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It's Really Happening!

21 October 2022

ISSUE

Parents, boys and teachers have been walking past the construction site occupying 190 Sheen Lane for several months now. Sideways glances have been rewarded with seeing the impressive development taking shape in front of their eyes. We are delighted to announce that our collective patience will soon be satisfied and our new facilities will be 'open for business'.

If everyone could pray for dry weather over the half term break - that would be great. We need a dry three-day period to 'wetpour' the playground with a new rubber crumb coating. Part of our planning conditions included the planting of three new trees - these are going in next week - then we should have Practical Completion at the end of the second week of the half term break.

We are very excited about moving in - however, this may not be a wholesale move immediately. Classrooms will still need some finishing touches such as desks (fairly critical) and notice boards etc. These will be sorted within a week or so - then we are good to go!

The multi-purpose hall is incredible. I look forward to seeing the boys' jaws drop when then go in for the first time. The good news is that the first to do so will be our Year 8 class - an honour perhaps slightly tainted by the fact they will be doing their mock exams is this adaptable space after half term.

The positive knock on effects are: school lunches will be able to continue as normal (NO PACKED LUNCHES NEEDED), plus clubs, music ensembles and individual music lessons can also operate without interruption.

It has been a while coming - but, the wait has been definitely worth it.



Black History Month

On Friday we rounded off our Black History Month events with a Black History Month Assembly. Mr Satterthwaite and the Years 7s encouraged the school to consider that "Black History is British History" and the idea that " We cannot

be what we cannot see", discussing representation in media and sport.

Friday also saw Wear Red Day, which is an event run by Show Racism the Red Card and gets supporters to actively be anti-racist- a number of great Red accessories were on show, including a Top Hat and Scarves!









THESE FIGURES BY YEAR 4 WERE A CREATION INSPIRED BY THE TURNER PRIZE ARTIST LUBIANA HIMID LOOKING AT HER WORK FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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Year 1 News

Year 1 have been making a claim to being the busiest class in the school! They have found time to paint some pumpkins, make some 'Day of the Dead' masks and go for an autumnal walk in Richmond Park - as these amazing photos show ...







Senior School News

Year 7 Geography

Year 7 spent a couple of their Geography lessons creating some of the landforms they've learnt about! Waterfalls, meanders, oxbow lakes, levees and of course, what models of river landforms would be complete without a mention of the thalweg! Top marks to anyone who knows what that is.



That's Jazz!

Seniors and Juniors were treated to some fantastic trumpet playing in assemblies on Monday.

Our Visiting Music Teacher, Reuben Fowler, is aiming to swell the numbers of the school brass section - particularly trumpets and trombones!

Reuben has played with Boy George, Paloma Faith, Noel



Gallagher and Sam Smith and has coached many excellent players here at THS.

If your son would like to take up the trumpet - get in touch with Mrs Minter (<u>minter@thsboys.org.uk</u>) to set the wheels in motion.



Senior School News

Year 5 PSHE

This half-term in Year 5 PSHE, we have been focusing on child refugees, the convention on the rights of the child, rights and responsibilities to end up with what success looks like when you are a child. The boys have demonstrated a great sense of maturity when discussing sensitive issues - which was great to see.

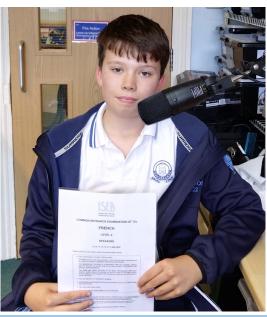


Our final projects represent the journey between rights, responsibilities and achievements. Mlle Prior

Year 8 French

Well done to all the Year 8s on a successful first speaking exam. The showed resilience and commitment, which is promising for the rest of the year.

Bravo! Mlle Prior





Senior School News

1/2 term football report

Well done to all the boys right the way through from Year 3-8 that have all played football for the school this term. It has been one of the best half terms I can remember in terms of results and all the boys have done THS proud.

The U10 A team continued their fantastic and unbeaten season with a super 2-1 win against Eaton House on Tuesday. Not to be outdone both other teams also won with two fabulous 3-1 victories. On Wednesday the U11 A team started off brilliantly against Eaton House to lead at half time but against a really strong opposition they couldn't maintain

the pace and were eventual narrow losers. The other two teams also fought valiantly in defeat on tricky pitches to play the THS passing game and in blustery conditions; it was a tough afternoon for the Year 6 boys.

Plenty more football fixtures to come after half term and we are looking forward to plenty more fantastic results. MrP



FOUND ON THE GAMES FIELD

Home Economics

Year 8 were tasked with having a go at creating pesto at home last weekend. Well done all who had a go! They looked delicious!









NOTICES

Hounslow and Richmond Community Healthcare

Did your child miss their nasal flu vaccination?

If so, we are running community clinics that you can bring your child to:

Tuesday 25th October- 09:30- 13:00 Crane Community Centre 56 Meadway Twickenham TW2 6PQ

Wednesday 26th October- 09:30- 13:00 Southborough High School Hook Road Surbiton KT6 5AS

http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu

For any queries, please call us on 020-3691-1027 or 020-3691-1042

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 8th

**Year 8 Practice Mock CE exams-New Hall; School lunches as normal

Wednesday 9th

**Year 8 Practice Mock CE exams-New Hall; School lunches as normal

• 8.40: Year 3 & 4 Trip to Butser Farm - Please bring waterproofs and a packed lunch

Thursday 10th

**Year 8 Practice Mock CE exams-New Hall; School lunches as normal

• 9.45: Year 2 Holly Lodge Trip - Please bring waterproofs

Friday 11th

**Year 8 Practice Mock CE exams-New Hall; School lunches as normal

- 9.00: Reception Forest School as normal
- 10.30: Whole school Remembrance Day Assembly



Proxima

The eagerly anticipated Senior Drama production is set for release. If you haven't heard (where have you been), it is a two-hour feature film - starring THS pupils. Written, directed, filmed and edited by the one and only Mr Geary - you know it is going to be good! This will be shown in the new Multi-purpose Hall (much more fun than exams) on 24th and 26th November. Book your tickets now (£15 each) via <u>www.foth.org.uk</u>

Have a lovely Holiday!

Mr Gregory Evans, Headmaster