



**The Hollyfield School e-bulletin**  
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“Pupils’ behaviour is exemplary, and they demonstrate exceptional attitudes to learning” Ofsted 2025

**Head’s line...**

Dear Hollyfield Community

I hope you are all enjoying the sunshine.

We have had another busy week at school, well done to our Year 12 students who have been completing their mock exams in lessons and of course to our Year 11 students who continue with their GCSE exams in practical subjects this week. We know that they are working incredibly hard. Many thanks to all of the parents who joined the Year 8 online parents’ evening last night. Our key stage four students are away on their DofE expedition this weekend, it looks like they’ll have great weather which will certainly make for an excellent weekend.

On Monday 27 April, students from Year 9-11 who are part of the school’s ILEX Theatre Company will take part in a full day of drama at The Lyric, Hammersmith, as part of The National Theatre Connections Festival. They will work with industry professionals, who will lead workshops, technical and dress rehearsals ahead of a final performance of *Britney’s Lock* at 6pm. Our team will be joined for the day by a director from The National Theatre, who came to see our home performance and gave the students and staff some really positive, encouraging notes. If you’d like to support our students, you can book tickets for £5 via the theatre’s website, using this link: [NT Connections Festival 2026: Britney’s Lock - Lyric Hammersmith](#).

For those parents looking to buy new uniform for the next academic year, or indeed those new parents to the school with Year 6 pupils joining us in September, you can find information on page 3 about Stevensons, our uniform supplier, regarding ordering online or making an appointment to visit in store. Current price lists are available on our website.

**Upcoming Events**

**Year 10 parents’ evening** (in person) is on 7 May, appointments can be booked from 23 April [here](#). Further details will be sent nearer the time. On 30 April we have our Year 12 UCAS & Apprenticeship Parents’ Information evening, details have been sent to parents/carers.

**Year 11 Record of Achievement/Early closure – 22 May**

Just a reminder that Year 11 parents will have received information about our Record for Achievement Ceremony on 22 May, this is a wonderful event where we celebrate the achievements of our Year 11 students and their time with us. Please do not forget to book your tickets – further information can be found [here](#). As is customary **school will close early on 22 May for all students except Year 11 to enable preparations for the event, students will be dismissed from 12.00pm.**

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

**Amy Jackson, Headteacher**



**Term Dates**

**Autumn Term 2025**

1 September to 19 December  
 (Inset Day – 1-2 Sept, 6-7 Nov & 5 Dec)

**Half Term**

27 October - 7 November

**Christmas Holiday**

22 December - 2 January 2026

**Spring Term 2026**

5 January – 27 March  
 (Inset Day – 23 Feb)

**Half Term**

16-20 February (see above)

**Easter Holiday**

30 March – 10 April (Bank Hol 3 & 5 Apr)

**Summer Term 2026**

13 April – 17 July (Bank Hol 4 & 25 May)

**Half Term**

25 - 29 May

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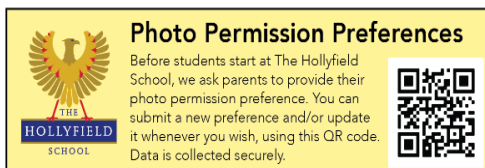
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- 27/4 – National Theatre Festival
- 28-30/4 – A Level Art Exam
- 28/4–14/5 – Y11 Photography Exam
- 29/4 – Y7 & 8 Junior Maths challenge
- 30/4-MFL Community Language Exams
- 30/4–Y12 UCAS & Apprenticeship Parents’ Evening

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“Pupils achieve very well in their examinations. This is because the school delivers an ambitious and balanced curriculum, underpinned by the highest expectations for all pupils. This includes the popular and successful sixth form“ Ofsted 2025

## OTHER NOTICES



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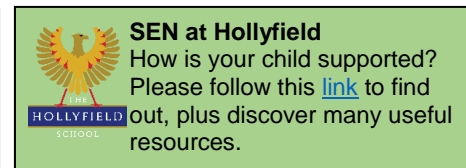
Before students start at The Hollyfield School, we ask parents to provide their photo permission preference. You can submit a new preference and/or update it whenever you wish, using this QR code. Data is collected securely.



**Free School Meals**

**Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?**

A small percentage of eligible students do not claim them. We email parents frequently to let them know. During the term, eligible students can claim a nutritious hot meal, drink or delicious dessert every day. If they are entitled, make sure your child is claiming theirs. If you need further assistance, please contact us.



**SEN at Hollyfield**

How is your child supported? Please follow this [link](#) to find out, plus discover many useful resources.

### Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line - 0208 339 4518 preferably before 8.30am on the morning of your child's absence from school. Please leave their name, spelling out any unusual names, year group and the reason for their absence and your details. Alternatively, you can email the school [attendance@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk).

### Valuables in school

The school policy and guidance with regard to pupil possessions is clear that they are brought into school at their own risk. The Hollyfield School does not accept liability for any items that may be lost, damaged or stolen. While theft is taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, the school is not in a position to cover the cost of any item stolen.

Of course, with respect to the last point, steps and measures are put in place to mitigate against such circumstances, especially during PE and Games lessons, where pupils' items are locked in the changing rooms. While this is standard procedure, there may be some extenuating circumstances where this cannot always be guaranteed. Therefore, I would urge your son/daughter not to bring expensive items into school.

### Medical Condition(s) and Individual Healthcare Plans

Can we please request that you complete the following [medical information collection form](#) if your child has any medical conditions, no matter how small. If your child has a new diagnosis we ask you to also complete this form even if you have already done so for a different medical condition to ensure we have the most up-to-date information. Once complete, this will form part of your child's Individual Healthcare Plan which will be sent to you for approval, the communication will come from [noreply@medicaltracker.co.uk](mailto:noreply@medicaltracker.co.uk). Please allow emails from this address.

### Changed your address/email/phone number????

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on [office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk) stating your child's name and form and the change of details. It is important to keep these details up to date in case of an emergency. Don't forget to update your Parentmail account with your new details.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle with them to school every day, it is even more important during hot weather. Our water fountains can be used to refill bottles as necessary during break and lunch, it is not possible to drink from the fountains direct and we do not have bottles or cups to give out to students. Alternatively, bottles of water can be purchased (and refilled) in the cafeteria, please ensure your Parentmail account has enough funds to enable this.

### Surbiton Hill Road Entrance for cars

If you drive/collect students to or from school the visitor's car park/Surbiton Hill Road entrance **should not be used to drop off students**. This causes congestion for people entering the site and staff access, cars travelling on Surbiton Hill Road and is potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

### Dinner Money Top Up

Please ensure funds are available 24 hours before they are required when topping up your child's dinner money on Parentmail. If you add funds on the day they are to be used we will not be able to see the credit instantly until the system has processed it, therefore creating a delay in your child buying food at the canteen.

### Contribution to the School Fund

#### Standing Order Contributions to School Fund

If you already donate to the school by standing order, please consider setting up a direct debit donation on our new platform Enthuse and cancelling your current standing order with your bank. This will maximise your donation as gift aid will be claimed automatically, and reduces administration time for the school. Links to the Enthuse donation platform for both Main School and 6<sup>th</sup> form can be found [here](#).

All contributions received are very much appreciated and directly benefit all students within the school. We value each and every pound donated to provide a better education experience for our students.

If you would like to help contribute to the school fund to provide additional facilities to the school and students, please click [here](#) for more information. We acknowledge that not all of our parents can make a commitment on a monthly basis. Having listened to those parents we also understand that some would like to make a contribution whenever they can. A donation payment link is available in your ParentMail account. We are grateful for any contribution you can make, regardless of the amount. Every penny will be spent improving students' experiences. Like the monthly contributions, your donation will go into the school fund. It will be used in accordance with the guidance given to schools regarding parental contributions.

### Open Door

Ms Jackson holds Parent Clinics on Thursday afternoon during term time. These are from 3.00pm-4.30pm for parents/carers to speak directly to her regarding any unresolved concerns/ suggestions. Please contact Louise Sutton to arrange an appointment on 0208 339 4500 or email [lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk).

# STEVENSONS

## Summer Shopping

Your uniform is supplied through our  
*Twickenham Branch*

### Address:

1-15 Heath Road,  
Twickenham, Middlesex,  
TW1 4DB

### Contact:

[twickenhambranch@stevensonsschool.co.uk](mailto:twickenhambranch@stevensonsschool.co.uk)

Please note we are a cashless branch.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:30am - 5pm  
Tuesday: 9:30am - 5pm  
Wednesday: Closed  
Thursday: Closed  
Friday: 9:30am - 5pm  
Saturday: 9:30am - 5pm  
Sunday: Closed

### Online

Shopping online at [www.stevensonsschool.co.uk](http://www.stevensonsschool.co.uk) is easy!

You can select home delivery or opt for convenience: Click & Collect from your local store.

Our in-stock items are typically dispatched within 48 hours.  
Plus, with our 365-day return policy, you can shop with confidence knowing that returns are hassle-free.

### In Store Opening Hours

Will be open for pre-booked fitting appointments from Monday 20th July - Friday 21st August.

We recommend booking a fitting appointment so we can offer you dedicated one-to-one service during the summer period.

Walk-in customers are welcome. Saturdays are a great option for visiting without an appointment, and our team will assist you as soon as they are available.

Please visit our website to check extended opening hours over the summer.



## SAFE HANDS/PASTORAL SUPPORT

Once again, for your information, the key contacts are:

School - Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

Ms Patel: [spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk)

Mr Buckman: [nbuckman@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:nbuckman@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk)

Single Point of Access 020 8547 5008.



[Click here to view workshops and book](#)

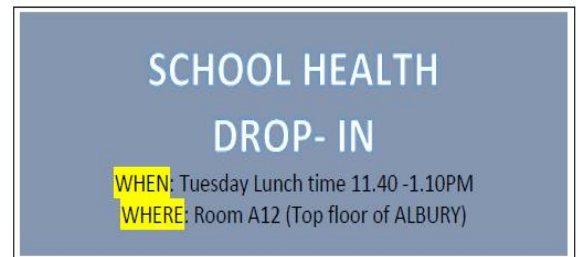
### Balancing the Energy Books

There is no question that there are greater demands placed on students within mainstream secondary schools compared to primary. Lesson pace, sensory overload, academic pressure, personal accountability and social masking can take a heavy toll on many young people with additional needs causing them to become exhausted and unable to contribute to activities or basic activities at home.

Spoon Theory, created by Christine Miserandino, aims to contextualise our personal energy usage that we need to get through each day. What may take one 'spoon of energy' for a neurotypical individual, such as taking public transport or getting ready in the morning, may take a neurodiverse person two or three 'spoons' leading to a deficit at the end of the day.

Spoon Theory aims to identify the major energy draining activities but most importantly, the activities that can be implemented to refill their reserve throughout the day, leading to improved energy management and resilience.

[Link to find out more.](#)



Come along for a **CONFIDENTIAL** chat with your School Health Practitioner about anything that is worrying you....





# HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS



save the date  
**Saturday 4 July 2026**

**HOLLYFEST**

Be part of the team that makes it happen! Volunteers **NEEDED!**

[CLICK HERE](#) for info on our Lead Roles

Come along to our next PTA meeting to find out more. Help make this amazing event come to life!

**Tuesday 21.04.26, 7pm**  
**Location TBC**



[CLICK HERE](#) for info on our Lead Roles Hollyfest

Next meeting: Tuesday 19th May (venue TBC)

## 🏃 London Marathon 2026 🏃

This Sunday, (26 April 2026) Jack will be taking on the 26.2-mile London Marathon to raise vital funds for Hollyfield School. As a reminder, Jack is the son of Maggie Bailey, a former Hollyfield Headteacher and our Trust's first CEO. He is excited to represent Hollyfield's rich history and community spirit by participating in this amazing event, all while raising much-needed funds for our wonderful school.

Every pound raised from this marathon goes directly into the PTA fund to enhance our school's provisions and facilities. If you haven't had a chance to donate yet, there is still time to show your support and leave a cheering message for race day! Please follow the link below:

👉 [Hollyfield PTA London Marathon 2026](#)

Thank you so much to everyone who has already donated. Your generosity truly makes a difference in the daily lives of our children.



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@TheHollyfieldSchoolPTA



ptahollyfield@gmail.com



[www.hollyfieldpta.org](http://www.hollyfieldpta.org)

## ★ Join the PTA ★

We are a group of parent and carer volunteers creating fun and fundraising events that directly benefit the school. Our meetings usually take place on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting is **Tuesday 21st April**. Get Involved:

- Volunteer your time 🕒 at events and stalls.
- Attend PTA events 🎉 — fun and fundraising combined!
- Come to monthly meetings 📅 (usually the 3rd Tuesday).
- Stay updated via:



Get Regular Updates [Join the WhatsApp Community](#) for the PTA



Follow us on Instagram [@hollyfield\\_pta](#) for the latest news



Drop us an email [ptahollyfield@gmail.com](mailto:ptahollyfield@gmail.com) to find out more

## 📺 Register for Easy Fundraising before starting your online shopping and raise money for Hollyfield School 📺

Please support The Hollyfield School PTA - Surbiton on #easyfundraising, you'll raise FREE donations for us with your everyday shopping.

This is a really simple way to help raise funds for the PTA in order to support the school and students. Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Follow this link to register and start raising some much needed funding : Select The Hollyfield School PTA, Surbiton: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1>

## ✿ Supporting Our School Through Sherpa Tutors ✿

*[Please note: Hollyfield School is not affiliated to and does not endorse any specific tutor service, nor can we quality assure their services.]*

We're pleased to share that our PTA has partnered with [Sherpa Tutors](#) as part of their fundraising programme, giving families a simple way to support our school.

When parents register using our referral link, the PTA earns **£5 for every lesson completed** by a student, up to **£100 per family**. These funds are donated directly to the PTA and help support activities, resources, and events for our children.

By taking part, families can benefit from additional learning support while helping to raise valuable funds for our school community.

To join and support the PTA, please [sign up here](#). Thank you for your continued support.



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# THIS WEEK.....




## TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 95.90%.  
The top form group within each year this week is:

7GKU= 97.19%  
8RAL = 97.93%  
9PTA = 99.06%  
10DMI = 97.58%  
11JLU = 96.79%

Well done to all these students, keep up the excellent work.

## HOUSE POINTS

	 <b>Eagle</b>	 <b>Falcon</b>	 <b>Osprey</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	9229	9386	11238
<b>Year 8</b>	9008	9499	6705
<b>Year 9</b>	9087	8569	9665
<b>Year 10</b>	5332	5933	8131
<b>Year 11</b>	2498	4591	2654
<b>Total</b>	<b>35154</b>	<b>37978</b>	<b>38393</b>

## NEXT WEEK

<b>Monday 27 April</b>	Year 11 Interventions – (All Week) Year 11 Assembly (ROA) – Dining Hall Year 12 Assembly - Common Room Year 11 Level 2 BTEC Media Exam (8.30am-12.30pm) Year 11 GCSE PE Moderation Exam
<b>Tuesday 28 April</b>	Illex Theatre at Hammersmith Lyric – Britney's Lock Year 7 Assembly (Exam Practice Line Up) – Top Playground Year 13 Assembly – Common Room Year 11 GCSE Photography Practical Exam A Level Art Practical Exam
<b>Wednesday 29 April</b>	Year 8 Assembly (Exam Practice Line Up) – Top Playground A Level Art Practical Exam Year 11 GCSE Photography Practical Exam
<b>Thursday 30 April</b>	Year 7 & 8 UKMT Maths Challenge Year 9 Assembly (Exam Practice Line Up) – Top Playground A Level Art Practical Exam Year 11 GCSE Photography Practical Exam MFL Community Language Exams
<b>Friday 1 May</b>	Year 12 UCAS & Apprenticeship Parents' Information Evening 6-7pm Year 10 -11 House Assemblies – Online Year 11 Passport Assembly (Dining Hall) (2.05-2.55pm) Year 11 GCSE Photography Practical Exam Year 12 Government & Politics Trip

## FORTHCOMING DATES

27 April – PE GCSE Moderation Exam  
 27/4 – National Theatre Festival  
 28-30 April – A Level Art Exam  
 28 April – 14 May – Year 11 Photography Exam  
 29 April – Year 7 & 8 Junior Maths challenge  
 30 April - MFL Community Language Exams  
 30 April – Year 12 UCAS & Apprenticeship Parents' Evening  
 1 May – Year 12 Government & Politics Trip (City Hall)  
**4 May – Bank Holiday**  
 5 May – Year 11 Coursework Deadline  
 6 May – EPQ Moderation (3-5pm)  
 5-7 May – A Level Product Design Exam  
 5-7 May - Year 11 & 13 Photography Moderation  
 5-23 May – Year 7-9 End of Year Assessments  
 7 May - Year 10 Parent Consultation evening  
 12 May – GCE Coursework Deadline  
 15 May – Year 13 Report emailed to parents  
 15-17 May – Netball Tour  
 17 May- Year 8 HPV Vaccinations  
 18-19 May – Year 6 Informal Meeting (4.00-7.00pm)  
 20 May – Year 7-10 & 12 Inspiring Girls in STEM: X-Tra Factor Workshop  
**22 May – Early Closure from 12.00pm (Year 7-10, 12-13)**  
 22 May – Year 12 Report Emailed Home  
 22 May – Year 11 Celebration event

### 25-29 May 2026 – Half Term

## ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

Achievement and behaviour points are awarded every day at Hollyfield in line with our school policy and are a fundamental part of school life. We want students to be the best versions of themselves and we explicitly teach the behaviour we want our young people to develop through our GO BIG character virtues (Good Communication / Organisation / Bouncebackability/Initiative/Gratitude). Students are therefore rewarded for when they demonstrate these character virtues either in class, around our school environment and even outside of school. The school also gives out termly prizes for great progress, engagement in learning, attendance and also contribution to school life. We also continually try to celebrate the successes of our students outside of school life and encourage all students to be proud of their successes in whatever area they come from.

Behaviour points are given to students in line with our behaviour policy. At the heart of our behaviour policy is restorative approaches which is a strategy the school uses to allow students to discuss their behaviours with one another and also key staff and to move past incidents in a non-judgemental way.

Both of the school's rewards and behaviour policies can be found on the school website and if you have any questions about them please don't hesitate to contact Miss Patel (Assistant Headteacher).

The year group weekly totals are below:

**Year 7** 851 **Year 8** 490 **Year 9** 572 **Year 10** 581 **Year 11** 165

The top performing forms per year group in terms of overall achievements were:

**7EBE** 198 **8RCL** 105 **9PTA** 174 **10DMI** 147 **11HBL** 105

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Arran S

Year 9 Eva S

Year 11 Freddy E

Year 8 Edward B

Year 10 Shanmitha Reddy Y

## TEACHING & LEARNING



## GETTING TO KNOW.....

### Computing Department

#### Mrs Assam

Mrs Assam, a dedicated and accomplished professional, has been an integral part of Hollyfield School for a remarkable 20 years. Her journey began in Pennsylvania, USA, where she obtained a Computer Science degree and excelled as a programmer. However, driven by a passion for education, she made the bold decision to transition into teaching. In 2005, Mrs. Assam joined Hollyfield School as an IT teacher, contributing her expertise and nurturing the minds of countless students. Recognising her exceptional skills, she was appointed as the Head of the Computing Department in 2013, coinciding with the introduction of the Computer Science curriculum. Building on her success, Mrs. Assam assumed the role of Head of the IT & Business Faculty in 2020, showcasing her versatility and leadership qualities.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Mrs. Assam's vibrant personality shines through her diverse interests. She finds joy in Latin Jazz Music, embracing its rhythms. Additionally, she channels her passion for nature through her love for gardening, tending to vibrant blooms with unwavering dedication. Mrs. Assam also has a deep appreciation for the great outdoors and the serene beauty of the sea, often seeking solace and inspiration in their presence. Her love for hot weather complements her active lifestyle, as she enthusiastically participates in Zumba classes, staying energised and vibrant. Furthermore, Mrs. Assam is a keen gardener, spending most of the Spring/Summer evenings outdoors in her garden.

#### Mr Blakley

Mr Blakley's journey at Hollyfield School is a testament to his unwavering commitment to education and his multifaceted talents. As a student, he embarked on his educational

voyage from Year 7 to 13 within the halls of Hollyfield. Afterward, he ventured to university to pursue his passion for Web Development and Design, gaining invaluable skills in the field. Eager to contribute to his previous school, Mr Blakley returned to Hollyfield as an IT Technician, dedicating almost four years to supporting the school's technological infrastructure.

Driven by a desire to inspire young minds, Mr Blakley pursued a PGCE at King's College London. Returning to Hollyfield as a PGCE student, he has since established himself as a respected Computing Teacher and the esteemed Head of Year 7 & 8. His extensive knowledge and expertise in the field allow him to guide and mentor students effectively. Beyond his role as an educator, Mr Blakley is a qualified gymnastics coach, specialising in elite acrobatic gymnastics outside of school hours. His commitment to physical fitness and nurturing young talents extends beyond the classroom. Furthermore, his passion for innovation led him to pursue training and achieve the distinction of being a Raspberry Pi Certified Educator, amplifying his ability to integrate technology into his teaching practices. Mr Blakley's dedication to holistic education and his diverse skill set make him an invaluable asset to the Hollyfield School community.

## CAREERS



### Careers Briefing 24 April 2026 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team @Hollyfield)

#### Careers Meetings in the summer term

All of Year 11 should have had a careers meeting by now but if there are any students who still would like to talk through their choices for next year just contact Mr Poole. The Careers team is now beginning to focus on meeting with Year 10 and Year 12 students. Careers Meetings are available from Monday to Thursday and students can make an appointment in a number of ways. Students can speak to their Form Tutor, Head of Year or sign up on the appointment sheet which is on the door of the careers room which is Albury next to A10.

If parents/carers have any questions about the process email Mr. Poole the Careers Coordinator [ipoole@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:ipoole@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk)



**If you are in year 11, there's still time to apply to colleges. If you are in year 10 you might be starting to look into the range of options available.**

The summer term is a good time to start considering post 16 options and there are a range of option days coming up.

- **Hollyfield sixth form** have their open day in November and offer a range of A Level and BTEC Level 3 courses you can choose from.
- **Kingston College** - Friday 19 June 11am-1pm (for year 11s) and more in the Autumn Term
- **NESCOT** - Weds 13 May 4.30-7.30pm
- **Esher College** - open event - Weds 8th July 4-8pm - there is only one per year and applications are early - see their website for more details
- **Guildford or Merrist Wood College** for construction, animal care, Landbase and many other courses : Merrist Wood College: Wednesday, May 6, 2026 from 4:30 pm

to 7 pm Guildford College: Guildford College Wednesday, Apr 22, 2026 from 4:30 pm to 7 pm

- **Chessington sixth form also offers courses in Childcare and Sports.** This is a smaller provision but offers excellent support and small classes. The Childcare students work in the Nursery at the school, gaining fantastic experience. The sports academies include football, basketball, and Sports Coaching. Find out more: [Sixth Form](#).



**Richmond upon Thames College**

**Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham)** - Open event Tues 16th June 4-7pm. At this event learners will be able to: Speak to our teachers, Have a tour of the College, Meet our Principal and Speak to our IAG and Careers team to discuss options which are available for post 16 study. Both Year 10 and

Year 11 students are very welcome to attend this event and you can book: [Click here to book your visit](#)

**NEW COURSE ALERT! Patisserie Course available for 2026/27** We have added a Level 3 Patisserie course to our course offer for the 2026/27 academic year. If you wish to see more information about the course or have a learner who wishes to apply for it, they can do so via this link: [7133-03 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Professional Cookery - Patisserie and Confectionary \(C3DPPF\) | Richmond Upon Thames College](#)



### **Careers opportunities bulletin and work experience**

We encourage sixth form students, parents and carers to access our **weekly Careers Opportunities bulletin**. All of these opportunities allow students to explore their ideas and look great on uni or apprenticeship applications. Students and parents/carers can access this here: [HF Careers opportunities bulletin 24/04/26](#)  
This includes;

- **Work experience**
- **Careers talks**
- **University open days/tasters**
- **Apprenticeships**
- **Unifrog resources and events**
- **and much more**

**Students in Year 12 will do a work experience placement in the last week of the summer term - 13- 17 July**, so students should be looking for placements now for that week, and once confirmed, it needs to be recorded on the Unifrog placements tool.



**Apprenticeships**

For some students the idea of going out to work is an attractive option and apprenticeships are available from 16, 18, 21 in fact any age up until 65! If students are interested in following this route, this is the right time to start searching for opportunities and making

applications. Students, parents and carers can look at the [Find an apprenticeship](#) website and look for jobs that will start in Sept 2026. If you are not sure how to apply, speak to Mr Poole.

## Way2Work Apprenticeships June Open Day 2026

Friday, Jun 19, 2026 from 1 pm to 2 pm

Guildhall, Kingston upon Thames KT1 1EU

Come join us in person for the Way2Work Apprenticeships June Open Day 2026. It's the perfect chance to explore exciting apprenticeship opportunities, chat with experts, and get all your questions answered. Whether you're just starting out or looking to take the next step, this event is for you! Don't miss out on discovering your future career path in a friendly and casual setting. We offer **Business Administration, Customer Service, Early Years, Playworker and Teaching Assistant apprenticeships**. See you there! Sign up:

[Way2Work Apprenticeships June Open Day 2026](#)



### Parents/Carers

[Talking Futures](#) is a great resource to inform parents and carers about the options available to their children. It has conversation starters, info about the range of options, which include technical qualifications, apprenticeships and more. It is a really good starting point to find out more about what their children can do in this ever-

changing education landscape.

[NEXT STEPS LONDON](#), which is a collection of guides designed to support young people, parents, and educators as they explore future career pathways across the capital. These resources aim to spark meaningful conversations, build confidence, and provide practical tools for navigating the next stage of the career journey.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Links to Useful Information

[Term Dates](#)

[Uniform List](#)

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#)

[Severe Weather Procedure](#)

[Form Tutor List](#)

[The School Day Times](#)

[Student well-being and safety](#)

[Donation to School Fund](#)

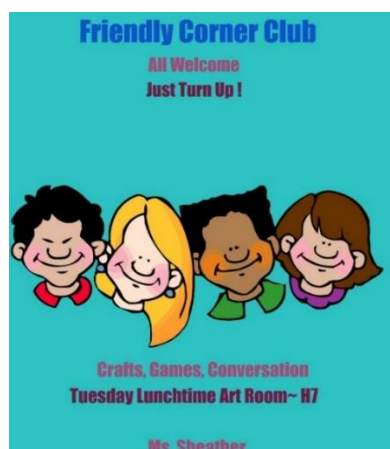
[Key Dates](#)

[Menus](#)

[Staff List and Structure](#)

Important reminders for PE clubs:

- students receive 1 achievement point for attending
- clubs are free and no pre sign is required
- clubs at the school field will have a coach to drop them off and pick them up or students can make their own way home using public transport
- PE kit is not required for clubs during lunchtime
- For after school clubs, students should bring PE kit to get changed after 3.05pm unless they are already wearing their PE kit for their PE lesson that day
- If a student has a repair, they need to attend the repair as the priority.



Relaxing Lunchtime Club on Tuesday for Arts, Crafts, games and friendly conversation in the upstairs Art Room- H7.

The theme of Spring time this term is to create your own Bird Art and Spring themed decorated Masks, as well as relaxing colouring, painting and games.

All are welcome!

### **Resilience in Children**

If you are interested in further reading around building resilience in children this article is worth a read.

<https://cmom.org/press/the-british-psychological-society-five-ways-to-boost-resilience-in-children/>

## **LOCAL INFORMATION**

### **Kooth**

Kooth is an online crisis messenger service that Children and young people can access for free online mental health support with a professional counsellor - [www.Kooth.com](http://www.Kooth.com).

### **Mental Health Resource sites**

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom. Email [RachelDykens@mindinkingston.org.uk](mailto:RachelDykens@mindinkingston.org.uk) for details.
- Childline: [information and advice](#) on a range of topics including feelings, relationships, family and schools. Childline is there to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. Call: [0800 1111](tel:08001111).
- Anna Freud Centre: 90 resources and strategies <https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/>.
- Samaritans: Samaritans a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way, about whatever's getting to you. Call: [116 123](tel:116123).
- Shout - Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to [85258](tel:85258).
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: We are a team of highly-trained, female advisers. We won't judge you or tell you what to do; we are here to listen. Call: [0808 2000 247](tel:08082000247)/online chat.

### **Information for adults**

Young Minds - Parents Helpline - Worried about a child or young person's behaviour or mental health? Call the free helpline for confidential, expert advice. For more information visit: [www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/](http://www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/). Call 0808 802 5544.

## **LOCAL SERVICES**

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Click [here](#) to view organisations who offer a range of services to local families.