



## *Tiffinian Association Bulletin*

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### **Preparing pupils for life after Tiffin**

The Tiffinian Association made possible a demonstration of the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) for some Year 6 students. The psychometric questionnaire is designed to measure psychological preferences in how people perceive the world and make decisions. **Roger Bonfield (1966)** was invited back to present and guide the day. **Michael Harris (2006)**, who is currently studying Psychology at University, also attended to learn about MBTI and assist Roger with his presentation.



Sharing your knowledge with Tiffin students is a great way in which alumni and others can put something back. If you would like to give a presentation or speak to students about your career, please contact the Association at [TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk). We would be delighted to hear from you.

### **Cronk-Cunis National Under 21 XV's Rugby Festival**

A team of Tiffin School Alumni will compete in this Festival on Bank Holiday Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009 (just before students go back to University). It will take place at the Kings College School Old Boys/Old Blues Ground (near Motspur Park Station). It's a one-day annual Festival where matches are played in a XV-a-side, 15-minutes each way, knock out format. If you would like to spectate or take part next year, please e-mail Alex Swift at [TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk)



### **Old Tiffinians Sevens Tournament at Grist's Sports Grounds**

On Sunday 13th September 2009 Tiffin School, the TIPRA (Tiffin Parents' Rugby Association) and the OTRFC (Old Tiffinians Rugby Football Club) are organising an Old Tiffinians Sevens Tournament at Grist's Sports Ground. There will be a BBQ and a beer tent, and the plan will be to carry on into the evening (so you have plenty of warning to book the next day off work!) Leavers from 2005 and before will pay £10 per head entrance fee, and all leavers thereafter will get a "Student Discount" and pay only £5 per head (to include a burger and a pint for each player). We would like all teams registered by Friday 14th August.

It should be a great day out and a good chance to catch up with old friends.

We are hoping this will be the first tournament of many more to come.

For more information, please e-mail Gareth Webb at [g\\_j\\_webb@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:g_j_webb@hotmail.co.uk), or call/text him on 07703 731 140.

## Tiffinian Association Events:

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September: **Tours of Tiffin School**

This is part of the Kingston Heritage Open Day programme. John King (Deputy Head) will be showing visitors round the School at 11.15am and 2pm. To join the tours, please meet at the London Road gate just before these times.

### Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October: **OTA Social Lunch at Ristorante Sorrento, Tolworth**

Please contact Greer Kirkwood on 01483 850705 or at [r.greer.kirkwood@ntlworld.co.uk](mailto:r.greer.kirkwood@ntlworld.co.uk) if you wish to attend.

### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October : **OTGS Autumn Meeting**

The final meeting this year of the Old Tiffinian Golf Society will be at Cuddington Golf Club. It coincides with school half term, so a big turnout is expected that day. The format is: breakfast at 08.45, tee-off from 10.00 and a late 3 course lunch (so nobody will have to finish in the dark this time!).

The cost will be £50 per head for OTGS members and £53 for any OT non-members or any guests who might like to attend.

Please let Allan Piggott (Fixtures Secretary) know if you plan to come to Cuddington by Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> [allan.piggott@btinternet.com](mailto:allan.piggott@btinternet.com).

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November: **Association Annual Dinner**

7.30pm at the Boathouse, Canbury Gardens. Tickets £30 each.

Hilda Clarke, Head Teacher at Tiffin School from September 2009 will attend.

You may purchase tickets from:

Jack Foster – 01372 813021 (or via [j.foster@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:j.foster@ucl.ac.uk)), Stuart Vidler - 01590 678789 or John Wright – 020 8337 8965

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November: **Association AGM**

#### International Youth Arts Festival presents: **Pendragon**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July @ 2pm & 7.30pm; Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July @ 2pm & 5.30pm

**David Nield** and **Frank Whately** (both ex-teachers of Tiffin School) are directing a production of 'Pendragon' at the Rose Theatre, Kingston. It is in the same tradition as those home-grown productions which many Old Tiffinians will remember. The music is written by distinguished Old Tiffinian **Peter Allwood** (1970), and the words by Frank Whately.

It is an enchanting and magical exploration of the life of King Arthur, the son of Uther Pendragon. It charts his childhood with Merlin, his triumphs as a young man, his love, losses and eventual dramatic redemption. A 40-strong cast of local young actors use giant puppets, masks, live music, magic flying swords and shadow play to bring this legendary tale to life.

Please click on the title for further details of the production.



### **Helicopter lands at Tiffin School**

On 7th May 1909 the Admiralty first set aside £35,000 for the development of an airship, beginning a process that was to lead to the formation of the Fleet Air Arm as we know it today.

On 10<sup>th</sup> June 2009, a Royal Navy helicopter visited Tiffin School as part of the Fleet Air Arm 100 Celebrations. The helicopter landed on the School field, in front of hundreds of Tiffin School pupils and pupils from nearby St. Joseph's Primary School.



### Henley Royal Regatta, 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> July 2009

The School 8 has pre-qualified for the Princess Elizabeth Cup at the Henley Royal Regatta (Crew number 147). This pre-selection by the stewards shows that the Tiffin boys have performed at a high level throughout the year.

Message from the Tiffin crew: 'The more support the better!'



Please click on the title for further details of the Regatta.



### Tiffin School Arts calendar: Summer term 2009

Tiffin School has very active music and dance departments. Tiffin students are performing at various locations in July such as the Rose Theatre, Kingston Parish Church, the Arthur Cottrell Theatre, the Clore Studio Theatre at the Royal Opera House, the Scoop (open air amphitheatre next to City Hall), St John's College, Cambridge and Tiffin School.

Please click on the title above to see more details.

The **Tiffin School Remembrance Day Service** will take place on 11th November 2009 at the School. Numbers are limited, but if any Old Tiffinians would like to attend, please contact Alex Swift at [TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk)

There will be no bulletin in August, due to holidays.

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