Grey Court School

23 September 2022

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Cover photo: Teddie walking with one of students



Teddie pays a visit

Teddie popped into school today to help out with wellbeing and restorative work. It's lovely to see the children interacting with her. Visit again soon!!



The Notice Board

School Calendar 22-23 Term dates 23-24 Term dates Events

<mark>The Uniform Shop</mark> Open Thursdays 3pm to 4pm

PA Appeal GoFundMe Digital Screens for Science



from 7:45am to 8:15am

School Menus Breakfast Club Weekly

easyfundraising feel good shopping

Thank you to everyone for raising money for Grey Court Education Fund with #easyfundraising! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely **FREE**.

7,100 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us, so please **sign up** & share today.

Sports' Timetable



ExtraCurricular Club Timetable



Diarise Activity Day 14 October Information



Community Languages GCSE



If your child can speak another language at a native level (speaking, listening, reading and writing) please can you email me at:

shandzar-maldonado@greycourt.org.uk

with your child's name(s) and the language they wish to sit the exam in, or alternatively direct your child to see Miss Handzar in L3 to speak to me about this. They will then be able to express their interest in completing a Community Languages GCSE this year.

The final deadline for this will be the end of this half term, Wednesday the 19 October 2022. Well done to Y7s for making such a fantastic start to their time at Grev Court. The first few weeks have gone verv quickly, and the Y7 team. along with all teachers, have been impressed with how thev have started. Thev have enioved an activity-filled induction day, which included a drama workshop and rugby team-building games, and have adapted quickly to their new surroundings and in lesson time.

I would just like to reiterate my three key tips for Y7s starting at Grey Court

Have high standards: students should make sure they are arriving at school before 8:25am, with excellent uniform. At this time of year, we start to see colds and other illnesses crop up, so it is really important that students target a minimum of 96% for attendance.

Get Organised: students by now have their timetables, books and know their wav around the school. Students should pack their bags the night before and doublecheck they have the correct equipment and whether they should be wearing PE kit. HW is set on Google classroom and should be completed on the dav it is set wherever possible. HW should be written in planners, along with any other notices, to keep on top of things. Planners should be signed each weekend by parents / carers to make sure that they are being kept up to date and in good order.

Get involved: students have been shown the sporting and non-sporting extracurriculars timetables. We want Y7s to ioin clubs. a minimum of 2 each week. This is a fantastic time to meet new friends and to broaden their horizons. Again, they can use their planners to organise their week and clubs.

If students follow these tips then they will have a great foundation to do well this year.

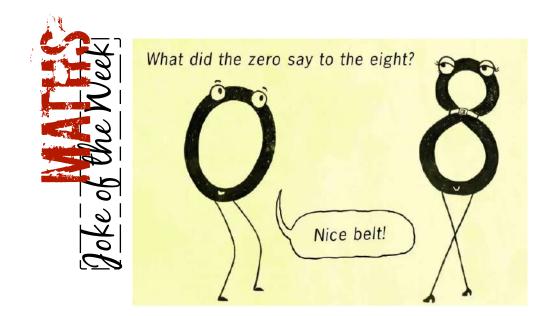




A massive shout out to the following students who have been nominated by their teachers to be this week's Maths Stars of the Week!

Keep up the fantastic work!

- Isaac Hog (7 Oak) Nominated by Ms Teague
- Oscar Black (8 Maple) Nominated by Ms Bapty
- lack Martin (8 Rowan) Nominated by Mr Khan
- Iessica Collins (8 Elm) Nominated by Mr Safoune
- Leonardo Klapakis (8 Elm) Nominated by Mr Safoune
- Tabitha Llovd (8 Aztec) Nominated by Mr Safoune
- Monty Lipton (8 Elm) Nominated by Mr Lunniss
- Jaime Ott (9 Beach) Nominated by Ms Bozzard-Hill



As well as starting as a teacher in the fantastic Social Science department at Grey Court School and Sixth Form in September 2022, I am also undertaking the challenge of running the London marathon which is due to take place on October 2nd 2022!!

I will be running the London marathon to raise awareness and money for Sarcoma UK. I have chosen to raise money for Sarcoma UK, a national charity that funds vital research and offers support for anyone affected by sarcoma cancer, and campaigns for better treatments.

To read more about why I'm running this year's London marathon and more about Sarcoma UK, please click on the links below which is my **justgiving page** and the Sarcoma UK **website.**

Thank you so much for your support!







PDW

Year 7

This week: Getting into the Grev Court Mindset - Y6 to Y7 Transition Next week: How can we deal with gossip and maintain trust in friendships?

Year 8

This week: How can vou be vour best. most healthv self? Next week: How can you help someone with allergies?

Year 9

This week: How can we be sensible in IG/Whatsapp groups/trolling? Next week: What impact does cyberbullying have?

Year 10

This week: What do coercive. abusive and controlling relationships look like? What does a safe and positive relationship look like? Next week: Why did Women's Aid get involved in Love Island?

Year 11

10

What subject

This week: What are vour Post-16 options? Next week: UniFrog and researching courses (in computer rooms)

Linau do I make

What a

Women's Aid responds to gaslighting and manipulative behaviour shown on Love Island

women's aid



SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES Agencies to Contact

GP	
Single Point of Access (SPA)	020 8547 5008 <u>Make a referral to the Single Point of Access -</u> London Borough of Richmond upon Thames
САМНЅ	020 8547 6171 <u>Kingston and Richmond Child and Adolescent</u> <u>Mental Health Service (CAMHS) - single point of</u> <u>access (SPA) (swlstg.nhs.uk</u>
AfC Emotional Health Service	AfC Website Types of therapies/Meet the therapists
Richmond & Kingston Crisis Line	0800 028 8000
Mental Health Crisis Line	Mental Health Crisis Line
Every Mind Matters	Every Mind Matters
Off The Record	Off The Record
Mind	Richmond MInd
Kooth	Kooth
Anna Freud - Child in Mind	Child in Mind
Young Minds	Young Minds

Kids with ADHD may have trouble following directions, but there are strategies for home and accommodations at school that can make it easier. Plus hear how one mom with ADHD tries to manage her son's ADHD challenges.

ADHD tips for following directions

ADHD affects executive function, making it hard for kids to follow directions and keep track of what they're doing. Here are three strategies to help your child get a task done.

Find out more



Classes are FREE of charge Heatham House, Whitton Road, TW1 1BH For more info call: 020 8288 0950

#HamYouthCentreNews by Ben Skelton

Ham Youth Centre had a very busy summer holiday running 4 weeks of activities. This included an arts week where we had skilled artists and craftspeople attending to run workshops, a sports week that included archery, ball sports, parkour,cycling and fencing then a week where we went on various trips including paddle boarding, the London Eye, Thorpe Park and Brighton Beach! With the additional FUEL funding we had we also offered nutritious meals every day particularly aimed at young people on free school meals, all thanks to Marcus Rashford!

We are now up and running with the term time programme, this includes our general drop in youth clubs for different age groups where young people help us to create a program for each term with activities they are interested in including sports, arts, music, discussions, games etc. Then also we have specific activity sessions happening including boxing, parkour, music studio and our amazing youth orchestra, where we have a selection of classical instruments young people can use free of charge.

Something we are seeing is an increasing amount of anxiety and stress among young people so we are working with charity MIND to provide a weekly support group where young people can come and talk about the issues they are facing and learn techniques to help them deal with these challenges.

In our experience a youth club is a brilliant place for young people to build resilience and improve their emotional well-being. It gives them a safe space where they can make friends, socialise with people their age, talk to our friendly staff and explore their identity as they develop into adulthood. In an age where many young people are glued to their screens and stuck in their bedrooms we provide a vital service to get young people outside, motivated and socialising!

We are also working towards the design of the exciting new centre we hope to have within the next couple of years as part of the Ham Close regeneration and are ensuring that young people are an essential part of the decision making process and that their views are taken into account.

Ham youth centre is open every evening after school and most school holidays. Please check our <u>website</u>, Facebook and Instagram pages for more information. All our activities are free!

"In an age where many young people are glued to their screens and stuck in their bedrooms we provide a vital service to ge young people outside, motivated and socialising!"

VPA ORCHESTRA Grey Court Players

Wednesday 3pm - 4pm MUA



Scan the QR code to sign up or Just come along

STARS OF THE WEEK

English Literature

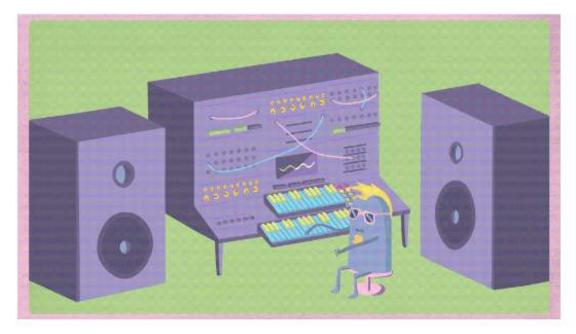
Y7 Karlo Gordon (7A): Excellent engagement in classY8 Bobb Burrows (8C): Excellent engagement in classY9 Philine Zoeller (9O): Excellent progress in the subject

English Language

Y10 Ruby Greenfield (10A): Excellent engagement in class **Y11** Alfie Charman (11E): Excellent contributions

Music Tech Club

Wednesdays 3pm-4pm in the Ingenium



Learn to make music on a computer with state of the art, industry standard software. Record your own instrument, singing or rapping, and make your own beats.

NOBODY SAID IT WAS EASY ... by Mr Clements

This week, I have been privileged to witness my younger more idealistic, talented, educated, informed and altruistic colleagues Mr Gordon Walker, Ms Weston and Ms Comrie deliver expert guidance on managing 15 to 16 year olds through their GCSEs. Their advice has been informed, heartfelt, cutting edge, up-to-date and politically correct. They have exhibited the zeal of missionaries and the idealism of a generation who would have probably voted for Obama in the 2008 election...if they had been 1. American and 2. old enough to vote.

I have jealously marvelled as lines of parents clutching their mantras - artfully condensed onto 99 manicured and aesthetically pleasing Powerpoint slides have walked past me into the Autumnal dusk, secure in their idealism and ready to seamlessly guide their charges towards exam success and world domination.

However, what separates me from my youthful brethren other than age, baldness, stubble, a paunch, sciatica, memory loss and tendonitis is the fact that I have actually lived through the experience of endeavouring to guide two teenage children through their GCSE exam years. This is why I now resemble the figure in Mr Munch's iconic painting, "The Scream.

I recommended a balanced diet, they ate Haribos, I penned a schedule; they went off grid; I purchased study guides; they watched You-tube; I promoted exercise, they were subsumed by the sofa; I espoused calm, they shouted. It was not a happy time.

Moreover, rather like a veteran stunt driver who has survived working on everyone of the "Fast and Furious" franchise, I have somehow steered a course through the chicane known as "the exam years" by adopting the following collision adverse strategies:

1. Adopt a mindset where I will always be wrong and they will always be right simply because I will always be wrong and they will always be right. 2. Feed them chocolate ice cream after midnight: it has a weirdly calming effect.

3. Avoid the explicit discussion of feelings and emotions in favour of the implicit discussion of feelings and emotions via phrases like, "Arsenal played well tonight, didn't they?"

4. Surrender to the reality that only 1 in 10 of Weston/Comrie and Gordon Walker's cutting edge, exhaustively researched and theoretically water-tight strategies will even be considered, whilst only 1 in 10 of those will then be adopted.

5. Resort to bribery, cheating, gen-boat diplomacv. double-standards and Machiavellian double dealing in order to get them to adopt even ONE of Comrade Walker and Weston's recommendations.

6. Live for the moment and spend time before the exams binge watching "cobra-kai" with them.

7...and finally don't spend days silently festering about the fact that they can't possibly unload the dishwasher/feed the cat/walk the Labrapoodle or do the washing up - they simply, "Don't have the time!"

Rest assured that despite my battle weariness and post-traumatic teen exam fatigue - if they adopt some of the Fantastic three's strategies alongside my "alternative" provision, success will await and you will be paying a small fortune in reparations for tickets to The Reading festival!

"I recommended a balanced diet, they ate Haribos, I penned a schedule; they went off grid; I purchased study guides; they watched You-tube; I promoted exercise, they were subsumed by the sofa; I espoused calm, they shouted. It was not a happy time." Launched in 2015, the Performance Support Award has been created in order to recognise and encourage the achievements of young people who want to be involved backstage in theatre outside the classroom.

Participants must complete the levels in consecutive order, starting with Bronze. The final portfolio can be used by pupils as evidence of skills and experience during a university or college interview process, for example.

If you would like to be a committed member of the VPA events backstage crew and gain an award for your hard work, please email Mr Allchurch: mallchurch@greycourt.org.uk

Performance

Support

Award

Careers by Miss Corrighan

UPCOMING EVENTS Wednesday 5 October

Careers' Fair for years 11, 12 and 13 will be held on Wednesday 5 October. Students and parents/carers are invited into school to meet with people from a range of career areas and some of the local colleges (Richmond and Kingston) and universities (St Mary's and Kingston University) will be in attendance.

We are fortunate to welcome some Alumni, who will share their career paths and give advice.

Some of the sectors joining us are:

Architecture & Surveying | Army | Business, Banking & Finance | Catering & Hospitality | Charity | Creative Arts (graphics, media production, journalism, screen writing, fine art) | Engineering | Healthcare (medicine, dentistry, occupational therapy, nursing) | Law | Psychology & Human Resources | Sciences | Sports | Technology (cyber security, software)

...and more

UPCOMING EVENTS CONT.

PDW lessons for year 11s to consider their post-16 options, using the careers' programme **Unifrog** to research their ideas.

Kingston College will speak to year 11 during Monday's assembly about the range of post-options available. We want all students to be aware of all the pathways they can take to find out all about university as a post-18 option.

Open Events & Applications

It is really important for year 11 to consider a range of options. We offer impartial information, advice and guidance and the below shows the upcoming open events for some of the local colleges and Grey Court sixth form. It's important to do applications this term and be aware of any deadlines to avoid missing out.

Grey Court Sixth Form applications will be open from the end of September - more information will follow.

College/6th form	Open event - date & time
Grey Court Sixth Form	10th Nov 2022 6.30-8.30pm. Sixth form <u>Course</u> information
Kingston College	8th October 10am-1pm & 9th November 4.30-7pm <u>Events & Open Days - Kingston College</u>
Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham)	Saturday 15th October 10am-2pm & Weds 19th October 5-8pm Register on: <u>Open Events</u>
Esher College	Open day was in July. Book online for September tours <u>Esher College tours</u> (Deadline to apply for 2023 is 30th Sept)
Nescot College (Epsom)	28th September 4.30-7.30pm <u>Nescot Open Events</u> They offer animal care , construction & many more courses!
BRIT School	Thurs 29th Sept & 12th October between 2-7pm - you must book: 2-7pm <u>Brit school events BOOK ONLINE</u>
Other 6th Forms & Colleges	Check websites – usually late Sept, Oct and November
GC Careers Fair	Weds 5th October 2022 - 6.30-8pm

We like to promote a range of opportunities - **work experience. careers talks, universitv events. apprenticeships and more** that our students can access throughout their time at Grev Court. Please some of this week's highlights in the weekly opportunities bulletin: <u>23/09/2022 Sixth Form Careers opportunities</u>

SIXTHFORM

This short week has seen the Sixth Form buzzing with activity: from our first Enrichment sessions starting to the first UCAS applications being sent off. Students have been focused and seem to have adjusted well to their normal school routine. There are still some spots left on the Sixth Form ski trip to Canada. This will take place during February half-term break in 2023. If you are interested in more information, please get in touch with Mr Jacob (<u>rjacob@greycourt.org.uk</u>) before the deadline of 28 September.

I look forward to seeing parents and carers of year 12 students next week at our Parent Information Evening on the 29 September. Year 13 parents and carers had their information evening in the summer term of the last academic year, but will still receive a recorded presentation with key information next week.

Mr Bhumbla (Interim Head of Sixth Form)



Year 12

Year 12 has had another excellent week, and I continue to be impressed with the focus and commitment that students have shown in getting their folders organised, and in using their free periods and supervised study periods effectively.

This week, the PDW focus was organisation and preparedness for the year. Students will be sitting readiness assessments in all of their subjects during the fortnight commencing 3 October, so it is vital that they are on top of their work at this early stage.

This week, we have launched the 35-hour challenge. Students are expected to track all of the work that they are doing outside of lessons, over the next two weeks. In year 12, students need to do 5 hours of additional study per subject per week. The 35-hour challenge enables them to monitor exactly what they are doing, and will feed into the Academic Licence after October half-term.

On Wednesday afternoon, students took part in a finance workshop, delivered by WizeUp with Jack Petchey. They looked at budgeting, cryptocurrencies, taxation and earning extra monev. It was a really useful and informative session, and gave the students a lot to think about! Year 13 has returned from the summer break with a real sense of purpose and focus. The vast majority of pupils have made an excellent start to the year and there has been lots of complimentary feedback from teachers regarding professionalism and work ethic. The UCAS application window is now officially open and we have already had one pupil apply! Well done to Melissa Kennedy who is our star of the week for getting her application in so early.

While we are going through the UCAS process it is essential that all Year 13 students are in tutor time as it is their tutors who will support them through the UCAS process. This is the time that tutors have to work with their students on their personal statement and to write their reference - so they need to attend all sessions. The skills developed during these sessions are transferable and will aid the pupils when going through other application processes later in life.

Year 13

ENRICHMENT

Enrichment began formally this Wednesdav afternoon. with pupils taking part in various fun and developmental activities. These include knitting, board games, sports, Ham Lands volunteering, sign language, Strathmore volunteering and touch typing. It is a fantastic way for students to take a break from their studies and socialise with their peers in a way which supports their mental health and wellbeing.

Pupils have all selected an activity and will be taking part in it for the remainder of this term. with the option to swap to a different activity being presented in term 2.

Sixth Form Opportunities

Every week, we produce an opportunities bulletin for our sixth formers which shows a range of careers, work experience, university and apprenticeship opportunities. Please see this week's bulletin:

23/09/2022 Sixth Form Careers opportunities

These opportunities are great to add to their experience and help students think about the future. Some of the highlights from this week:

Brief Description

UK University and Apprenticeship Search

This Autumn London Fair is for students to choose which university or apprenticeship is right for them. This event provides attendees with the opportunity to speak to a multitude of exhibiting universities and apprenticeship providers. These include; Russell Group, red brick and modern institutions, as well as apprenticeship providers. The fair features a wide range of vital seminars including: UCAS Personal Statement & Application Advice, 'Why take an Apprenticeship', Choosing a University Course, Higher and Degree Apprenticeships and Student Finance. The event is timed to help students in Year 13 as they prepare their UCAS and apprenticeship applications. It is also ideal for Year 12s who are starting to make decisions about their post-18 education and career choices. This event is completely free to attend.

Grey Court Careers' Fair

For all year 11, 12 and 13 Students

So far we have a range of representatives confirmed from; business, finance, law, media, healthcare, construction, sciences, technology, engineering, the Army and many more to still confirm.

Link/Venu

UK University & Apprenticeship Search

To book places for our Autumn 2022 London event, please email jude@ukuniversitysearch.co.uk

Full event details (including seminar timetable) click **here**

Date

Friday 14 October

Tottenham Stadium, N17 0BX

9:30am - 2:30pm

Main hall and library

Wednesday 5 October

6:30pm - 8:00pm



Well done to the vast majority of Year 13s who are working hard on their UCAS forms. All forms should now be at a stage of finalising personal statements and adding course choices. When they are ready to submit, students will go through the 'Pay and Send' step. There is a payment of £26 (Bursary students will have this cost met from their fund). Once this step is completed, the form comes to us so we can add references and predicted grades - we then send it to UCAS.

Students who submit their forms the soonest will be rewarded with the fabulous prize of a curlywurly!

A couple of frequent errors on forms:

Student Funding should be '02 UK, Chl, IoM or EU student finance services'

Area of Permanent Residency and Student Support Arrangements should both be the borough you live in - Richmond, Kingston etc - NOT Surrey.

Year 13s should see Ms McNicol if they need any advice about choices or anything else UCAS-related.

We hope to be handing out the curlywurlys very soon.

UCAS STAR OF THE WEEK

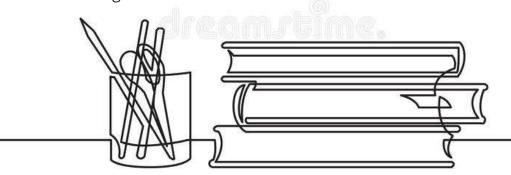
Melissa Kennedy for being the first person to submit her UCAS form this year.

Please see Mrs McNicol to claim vour curlywurly and make sure vou arrange to see vour tutor in AM reg to go through anything they neer your reference.



This week the focus is on Action Planning so that students can organise their work programme over the next six months and build in their EPQ work alongside the expectations of their three A levels. Projects have to be completed by February so that they do not interfere with final A level preparation and to allow marking and moderation time before work is sent to the exam board. Students have also been assigned their supervisors and a period in which to meet them each week. They need to make contact with their supervisor to clarify the time and place of their first meeting.

Students who have submitted second drafts of their personal statements have received additional feedback on these this week. Final drafts need to be worked on to get them ready for adding to their UCAS application next week. Students who have a pre-interview assessment have been registered for these tests and need to be working on their exam preparation.





Congratulations to **James Alleyne** and **Ben Hislop** who got into the London Irish U15's DPP programme. **Fantastic achievement!**



Well done to both our U16 bovs and airls table tennis teams who came out convincing winners in today's Borough tournament at Turing House School on Wednesday



A creat win for the U12A ruoby team in their first match as a team. Excellent commitment from all of the boys and lots of promise shown for the season ahead!

Well done to the maiority of the u12B ruaby team who were plaving their first game on Friday. 3 excellent tries and lots of positives.



The under 15 6-a-side football squad won 7 and drew 1 in their pool matches but unfortunatelv lost the final 2-1. Overall. a verv positive start to an important season.

Last Fridav the U14 netballers had a great dav at the @IPSSPORT

tournament meeting some strong opposition but getting two great wins in. Lots of progress made ahead of the netball season

Well done to our U12A football team who came out 7-2 winners at home vs St Richard Reynolds on Thursday

Last Thursday the U15 Netballers had a great afternoon at the @IPSSPORT tournament. They came across some strong opposition, but were able to take away lots of positives for the season ahead.



Well done to the U13A Netballers who played their first game of the season against @KGS_Sport. on Thursday. We are looking forward to the season ahead. MVP Honey



Indoor Cricket Sessions this Autumn/Winter

Come and try our fun, friendly indoor cricket sessions from the start of November

New to cricket or just starting out? Thursdays 5pm – 6:30pm

Or a more experienced cricketer looking for a challenge? Tuesday 7pm – 8:30pm and Thursday 6:30pm – 8pm

> Where? Grey Court School Sports Hall, TW10 7HN

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Saturday 9am - 10am

Monday Wednesday 6 - 7pm Christ 5.55pm -6.45pm RPA 5.55pm

8 - 12 year olds

Saturday 10am - 11ar

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STEM & MEDICINE WEEKEND EXPERIENCES

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR AGES 12 -18

We are delighted to offer your students career opportunities in 9 STEM & Medicine-related industries at UCL this term. The programmes are an excellent opportunity for students to test-drive a career before committing to it, and receive tailored advice from successful professionals.

Students can attend at UCL or live online. We expect to be fully-booked for our most popular programmes by 30th September so students should register as soon as possible.

VIEW & REGISTER AGES 15-18

VIEW & REGISTER AGES 12-14

SUMMER CAREER EXPERIENCES

Our Summer Experiences offer the ultimate, 360-degree experience of professional life for ages 12-18.

Shadow doctors in a London hospital, experience supercar production, trade the stock market and much much more. Summer Experiences last for up to 15 days and students can stay in UCL accommodation.

94% of our Summer 2022 students said they would recommend it to a friend. Students can register for these now at a 15% discount.

SUMMER EXPERIENCES - AGES 15-18

SUMMER EXPERIENCES - AGES 12-14















CLICK PHOTOGRAPHY @ GREY COURT

Autumn 2022 Tuesday 3.10-4.10pm Y7-9 & DofE

The Click Photography Club is a fun and exciting introduction to Photography. Students can use their own cameras or phones or use our Canon Dslrs. Click is an Approved Provider for DofE candidates

Alphabetography, Phoneography, Light Painting, Teddington Lock, Land Art, Autumn Leaves, Stop Motion, Selfies, & Ghosts

Classes begin on Tuesday 27nd Sept 2022 9 weeks Fee £85

Grey Court is keen to ensure this opportunity is open to all students. Should you wish for your child to take part but may need financial assistance, please contact Ms Price by email vprice@greycourt.org.uk'

Click Photography Workshops is run by award winning reportage photographer Philip Hollis & Sheridan Morley, former Nikon UK Fashion Photographer of the Year

Bookings @ clickphotographyworkshops.com or email clickschools@gmail.com





WHAT'S ON AT HAM YOUTH CENTRE?

WHO ARE WE?

We are a team of experienced youth workers who work with 11 to 19 year olds in Kingston and Richmond to provide fun, free and developmental activities.

WHAT WE DO

We provide young people with a safe space where they can meet their friends, talk to staff, and take part in activities. We are open after school every day of the week and also during school holidays.

WEEKLY TIME TABLE

MONDAYS

Football training 3pm to 5pm Good4Girls Youth Club 5pm to 7.15pm TUESDAYS

Junior Youth Club 3pm to 5.30pm Ham in Session: Music 3pm to 5.30pm Boxing 5pm to 6pm

Game Jam 6pm to 8pm

WEDNESDAYS

Handmade Arts Club 3.30pm to 6pm Youth Orchestra 3.30 to 5pm Senior Youth Club 5pm to 8pm

THURSDAYS

Parkour 3pm to 6pmAnxiety support group 4pm to 6pmHam in Session - Music 3pm to 5.30pm

FRIDAY

After school drop in 3pm to 5pm Bike repair workshop: 3pm to 5pm (first Friday of the month) Ham in Session - Music 3pm to 5.30pm

Ham Youth Centre, Ham Close, Ham TW10 7PL



FOOTBALL TRAINING

Open to everyone, coached by Brentford Football Club.

GOOD4GIRLS YOUTH CLUB

Exciting new project for young women where girls get sole use of the centre. Focusing on emotional wellbeing, trying new things and having fun.

JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB: Years 6 to 8 AFTER SCHOOL DROP IN: All ages SENIOR YOUTH CLUB: Years 9+

Open access youth club where young people decide on the activities offered: art, pool, gaming, cooking, archery, skateboarding, fencing, table tennis, badminton and more.

GAMEJAM

Come and try out the new state of the art gaming lounge. Take part in workshops on coding and game design.

YOUTH ORCHESTRA

A fantastic opportunity to learn an instrument. We have a selection of string and wind instruments available for you to practise on and be taught by musicians Firas and Micka.

HAM IN SESSION - MUSIC

Come and use our state of the art music studio with tutor Zad. Learn drumming, guitar, music production and studio recording.

HANDMADE ART CLUB

Work with professional artists in different art forms including textiles, painting, and fashion design.

PARKOUR

A form of urban gymnastics, learn from expert coach Jason to precision jump and cat leap on our range of specialist parkour equipment.

ANXIETY SUPPORT GROUP

We have charity MIND visit every Thursday to offer support around anxiety and stress.

OTHER SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Our experienced staff team are always there to support young people with issues they might be facing including drugs and alcohol, anxiety, stress, career choices, school, relationships. We offer the CCard scheme.

For more information contact centre manager, Ben Skelton: **E:** <u>ben.selton@achievingforchildren.org.uk</u>





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TO ALL PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 9

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Dear parent or carer,

RE: Schools that admit pupils at the beginning of Year 10

You are receiving this letter because the Government has made it a legal requirement that all Local Authorities must write to parents and carers of all pupils in Year 9 to tell them about schools in or within travelling distance of the Local Authority area that admit pupils at the beginning of Year 10.

The Government wishes to ensure that parents and carers are well informed about all the options available for children of this age.

This letter is for information only and it does not mean does not mean that you are required to move your child from your existing school if it is the best option for them.

For the great majority of children the school they are already attending will remain the most appropriate place for them to continue their education. So if this is of no interest to you, please disregard this letter.

University Technical Colleges are set up by universities and business and specialise in one or two technical subjects. In years 10 and 11 they offer a similar GCSE curriculum to a typical secondary school, including English and Maths, as well as their specialist subject. You can find out more at <u>www.utcolleges.org</u>

Studio schools are similar to UTCs in that they have employer involvement in the curriculum and focus on developing skills needed for employment, involving personal coaching and work experience. They have a similar curriculum to a typical secondary school. You can find out more at <u>www.studioschoolstrust.org</u>

A list of all schools in the London area which admit pupils into Year 10, together with contact details, can be viewed on <u>Richmond Council's website</u>.

The application process is set out on the website for each school.

I remind you that you do not need to do anything if your option is for your child to remain at their current school.

Yours faithfully,

Samantha Scott Head of School Admissions