

Dear Parents/Carers,

The TKA Art show at Kingston College this week was an impressive display of our History Makers' talent. Ms Linch organised pupil curators to co-ordinate a thoroughly professional exhibition and the pupils' pride was clearly evident. My thanks go to Ms Linch and her team for setting such a high standard in this first year.

We have introduced a GPA—grade point average—to our assessment and reporting system; this is the average of the last three grades. The most recent one is likely to be the most accurate, so it's double weighted. The GPA will be a number with a decimal because they have been divided by four. It won't be appearing on the A5 report but on the tutor report which will allow tutors to have conversations with their tutees about which subjects may need improving to show more consistency. Our Flight Path system is flexible and will allow for annual reviews in order for them to be adjusted so they remain challenging, yet realistic. We hope this system is clear and transparent in order that you are kept fully informed regarding your child's progress.

May I remind parents that lessons will be going on as normal right up until the last day of term. Our camp is obviously an end of year celebration, however our expectations remain the same in order that both staff and pupils are able to enjoy these last few days of term in a safe and fulfilling way.

Enjoy the weekend

Kind regards,

Sophie Cavanagh.



This
week's
TKA school
lottery
winner is:
Lisa Jolly.

School Camp—please drop pupils off by 9.45am at the Hawker Centre on Tuesday 5th July. We will be returning to Hawker at approximately 1pm on Friday 8th July.

Welcome to the TKA team!



We were delighted to meet members of our new team for an Induction day on Friday and we look forward to working with them next year.



UKMT Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the 25 pupils who were successful in the UK Maths Challenge. A special mention to Alistair (pictured left with Mr Deveson) who won the Gold award and is now eligible to go through to the next round.





Spotlight on STEM



Although girls enjoy, participate and achieve in Science just



as much as boys, the **proportion of girls taking Physics at A level has remained**

stubbornly low, despite many initiatives to address the problem. Around 50% of state schools in England and Wales have **no girls taking Physics A levels, a lamentable statistic.**

At TKA we are trying to reverse this trend by increasing awareness of the incredibly wide range of STEM careers. Earlier in the term, **Alex Farrer (Science Consultant for Achieving for Children) delivered an engaging workshop for TKA girls** in which they completed a personality test and then matched up their results to possible STEM jobs. Alex Farrer then ran a successful evening workshop on Monday 20th June for TKA girls and significant females in their lives. Research shows that **significant females in girls' lives play a particularly influential role in career decisions** that girls make. Both workshops form part of an initiative called 'People Like Me', which has been designed by Women in Science and Engineering, an organisation whose remit is to increase participation by women in these fields.

Dr Keaney.



CRICKET VICTORY!

Last Wednesday we beat Hollyfield in some challenging muddy conditions, especially for Mr Byrne who fell right in the mud! Our victory was achieved by 1 run with 4 overs to play. There was strong bowling from Noah, Connor C and Nick. Thomas B was a fantastic wicket keeper, despite having not taken this role before. Man of the Match was Connor C.

We do need to work on our bowling because there were too many wides and byes which allowed the opposition to rack up far too many runs!

We look forward to the next match.

By Connor C and Thomas B

(TKA sports reporters)

Green Day last week collected 4.5kg of landfill and 3.1kg of recyclable waste. With 8% of recyclable waste being contaminated and contributing to landfill, this does beg the question of what is being thrown away each day and why so much food waste is generated? As we move into the new building our use of reducing and recycling will need to improve and our Aspire-SMART programme will continue to support this.

Mr Sheppard

Friends of TKA news

The results of the water bottle charity collection are:

Curie £218.46

Hawking £131.17

Lovelace £109.26

Berners Lee £84.87



...giving us a grand total of: **£543.76!!!**

Although Curie and Hawking had a similar number of bottles, a lot of the Curie one's were filled with silver instead of coppers!

Many thanks for all your generosity

Mrs H Wardell (Friends of TKA)

IMPORTANT dates for Summer term

Tuesday 5th– Friday 8th July—Summer Camp, Bentley Copse, Surrey.

Friday 15th July—Last day of summer term

Autumn Term 1

Monday 5th September—Pupils return to school.

Thursday 15th September—FoTKA celebration evening (changed from Weds 13th July)