



Tomlinscote School Newsletter

27th February
2026



Dear Parents & Carers,

We are back in full swing for this very short (5 week) half-term. It will be as packed as ever with curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Year 11 have started their mock exam session very positively and we encourage them to keep their impressive standards so far for this next week. The Yr 9 options process closed today so it will not be long until our next cohort of GCSE students learn of their future subject choices and thus what the next two years looks like for them.

There are a number of community based messages within this newsletter for parents and students— we would ask you to share the relevant ones with your children—they are our ambassadors out and about in the community and as such we rely on them for appropriate behaviour. On Monday 2nd March Mr. Major will be returning from his sabbatical and we look forward to welcoming him back. As his letter at the end of the Christmas term informed you, he returns as Principal on a part time basis and I will be continuing as Associate Principal for the periods of time when he is not in school.

You may also be aware that a second recruitment process for the appointment of Mr. Major's successor as Principal took place in February, just before half-term. We are delighted to announce that following a rigorous interview process Mr Matt Venton has been appointed the Principal at Tomlinscote and will be joining the school on the 1st September. Please see inside the newsletter for a profile on the new Principal.

I hope you have a good weekend

Miss Harrison

Key Dates

**Mon 23rd Feb
- Fri 6th Mar**
Year 11 Mock exams

Sat 28th Feb
Yr 10/11 Duke of
Edinburgh training

Fri 6th March
Year 7 reports sent home

**Mon 9th / Tues 10th
March**
Juniper Hall Geography
Trips

Thurs 12th March
Uniform Station
(see attached flyer)

Fri 13th March
Culture Day

**Mon 16th-Thurs 26th
March**
Year 10 Exams



New Principal for Tomlinscote School

We're delighted to share that **Matt Venton** has recently been appointed as the new Principal of Tomlinscote, to succeed Rob Major in September.

Matt brings an outstanding track record of delivering success for students as Deputy Principal at leading Surrey schools Rodborough and Weydon, and more recently as Co-Principal at Frogmore Community College.

After university, Matt worked for the National Theatre before being drawn to a career in education. Initially an English teacher, before moving into school leadership, it is no surprise to know that he has a passion for the creative arts in all forms - books, films, and theatre. He enjoys live music although says, in another life, he would have liked to have been a sports journalist. He is also a long suffering Spurs supporter – none of us are perfect!

Before becoming Principal in September, Matt will visit the school and spend time with Rob and the existing leadership team to ensure a smooth handover.

I'm sure you will join us all in welcoming Matt to Tomlinscote. He looks forward to meeting many of you over the next few months as we begin this next chapter together, taking the school on to even greater heights.

Andrew Needham, Chair of Trustees, The Prospect Trust



COMMUNITY MESSAGES

A Message from Surrey Police about Tomlins Pond

Please be advised that all the fish have now been removed from Tomlins Pond. This was due to fishing at the pond not being allowed, and it still continuing.

The council made the decision to remove the fish. The council have requested this be passed onto parents and students.

A message from Frimley Green Pre-School

Students have been seen climbing the fence into the garden at Frimley Green Pre-School located at the Community Centre on Balmoral Drive. This has been noted at 8.00am, possible coming from the direction of Middlemoor Road. Please be aware that this is classed as trespassing on private property.

Frimley Green Pre-School has suffered from vandalism over recent years that was caused by some in the local area and are keen not to have a repeat of such issues.

Parking around the school area

Please can we ask parents dropping off or picking up students from school to be respectful of our neighbours and their driveways. It is not appropriate to stop and/or block access routes to houses preventing people entering or leaving. Your co-operation with this is appreciated.

Tomlinscote Team Results

Year 7A Boys Basketball	V	Bohunt School Liphook	Score 22-55	Player of the Match Jason Afari
Year 9 Boys Basketball	V	Frogmore Community College	Result 43-33	Player of the Match Luke Bush
Year 11 Girls Football	V	St Nicholas School'	Result 3-0	Player of the Match
Year 11 Boys Rugby	V	Winston Churchill	Score 17-41	Player of the Match Cassius Murrell
Year 7A Boys Basketball	V	Yateley School	Score 25-29	Player of the Match Sammy Panta
Year 8A Boys Football	V	Amery Hill School	Score 7-2	Player of the Match Joshua Williams
Year 9A Netball	V	Calthorpe Park School	Score 15-13	Player of the Match Louise Bradnam Caitlin Hughes
Year 7B Netball	V	Calthorpe Park School	Score 0-10	Player of the Match Alice Williams Renee Zeevi
Year 9A Boys Football	V	Cove School	Score 9-0	Player of the Match Abdullah Chaudhry

All Team fixtures and results can be accessed on our Sports System:

https://sport.tomlinscoteschool.com/Fixtures_Teams.asp?id=4438

PE STARS

January/February

Congratulations to our Star Performers.
Well done, keep up the good work.

YEAR 7

Joshua Perrio

Venisha Morey

Sammy Panta

Renee Zeevi

Harry Livermoore

Kasra Naderi

Elizabeth Griffin

Sam Lam

Zaknai Aurakzai

YEAR 8

Thomas Kilgannon

Ava Collacott

Maria McKenzie

Bobby Murrell

Bella Hannaway

Mylo Harris

Leo Miller

Harriet Buchan

Emily Charlton-Eve

YEAR 9

Zanaraj Aurakzai

Poppy Burrows

Bethany Howard

Luke Bush

Isla Behrendt

Izzy Fivian

Kehar Badhesga

Izzie Girvin

Noah Tyas

YEAR 10 Core

Alfred Fabian

Ron Messer

Bryan Skowronski

Courtney Mac Carron

Jabob Burchell

Sophie Baylis

Elissia Curry

Louis Simpson

Nathan Hill

Lexi Abbotson

Oscar Springle

YEAR 11 Core

Ben Prince

Joshua Brazier

Tahir Bhanji

Harry Hideg

Emily Kinge

Evie MacKinnon

Sheza Kayani

Mark Gill

Club Top Students

YEAR 7

Izzy Smith

YEAR 8

Darshan Paidimarri

YEAR 9

Andrew Head

YEAR 10

Freya Mistry

YEAR 11

Andrew Georgin

Student Newsletter

From the Student Leadership Team



Topic: Introduction

Hello everyone. For one of our goals for the student leadership team we are planning on creating a student written page in our current newsletter set on giving our student body a voice to discuss major events within our community. Every fortnight, we will be adding a page of the newsletter where we can share all major upcoming events and information to share to our students as well as a reflection of what has happened over the past few weeks.

In this newsletter, we will cover a range of topics; what's going on in KS3 and KS4, what's going on in clubs and what's going on in GCSEs? Our aim is to give you an insight into your options, opportunities into your future at Tomlinscote (trips to look forward to) as well as options for clubs. Maybe most importantly for year 9, you'll also get an insight into what students are actively doing in their GCSE's.

In the long term, we're looking to hand over this project to the next student leadership team when we leave in May. Our goal is to make this an easily available resource for the next team to begin with a running start, so if you are at all interested, please take note of this newsletter and read it. If by the time we leave in April/May you feel that you could get involved in this project, please email Miss Harris or Miss Tolley in the spring!

the Student Leadership Team

We are proud to share that Tomlinscote School have been reaccredited with the International School Award for outstanding development of the international dimension in the curriculum—**congratulations** to all involved in helping the school achieve this for a further three years.



International School Award
2025–2028

Certificate

This is to certify that

Tomlinscote School

has been reaccredited for

**Outstanding development
of the international dimension
in the curriculum**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott McDonald".

Scott McDonald
Chief Executive, British Council





Tomlinscote
School

UNIFORM STATION

...your stop for free schoolwear...



Call out for yellow summer term polos



*Donations of good condition newer logo jumpers,
polo shirts, kilts, trousers, ties and PE kits,
gratefully received in readiness for our next
Uniform Station evening on 12 March
Please drop off at Reception between
8:15-3:15 until **Friday 6 March***

*Together, we can make a difference!
Thank you all for your support*

Visit [Tomlinscote Uniform Station](#) Facebook group for more information...