving harder in recent times. The chance for students to learn about the teaching career from the inside is an invaluable opportunity. In the words of Noah S.: 'It has made me realise the effort the teachers go to. It gives me more respect for them.'

We are excited to meet more Student Apprentices during April; as we settle into our new site, they will get the chance to really make their mark. Thank you once again for all those who have supported this initiative.

## Guitar Lessons Online – free first lesson!



**Online Guitar Lessons**

Online Zoom lessons great for busy families

Lessons taught by experienced and friendly Professional Guitarist and tutor

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