On Tuesday 20 December, students enthusiastically joined together for the hugely popular Xmas Factor. Our talented students performed in front of the whole school, with a wide range of acts, including solo singers, dance routines, groups and musicians. Our judging panel had a tough job, but in the end Joel Pearman, Year 10, was named as the Winner for his brilliant rendition of an Adele song.

It was a fantastic event and great fun for everyone involved, with both the performers and the audience entering into the Christmas spirit.

Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 3 January**
  All students return to school
  8.40am

- **Monday 16 January**
  Music Technology Trip
  V & A Museum

- **Wednesday 18 January**
  Year 7
  Subject Consultation Evening
  4.00pm - 7.00pm

- **Friday 20 January**
  Year 9 Immunisations
The Year 9 students in Mr Starret’s class created a German Christmas Market on Friday, complete with Glühwein (non-alcoholic of course) and the traditional shoe mugs. #Frohe Weihnachten! They all entered into the Christmas spirit of the occasion and had great fun.

Christmas Cake Decorating Competition

All of the Year 10 Food and Nutrition classes made and decorated mini fruit cakes. Here are just a few of the fabulous cakes they decorated.
Are we crazy for taking 240 Year 7 students to see Sleeping Beauty at Richmond Theatre – ‘Oh no we’re not!’.

On Tuesday 13 December the whole of Year 7 travelled to Richmond Theatre to watch the pantomime. Despite all of us having to change trains at Twickenham and Mr Oh forgetting his tickets, it all ran pretty smoothly.

By the time the interval came round and students were enjoying their ice creams Miss Jenkinson decided she’d had enough of being heckled in the front row by Chester the Jester, so had to call upon the students to come to her rescue. Thanks to Olly and to Toby, who in retaliation nearly took out one of the pianists with the toilet rolls. Very good work boys!

There were some excellent audience participation moments, including Matthew Burridge launching five toilet rolls on to the stage and getting soaked with the water guns. The students seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves and truly got into the Christmas spirit.

The students, as ever, were a credit to the school and blew the roof off the Theatre when Teddington School was mentioned at the end of the performance.

On Thursday 15 December, the Drama Department took the House Drama winners from the Summer competition, Stuart House and all the directors, to The Rose Theatre to see Wind in The Willows. The performance was thoroughly enjoyable and it was nice to see so many of our own students performing in it.
This Week in Lessons

In the MFL Department, Miss Green’s Paris Project for Year 8 students was a creative success.

Rewards Fortnight Winners

Just before we break up for Christmas, the results of our second Rewards Fortnight are included below. This is a two week period where all staff were asked to focus on awarding merits to students who they feel are have helped to support our community and add to our Teddington School culture through Perseverance, Responsibility, Organisation, Understanding and Determination.

As part of our drive to create a positive culture, we will continue with these competitions every half term as it is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate with our students. This time 868 students were awarded merits in the two week period, doubling last half terms number and over 2400 merit were rewarded to students across all seven year groups.

Congratulations to the winners listed below:

Winners of free snack at break

- Imogen Crockford, Polly Button
- Matthew Rustomji, Louise Cheung
- Callum Kennett White, Ethan Spencer
- Bianca Luca, Maxwell Barnes
- Thomas Benson, Eve Dickson
- Bartek Rajkowski, Bella McDowell
- Fergus Blackwell, Emily Martin

Winners of Amazon Vouchers

- Florence Elliott
- Joe Lavin
- Megan Dodds
- Jude Bennett
- Charlie Casson-Betteridge
- Sophie Jackson
- Ross Cutting
The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We are pleased to announce that the Royal British Legion has informed us that the total Teddington School raised for the Poppy Appeal was £454.24.

Without your help, they would not be able to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work, and they are very grateful for all of your support.

Teddington School PE Fixtures

| Monday  
2 January | Tuesday  
3 January | Wednesday  
4 January | Thursday  
5 January | Friday  
6 January |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| **Rugby Union**
Boys U15 Y10
16.00
v Christ's School | **Basketball**
Boys U16
16.15
v St John the Baptist | **Basketball**
Boys U13
15.45
v Woking High School | | |
| **Rugby Union**
Boys U14 Y9
14.45
v Christ's School | | | | |

You can find all sporting information, including details on Training, Fixtures and Results on our dedicated website [www.teddingtonschoolsports.org](http://www.teddingtonschoolsports.org)
# Term Dates 2016—2017

**Spring Term 2017**  
**Tuesday 3 January — Friday 31 March**

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**Half Term**  
**Monday 13 February — Friday 17 February**

**Staff Training Day**  
**Monday 20 February**

**Summer Term 2017**  
**Tuesday 18 April — Friday 21 July**

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**Half Term**  
**Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June**

**Staff Training Day**  
**Friday 26 May**

**Half Term**  
**Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June**
Teddington School PTA Update

To keep up with the latest PTA news and events follow us on Twitter @teddschPTA or follow us on Facebook

Uniform
Did you know the PTA sells second hand uniform? Please contact Emma Johnson with any uniform enquiries. Donations always welcome.

Help Needed
Can you spare an hour or two to help the PTA? Opportunities to help are coming along all the time.

Just want to help? email us and we can offer suggestions: pta@teddingtonschool.org

50/50 Club
Raise funds for the school and have a chance of winning.

50/50 Club: If you would like a chance to win some money while at the same time raising funds for school, take part in our 50/50 club by completing this form and emailing it to pta@teddingtonschool.org. Half the money raised goes directly to the school and the other half of the money is distributed as prizes. Be in it to win it.

Teddington Trading - Local businesses advertising to all parents
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To advertise or if you have any questions please email pta@teddingtonschool.org
Road Safety Week

Teddington School is taking part in the UK's biggest road safety event, Road Safety Week (21-27 November), coordinated by Brake, the road safety charity. This year, thousands of organisations, schools and community groups are backing the Make the Brake Pledge campaign, helping to spread awareness about six simple things to save lives and the planet.

The Road Safety Week 2016 theme, Make the Brake Pledge, is about people all over the country understanding six key things they can do to protect themselves and the people around them, and reduce emissions and pollution from vehicles. The six Brake Pledge points are: Slow, Sober, Secure, Silent, Sharp and Sustainable.

Every day, five people are killed and more than 60 people are seriously injured on UK roads [1][2]. There are an estimated further 29,000 deaths from particulate matter pollution in the UK [3], 5,000 of which are attributable to road transport [4], and an additional 23,500 deaths from NO2 [5]. Brake is asking everyone to help end this needless suffering by spreading the word in Road Safety Week about the life-saving importance of the Pledge.

To mark the start of Road Safety Week, Brake will be releasing the results of research revealing what people perceive to be the biggest threats on Britain's roads, and what dangerous habits they admit to having themselves.

Dave Nichols, community engagement manager for Brake, said: “We’re delighted Teddington School is getting involved with Road Safety Week and strengthening Brake's campaign for safer roads. We’ve designed this year's theme to be action-orientated. Everyone – individuals, businesses, schools and community organisations – can make and share the Brake Pledge. Brake is working for safe, sustainable, healthy and fair transport. Brake supports a vision zero approach, which places the emphasis on systems to save lives and the planet, such as 20mph limits in towns and segregated routes for people on foot and bicycles. We know it is challenging to change road users' behaviour and humans make mistakes and some knowingly take risks. However, the deaths and injuries are happening right now, this week, and everyone can do their bit today by spreading awareness of the vital importance of the Pledge rules: slow down; never drink or take drugs or use a mobile when driving; always wear a seat belt; get eyesight tested; and minimise driving.”

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**50:50 CLUB**

Be in it to win it!! Just £12 a year

50% of the money will go towards our school and our children...
50% of the money will be given back as cash prizes...
Buy as many memberships as you like...
Each membership costs only £12 per year...

If 50 people join, three lucky winners will win £33 each term
If 100 people join, three lucky winners will win £66 each term
If 200 people join, three lucky winners will win £133 each term
and so on...

**PRIZE DRAWS**

There will be 3 draws held at the termly PTA meetings starting with a draw in December, then 1 more in each of the Spring and Summer terms
Details of winners will be published on the school website

**HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER**

Complete the slip below and return to school in an envelope marked 50:50 Club with your payment. Please enclose a cheque (payable to Teddington School PTA) or cash for each £12 membership
Any queries please contact Lynley Lake (50:50 Club) via pta@teddingtonschool.org

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Teddington School PTA, Teddington School, Broom Road, Teddington TW11 8PJ. Registered Charity: 295617
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TEDDINGTON 50:50 CLUB

I would like to join the Teddington School PTA 50:50 Club. I enclose cash/cheque (payable to Teddington School PTA) for each £12 membership.

Name: ___________________________  No. of memberships: ___________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
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Email: ________________________________________________________________

No. of memberships: ___________________________
Total amount enclosed:  £_________________________
Child’s name: ___________________________
Form: __________________________________________