

YEAR 9 STUDENTS FACE THE DRAGONS AT CISCO

On Wednesday 7 June, a group of Year 9 students went to the Cisco offices in Bedfont Lakes to take part in a Dragons' Den style workshop. First there was a presentation about *The Internet of Everything*. Cisco believes that more than 50 billion things will be connected to the internet by 2020. What happens when your microwave, your car or even your school workbooks are connected to the internet?

After an introduction to the principles of marketing, students had to think of a product that could make lives better by 'Connecting the Unconnected', before presenting a business plan to a panel of Dragons. The teams worked brilliantly together and presented their ideas with confidence.

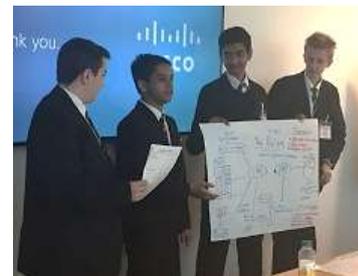
The three innovative products were:

UCook: a cooker that connects to all your kitchen appliances, selects recipes from the internet and automatically orders ingredients to be delivered to your home.

Videre: smart contact lenses that enable you to view maps, messages, translations and take photos – right in front of your eyes!



And the winning idea, *HAIR n Go*, an artificial intelligence hairdressing system, fitted into photo booths, which can quickly and effortlessly style your hair, take photos and upload them to social media sites. *HAIR n Go* could also attend parties and events. The judges praised the research, sponsorship deals and brand concepts that the team put forward.



Cisco commented, *'We were extremely impressed with the level of interaction and ideas from all the students.'*

Well done to everyone who attended!

'INSPIRING THE FUTURE' TALK FOR YEAR 9 AND 10 STUDENTS



Last week, Mark Walley, Managing Director of RICS (Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors), gave a talk to a group of Year 9 and 10 students.

Mark talked about his journey from failing his A levels to becoming Managing Director of a major professional body, travelling the world to work with governments and international companies.

His motivational story was very interesting and shows that anyone can be their best with hard work and determination.

The purpose of learning is growth, and our minds, unlike our bodies, can continue growing as long as we live.

- Mortimer Adler

PARENT FORUM



The Parent Forum can be found on the homepage on the VLE, each week various members of staff will post a different topic for discussion. Just click on the Parent Forum button (image above right) and reply to the post from the school.

This week's topic is:

[What else could we do at TKC to help improve the wellbeing of our students?](#)

ABSENCE CONTACT DETAILS

If your child is unwell
please contact Mrs Canton
on 01784 243824

(then select '1' on the keypad which will then divert
directly to the absence line)

and follow the instructions
or via email

canton_v@thomasknyvett.org

Believe in yourself and all that you
are. Know that there is something
inside you that is greater than any
obstacle.

– Christian D. Larson

Dates for your Diary

w/c 19 June:	Year 10 Examinations
21 June:	BP Sunbury 20 x Year 8 & 9 students
w/c 26 June:	Year 9 Examinations
27 June:	Brooklands College, Weybridge (45 x Year 10 students)
28 June:	Big Bang Fair (All Year 9 students)
28 June:	Year 11 Prom, Holiday Inn, Shepperton
30 June:	Tate Britain Trip 30 x Year 10 students
w/c 3 July:	Year 8 Examinations
4 July:	National Enterprise Challenge, Telford (6 x Year 10 students)
4 & 5 July:	Induction Days
4 July:	Induction Evening
5 July:	Maths Inspiration, Guildford (30 x Year 9 & 10 students)
w/c 10 July:	Year 7 Examinations
11 July:	Awards Evening Years 7-10
12 July:	PTA Meeting 6:30pm
12 July:	Strodes College (50 x Year 10 students)
14 July:	Brooklands College, Interschools Business Challenge 12 x Year 10 students
16-19 July:	Spanish Trip to Barcelona (Year 7 & 8 students)
18 & 19 July:	Summer Production
19 July:	Activity Day
20 July:	Sports Day
21 July:	Last day of term

TKC GENERAL ELECTION

On Thursday 8 June 2017, TKC held its very own General Election. Students and staff were encouraged to head to the polls, during break and lunch time, to find out which party is most supported at TKC.

After a whole day of polling, and a 61% turnout from all TKC Students (345 votes), it was decided that the Labour Party is the most supported political party amongst the students and staff.

However, mimicking the British General Election, the Labour party failed to win a majority and resulted in a Hung Parliament.

Massive congratulations to Year 7 for being the most proactive voters, with a whopping 74% turnout. Many thanks to everybody who voted and made it such a successful day.

Results (Overall Turnout 61%):

- Labour: 36% (124 Votes)
- Conservative: 22% (75 Votes)
- Lib Dem: 3% (12 Votes)
- Green: 29% (100 Votes)
- UKIP: 10% (34 Votes)



Bringing out the Best

50KM KNIGHTRIDER AROUND LONDON

Saturday 10 June, found a select few preparing to cycle the streets of London for *east to west*, a charity based at Thomas Knyvett College. Amongst the select group were Mrs Dowell (TKC Inclusion) and Dan (who was previously at TKC as the *east to west* Relational Support Worker). Ahead of them lay 50km of city streets, tourist landmarks, traffic and the odd hill or two! Leaving Ashford at 8:00pm, we arrived at the Olympic Park – our base – around 9:30pm and having registered, limbered up and gotten last minute bits and bobs completed, we headed to the start line for the 11:00pm start wave.



The team preparing to leave Ashford

Our route took us past Arsenal's Emirates Stadium, ZSL London Zoo, Oxford Street, Waterloo Bridge, St. Paul's Cathedral, The Shard, Tower Bridge and the Tower of London. We finished our ride just after 3:00am and dozed as we waited for the other cyclists who had ridden 100km, before finally arriving back in Ashford 12 hours after we had left.



Congratulations to Mrs Dowell who succeeded in completing this ride, especially in light of the fact she had only agreed to take part two weeks previously, having not cycled any significant distance...ever! As part of this ride, she has helped raise over £4,000, some of which will be used to support the work of *east to west* at TKC. A huge thank you as well to the staff and students who sponsored and encouraged her along the way.

Mrs Dowell, you are an absolute star, and we at *east to west* are incredibly proud of your efforts in supporting the children, young people and families we work with, through your efforts. You did it with a smile on your face

and a Scottish determination that was an inspiration to all of us. We look forward to seeing you on the 100km next year!

Dan Beedell
Funding Lead
east to west

MATHS CHALLENGE

1. If you watched all of these films, one after the other, how long would it take?
2. If you started watching at 7:15pm, what time would you finish?



Last week's solution:

The 12th floor.

The lift stops on the 12th, 24th and 30th floors on 5 of the 7 days but you would have to take the fewest number of stairs to floor 12 as opposed to floors 24 and 30.

PUNCTUATION OF THE WEEK AT TKC

Full stop (.)

Full stops are used:

1. To mark the end of a sentence that is a complete statement:

My name's Beth and I was 18 in July.

2. In some abbreviations, for example etc., Dec., or p.m.:

The coffee morning will be held on Thursday 15 Sept. in the Waterfront Restaurant.

3. In website and email addresses:

www.oup.com

4. If an abbreviation with a full stop comes at the end of a sentence you do not need to add another full stop:

Bring your own pens, pencils, rulers, etc.

LITERACY CHALLENGE

Rhyming Words

Find five words to rhyme with:

matter

never

glory

clear

Synonyms for the word **COURAGE** from last week's newsletter:

- Audacity
- Bravery
- Daring
- Determination
- Endurance
- Fearlessness
- Firmness
- Fortitude

PE DEPARTMENT CLUBS

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH	Badminton CSP MUGA - ABL	MUGA - HBO	Badminton ABL MUGA - HBO	Cricket HBO/ABL MUGA - CSP	MUGA – ABL Hockey
AFTER SCHOOL	Meetings	Athletics ALL PE Department		Rounder's CSP	Cricket ABL/HBO

Bringing out the Best

SPORTS FIXTURES

Month	Date	Fixture	Year Group	- Vs -	Venue
June	16	District Athletics	Year 9/10		Guildford Spectrum
	20	Athletics	Year 9/10	To be arranged	Jubilee High
	22	Athletics	Year 7/8	To be arranged	Jubilee High
	29	Rounders	Year 7	Bishop Wand	Bishop Wand

TERM DATES – ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

Please note these dates are subject to change.

END OF TERM

21 July 2017