



The Witches

As many of you will know, this week, 45 of our students (that's 45% of the school!) put on the performance of their lives in our first ever Turing House School Production: Roald Dahl's 'The Witches'. They played to three packed-out audiences over the course of two days, stunning everyone with their energy, talent and professionalism. The comments and feedback from parents and other members of the community have been overwhelming. On Thursday, we performed twice to Year 5 students from Hampton Hill Junior and Stanley Primary School who were transfixed by the performance. Comments from their students included:

"That was the best production I have ever seen!"

"I've been to the cinema before but never the theatre; this was my first time. I loved it!"

"They were all AMAZING!"

Apparently, the Stanley staff were double checking with our chair of Governors that our students are all only two years older than the Y5s in the audience as they couldn't believe the level of skill and talent on the stage!

We are so incredibly proud of all of our students and the commitment they have shown over the past few months. Their performance, both on stage and behind the scenes, was nothing short of outstanding and they have truly set the standard for years to come.

Below is a selection of images from the performance; we will also be creating an album on the website's gallery of the professional shots taken by Mr StJohn-Smith and Mr Haines, which you are welcome to download and keep for yourselves. Mr Kenyon kindly filmed the production, and we shall inform you when copies of the DVD will be available as well.

Thank you to everyone – students, parents and staff – for all your efforts, support and help in what was an absolutely incredible week!



The Witches' Conference

Forthcoming Events

19 April: Turing House Friends' Meeting, in school, 7.30pm

21 April: Performance at Elleray Hall Open Day

22 April: INSET day

28 April: Junior Maths Challenge (in school during lesson time)

Fixtures

19 Apr: Boys' Football – AWAY v Hampton Academy

29 Apr: Indoor Rowing – venue tbc

3 May: Cricket - HOME v Christs

3 May: Girls' Rounders - AWAY v Hampton Academy



The comical chefs, played by Will and Joe



Grandma and Girl, played by Maria and Alicia

Mensa Puzzle

Rearrange the following letters to give two words. All nine letters must be used in each word. What are the words?

EEGINRRSV

Last week's answer: *Cheshire, Parmesan and Emmental.*

Boys' Football v St Richard Reynolds

On 12 April Turing House Boys went to play St Richard Reynolds. The whole of the first half Turing House were dominant with Matthew steering a header just wide and Albie striking the post. Then finally our chance came when Paddy was brought down in the box and we

were awarded a penalty. As Paddy won it, he took it and scored, putting us 1-0 up at halftime. We soon got another goal through Albie. Matthew then scored his 5th goal in 3 games. The final result was 4-2 and everyone contributed their all, especially Paddy who was Man of the Match. This was a great result against a strong opposition.

Fixtures on the Website

We have updated the way we display fixture information on our website. With almost three quarters of our students having represented the school in competitive sports, we want to make it easier to celebrate their efforts and successes.

As well as being able to look through all past fixtures by sport or opponent and read match reports, we've added team lists as well. Soon students will be able to see their own personal record of participation.

<https://www.turinghouseschool.org.uk/fixtures.php>

Lily-Rose piano success

Congratulations to Lily-Rose who has recently passed her Grade 1 piano exam. Well done, Lily-Rose!

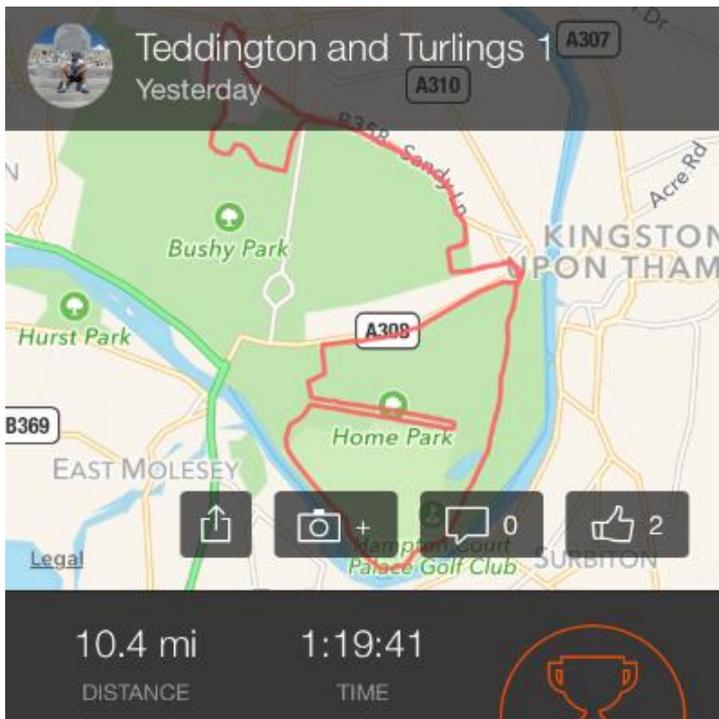
Cycling Club Launched

On Tuesday our cycling club went out for its first ride in beautiful weather conditions, although the park was a little muddy!

Students and staff covered just over 10 miles in just over an hour. Abilities were varied and praise must be given to those who found it hard going but persevered.



Each week we'll be nominating a 'Riders' Rider' award; this week the inaugural award went to Ciaran in 7DA.



For next week, students are advised to bring some water with them as the temperature is finally getting a bit warmer.



Cycling Competition

On Thursday 26th May between 1pm – 3pm, the borough will be holding its annual cycling championships.

A school team will be made up of six pupils with a minimum of 2 girls and each school can enter only one team.

The competition will be made up of both sprint races and cross country races, with heats and finals taking place in both events.

Points will be added together to produce one overall team (school) as the winner.

There will also be individual prizes for the top point scoring boy and girl. Any students interested should speak to Mr O'Sullivan.

Think Aloud

The programme for our debate/philosophy club is listed below. Students should come to room 1.3 at 3.15pm on Thursdays.

- 4 April - 'Cosmetic surgery should be banned'
- 21 April - 'Every child should have a mobile phone'
- 28 April – 'All asylum seekers should be allowed to go to any country they want'
- 5 May - 'Religion does more harm than good'
- 12 May - 'School uniform should be banned from schools'
- 19 May - 'Prisoners should have the right to vote'
- 26 May - 'Faith schools should not exist'
- 9 June - 'Mothers should stay at home and look after their children'
- 16 June - 'Animals should have rights'
- 23 June - 'Buying clothes from the Third World cheaply is justified'
- 30 June - n/a
- 7 July - 'God is a myth created to control the masses'

Bushy Park Girls' Cricket Club

Bushy Park Girls' CC will be holding a cricket taster session on Monday 18th April 2016 for girls who are Year 8 and below, at Teddington Cricket Club from 17:00 – 18:45.

Try your hand at bowling, batting and fielding with our friendly, qualified coaches. No previous experience is necessary and no special equipment is needed. Just come along in trainers and wear something comfortable or sporty. The cost will be £3 (pay on day) which will include a drink and snack. Visit www.bushyparkgirls.com to register.

Grass Track Cycling Session

On the 19th May, British Cycling coach Graham MacNamee (Mac) is coming to Turing House to deliver a free grass track cycling session. Mac is happy to deliver the session to a maximum of 16 students, boys and girls, and will provide all the necessary equipment. The session will take place in Bushy Park. This session will provide a perfect training for the 6 riders that will be taking part in the borough competition the following week. Students from the Tuesday cycling club will take priority, however any other students interested should speak to Mr O'Sullivan.

Elleray Hall Open Day

Don't forget the event on Thursday 21st, starting at **1pm**



We are pleased to announce that our first ever winners of the Jack Petchey Award are Mimi and Jacob. These two students gain a welcome letter from Jack Petchey, a pin badge and an invitation to an award winners' ceremony. They also get to spend £250 on something educational for the school. Below are the nominations as written by our students. Both students received multiple nominations.

Mimi – “For continuously participating in sports events and not making fuss; because she always tries really hard in everything she does; because she is in most of the girls' sports teams, if not all of them.”

Jacob – “For coming into school without any fuss and always trying his hardest; because he is always nice and never gives up; for being modest whilst achieving highly in gymnastics & working well in class & not causing disruption when he comes in late; he works hard all the time and goes to gymnastics early in the morning and always makes an effort.”

World Silver Medal at Turing House

We are pleased to announce that we now have a world silver medallist attending Turing House School! We should all be very proud that Jacob and the British team secured the silver medal in the World Championships Balance event in China. This is a remarkable achievement for this young man. It should also be mentioned that Jacob was competing in the under sixteens' category. Well done Jacob!

Jack Petchey

