


Reigate School

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

This Thursday 4th October we will have our annual open evening for prospective children and parents/carers to view the school. To enable staff to ready their departments we have an early closure of 12:05pm on this day. Friday 5th is an INSET training day for the staff so school will be closed to the children.

Now that we've settled into the new academic year, may I remind you that all absences must be reported on a daily basis via the absence line on 01737 245241 (Available 24 hours). Your message should include your child's name, tutor group, reason for absence and your name. If this line is unavailable then please use the main school number during normal school opening hours - 01737 243166. School should be advised of any medical conditions. Medical evidence may be requested if it affects your child's attendance.

A special congratulations to the Year 9 cricket team who became Surrey County champions last week. A full report is featured in the Sports News section of this newsletter.

Enjoy your weekend.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Aaron Newsam for an amazing and delicious cell cake in Science.
Year 8	Harley Morgan and Albion Hysa for making a brilliant start to the year.
Year 9	Catrin Frost for her amazing work ethic across the board and singing so beautifully in assembly this week.
Year 10	Caelan Barnes - being supportive to those around him when they most need it.
Year 11	Yasmin Lawrence for her hard work and dedication in health and social care.

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 1 st October	Shakespeare Schools Festival at The Harlequin
Wednesday 3 rd October	GCSE climbing course at K2, Crawley
Thursday 4 th October	GCSE English trip to An Inspector Calls at New Wimbledon Theatre
Friday 5 th October	12:05pm early closure INSET day

STUDENT SERVICES

Just a reminder that Student Services is always available to your child if they are feeling unwell. We will try and help them and call you if necessary.

COMING SOON



Year 7 Freshers' Fair

Friday 12th October

Come and see what clubs and teams are available for you to join at Reigate School

Details to follow soon

SUMMER IMPROVEMENTS

The Premises team along with some of our contractors completely refurbished three science labs over the summer which are now complete. Each of the rooms has three screens which means everyone has a clear view. There are demo benches and visualisers. The teachers were all really excited about the changes especially Mr Hawkins. In addition there is a digital display unit in the Science corridor and we look forward to seeing lots of excellent material being posted there.



At the other side of the school, the Premises team have been further developing the extended textiles room and the new classes are thrilled with the extra space they now have.



MAYOR'S VOLUNTEER AWARDS

On Friday 20th July The Honourable, The Mayor of Reigate and Banstead, Councillor Dorothy Ross-Tomlin hosted the Mayor's Volunteer Awards at Reigate Town Hall. The evening honoured members of the community who give up their time to support others on a regular basis and who are nominated because the causes they support feel that these particular volunteers have gone above and beyond what would normally be expected from a volunteer.

This year two current and two former children from Reigate School were honoured for their service.



Courtney, Morgan and Maisie were awarded Youth Volunteer Awards for their work supporting and leading children to enable them to engage with drama and make new friends at Orbit Shed, a local inclusive performing arts charity based in Reigate.

Sofia was awarded a Team Volunteer Award for her work supporting children in the Include Choir, another performing arts inclusive charity based in Redhill.

We are extremely proud of all of them.

Congratulations to the following children who have clocked up the most learning hours on HegartyMaths this week



Top 10 Correct Answers 3rd – 14th September

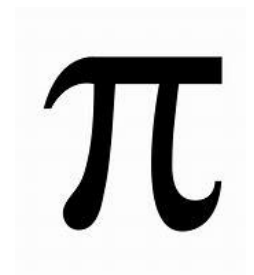
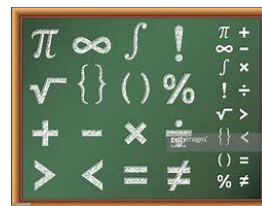
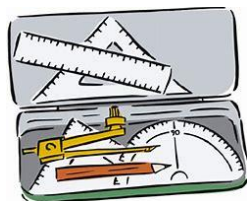
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Isabelle Walker Gracie Andrews-Fuller Anna Mitchell Connor Fahey Leian Wye Rose Lacey Owen Blackley Aydan Wright Chloe Richardson Chloe Fuchs	Thomas Bisset Oscar Nott Eva Grist Daisy Bamford Alfie Morgan Cailen Harrap Kelcie Powell Troy Jacobs Eve Mackay Anya Sedgwick	Sadie Jenkins Chloe Lacey Adam Gatland Finlay Garrett Jaimee Leigh Thomas Porter Madeline Howland Ashleigh Norman Mia Ferrao Jamie Bunn	Daisy Hobbs Abudi Bala Luke Norris Elizabeth Williamson Georgina Hunter-Haschka Jennifer Ross Kirstie Milne Nayana Brathwaite Lily Joyles Amanda Stapley	Efan Fisher Valentino Phillips Tallulah Merry Kayleigh Burchett Joshua Stopher Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Emily Ansell Oscar Picking Subhan Qureshi Polly Hather

Top 10 Correct Answers 14th – 21st September

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Keira Fenton Emily Cooper Brendon Worcester Cameron Turner Emily Cobbin Madeline Friday Sebastian Hooper Anna Mitchell Rose Lacey Harry Roberts	Riley Skehan Alex Cheung Riddhi Chudasama Mason Hunt Ruby Finnigan Alfie Vodden James Green Jacob Adolphe Joshua Stockton Megan Thomas	Perry Copperthwaite Chloe Lacey Andrew Ball Sadie Jenkins Zuzanna Skiba Harry Newell Annie Thompson Robbie Davies Oliver Shepherd Ella-Mai Turtle	Peter Gates Ella Rodd Amber Knight Abby Harries Jake Coombes Daisy-May Aldred Victoria Grandison Kirstie Milne Frankie Evered Owen Hunt	Hannah Dennis Holly Goodbourn Ella Kola Henry Clarke Ben Probert Joshua Peck Sharon Pepple Raife Eskisan Brianna Francis Laleh Wooster

Top 10 Correct Answers 21st – 28th September

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Ramatoulie Saidy Alba Lawrence-Virgillito Grace Weids Thomas Lucas Humaid Bashir Zac Cusden Jude Sadler Sienna Rogers Jude Auckloo Lily Stanton	Ruby Finnigan Anise Miller-Bassi Ethan Simmons Isabelle Cochrane Azaan Masood Emma Knight Jessica Sturgeon Troy Jacobs Momo Brown Paige Denham	Zain Masood Thomas Maidment Joanne Lewer Chloe Lacey Adam Ainsworth Amalie Daniel James Musk Harvey Merry Hayley Driskell Harrison Cobby	Maya Smith Hayley Ford Ryan Smythe Ellie-Louise Robertson Maddison Drew Amy Brown Lucas Dodimead Samuel Forgie Harrish Muraleetharan Mya Lloyd	Fahmina Khan Finley Lenihan Efan Fisher Herbie Clarke Joshua Peck Charlotte Peyton Oliver Foot Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Jessica Crame Harry Mackenzie



YEAR 9 SURREY COUNTY CUP CRICKET FINAL (Plate Competition – State Schools Only)



On Thursday 20th September, as a finale to a very successful season, this talented group of Year 9 boys travelled to Dorking Westhumble Cricket Club to play a 20 over match against the reigning champions from Gordon's School in Chobham. This was a historic day as Reigate School has never reached this stage of the competition before. Having won the toss, our captain Will put the opposition into bat. The opening batsmen from Gordon's were a technically strong pair, however they struggled to deal with the accuracy and pace of our elite bowlers Will, Nangyalay and Tristan. With the opposition on 31 runs off six overs, Syed clean bowled their best batsman prompting some vociferous celebrations. Accurate bowling from Zohaib and Matt meant runs were hard to come by in the middle overs, with both bowlers getting a wicket a piece. Fielding was strong throughout with very few mistakes and with an excellent run out in the mix we were able to limit the opposition to just 84 runs off their 20 overs.

Our opening batsmen of Daniel and Jonny looked confident as they strolled out to the middle. Having dealt with a tricky opening over from the Gordon's captain, Jonny relieved the pressure with a huge six in the second over. He then continued to attack scoring five more boundaries in the next few overs, all with powerful but controlled shots behind square. When Jonny was dismissed for 28 in the sixth over, the score was already on 40, meaning the required run rate was low and pressure was off. Syed came in with some agricultural (but effective) power hitting from the start, allowing Daniel to rotate the strike with textbook cover drives and late cuts. The opposition coach commented on how classy Daniel's technique was with his last three scoring shots boundaries through the covers. Before we knew it, we reached our winning total of 85 runs, off just 10 overs, with both batsmen unbeaten on 23 runs. The winning boundary from Syed prompted wild celebrations, as the boys realised they were the first ever team from Reigate School to become county champions in 11-a-side cricket.

The representative from Surrey County Cricket Club commented on what a great performance we had put on, resulting in us now being advised to enter the private school competition next year, where we could play the likes of Whitgift School, Epsom College or Reigate Grammar School. His opinion is that we may well surprise a few people, our bowling attack in particular is something to be feared. There is work to do in reducing the amount of extras we concede, however I am confident we will put up a good fight against the big boys next year....bring it on!

Congratulations boys, the whole school is incredibly proud of your achievement.

Mr Strachan

RUN REIGATE

Last Sunday we participated in Run Reigate which was held in Priory Park. We ran in the kids' race with other Year 7 and 8 students from all different schools. We ran 1.1 miles around the park, it was very hard but both of us managed to complete the race in good time. I was the first girl and Evie was third!

It was such a great experience and so much fun, we were even singing as we crossed the finish line! Well done to everyone from Reigate School that ran on Sunday.

Reported by Lilly Woodhams and Evie Lord 7SMI



Sophia - 7AFO



Luke - 7LWA



Noah - 10
5th overall
2nd male overall



Miss McGuire



YEAR 9 FOOTBALL

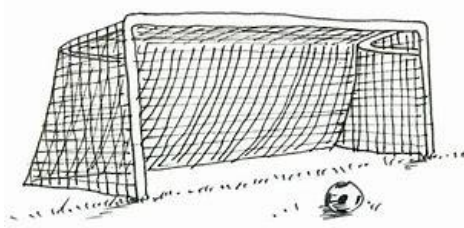
The Year 9 football team kicked off their campaign on Wednesday 26th September against Warwick School. After losing 8-2 last year, the odds were against us. The boys were full of confidence, happy to play on their home pitch and ready to win.

The game started extremely well. The boys were confident on the ball, building play from the back and setting Haarris and Ethan off chasing the ball. After a few chances in front of goal, we still couldn't break the deadlock. However, with a fantastic delivery from Harrison, Will headed us in front. We carried on with this momentum throughout the first half, but were unable to improve our lead.

The second half started just as well. The defence were staying strong, the midfield were holding the ball up and the strikers were causing damage to Warwick's defence. Unfortunately, with how well we were playing we were naturally going to tire. For the final 15 minutes we were on the back foot. The defence were being run ragged but were holding strong. I lost count of the number of blocks, clearances and saves that were made; the boys still wouldn't let Warwick through.

With the final few kicks of the game, the ball was booted route one to Haarris. A flick over the top of their defender and a half volley into the bottom corner. Haarris had put Reigate 2-0 up. The crowd went wild.

After the best defensive performance I have ever seen, the boys had done it. 2-0 win. Congratulations to all of the boys. Man of the Match was Dan Masson-Smith.



ATTENDANCE

We would like to remind all parents and children about the importance of regular school attendance. Children are expected to attend 100% of the time, be punctual every day and show good behaviour in lessons. Parents are expected to phone the absence line on every day of absence to notify the school of the reason for your child's absence.

Telephone number: **01737 245241 (Available 24 hours)**.

Your message should include your child's name, tutor group, reason for absence and your name.

This year, good attendance, punctuality and behaviour are being rewarded with a trip to Thorpe Park in the summer term for Years 7-10. To qualify your child must have 95 points, which is made up from 95% attendance and points awarded because of good behaviour on their reports each term. Children can also lose points for poor behaviour on their reports and for persistent lateness.

What are acceptable reasons for absence?

Some examples are vomiting, diarrhoea, high temperature, hospital appointments, funerals.

Unacceptable reasons include:

Headache, tiredness, stomach-ache, colds, coughs, birthdays, haircuts, shopping days, duvet days! Children who have broken bones can normally be accommodated in school after discussion with Heads of Year.

Leave of absence during term time

It is highly unlikely that the Headteacher will grant permission for a leave of absence during term time. These can only be considered in the most exceptional circumstances and must be applied for in advance using the Absence request form available from the office. Please refer to the Attendance policy on the school website for more information.

Will I be made aware if my child's attendance is low?

Yes, if their attendance falls below an acceptable level, a letter of concern will be sent to you and you may be asked to provide medical evidence. If there is no improvement a meeting will be arranged to discuss the situation and you may be referred to the Education Welfare Service. The government guidelines state that if your child falls below 90% attendance they are classed as persistently absent.

EXTRA CURRICULAR



PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB: Last year two enthusiastic Year 7s started a photography club. The children had a lot of fun going on photographic missions around school and the club was really successful. Following that initiative, this year they would like to extend the club to the whole of Year 7. The club will be on Wednesdays after school in N3. We hope to publish some of the images in the newsletter in the coming weeks and look forward to seeing some creative photography soon - Mrs. Wilson.

SAYING THANK YOU POPPY CLUB

On 11th November 1918 the guns fell silent across Europe as the Armistice was signed and the First World War was over. Over 1.1 million British and Commonwealth soldiers had made the ultimate sacrifice. One hundred years later, Reigate School community are saying thank you to those who fought in battle, worked in the factories, planted the crops, nursed the injured and cared for the children.

One way we are doing this is to make a display of poppies in school. Poppy Club will be every Wednesday from 3rd October after school in Mrs Hartnett's art room where children and staff will be making poppies out of different materials including paint, clay and wool for the display. Some will be able to learn new skills such as knitting. We will be encouraging the children to teach people at home how to knit a poppy and to bring these poppies into school to be included in the display. Children can see Mrs Hartnett or Mrs Woodcock if they would like more information.



DRUM LESSONS

There are spaces available for drum lessons held at Reigate School via Surrey Arts. For more information please contact them directly: Telephone: 01483 519303 or email: surreyarts@surreycc.gov.uk

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TALKING TEENS WORKSHOP

Dovers Green Sure Start Children's centre are proposing some free workshops aimed at Year 7 and 8 parents. Please book with them directly, contact details below, if you are interested. The course needs to be pre-booked and will only go ahead if there is enough interest.

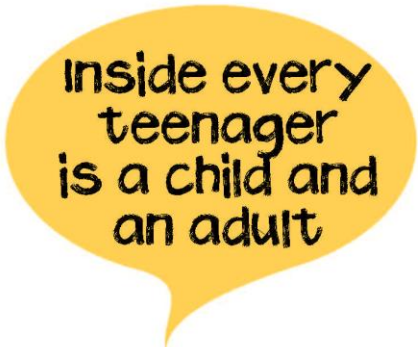
What is Talking Teens?

Teenagers are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but being a parent of one can be stressful and challenging.

The Talking Teens Parent Group helps deal with those challenges so you can have a calmer, happier family life.

A tried and tested Programme, it helps us think about what we do, why we do it, and how it makes us feel and looks at questions that many parents have, like:

- How can I stop my child always getting the last word?
- Why do they always sleep in so late?
- Can I do anything to help them argue less?
- What's normal?
- Why don't they want to tell me how they're feeling?



The Four Sessions

- 1:** Being a parent of a teenager; The role of parents for teenagers; Responding to difficult feelings
- 2:** Understanding your teenager; Understanding teenage development; Parenting styles; Praise and criticism
- 3:** Communicating with your teenager; Talking and listening; Communicating clearly; Handling difficult issues
- 4:** Managing conflict; Rules and boundaries; Choosing how to respond; Problem solving

Practical information

There are four 2-hour sessions over four weeks

10-20 parents are invited and there are two Family Links trained group leaders

Partners are welcome and it's also fine to come on your own or with another relative or friend

You'll get the most out of the Programme if you come to all four sessions.



How the Talking Teens Parent Group has helped other parents

- "I realised that you're really needed as a parent even if your teenager behaves otherwise"
- "I'm doing a better job than I thought I was"
- "I like the time for discussion during the sessions"
- "It has been really interesting and informative, both leaders great and lovely approach, felt very relaxed"

The Nurturing Programme Talking Teens Parent Group

where:
Reigate School
Pendleton Road
Reigate
Surrey
RH2 7NT

when:
Thursday Evenings 7.30pm - 9.30pm
1st November (Week 1)
8th November (Week 2)
15th November (Week 3)
22nd November (Week 4)

Contact details:
Dovers Green Sure Start Children's Centre
Tel: 01737 223621
Email:
childrenscentre@dovers-green.surrey.sch.uk



Talking Teens Parent Group

Information for parents and carers



check out familylinks.org.uk/Parents



familylinks.org.uk
Charity no. 1062514



YEAR 10 CAREERS DAY

Last term Year 10 were able to participate in a full day of career and life skills workshops.

Sky ran an employability workshop, which included some role-play interviews and quizzes. Russell and Richard (Sky Team Managers) also spoke to the children about their career paths and stressed how determination and resilience are key to achieving goals. The children particularly enjoyed them acting out a good interview and a not so good one!

The Army ran a series of fun and interesting team building exercises. It was great to see the children all working together to solve problems.

Citizens Advice ran a money management workshop which was beneficial to the children by informing them all about bank accounts, debt and fraud. They all took away some useful tips on how to manage their finances.

Jellyfish are a digital media company based in Reigate who also have offices in The Shard, London and abroad. Hannah (Digital Marketing Manager) ran a workshop on the effective use of social media. She opened the eyes of our children to the advantages and disadvantages of the way they use social media when it comes to applying for jobs.

The National Citizenship Service ran an interesting and inspiring workshop about the NCS Challenge and how it could give our children the skills that employers value and build their confidence. It is also something that can enhance university applications.



As well as the workshops, each child had the opportunity to have a 20-minute mock interview with a visitor from a local business. The children wore what they felt was appropriate for an interview and were given constructive verbal and written feedback. For most of our children, this was their first experience of an interview. There were many people that volunteered to conduct these interviews and I would like to thank them all for offering their time and expertise.

Esure, Police, IMC Worldwide, Reigate and Banstead Council, Millsted Care, VM Ware, Barclays and many more.

It was a busy but fun and rewarding day and all the visitors were very complimentary about our children. Thank you to all the visitors, not just the ones already mentioned but also Russell and Richard from Sky, Hannah from Jellyfish, Elaine and Robin from Citizens Advice and the NCS.

Mrs Grew
Careers Officer



CAREERS

EAST SURREY COLLEGE OPENING DAYS

East Surrey College is opening its doors for an opportunity to look around the facilities and discuss courses with lecturers.

Thursday 11 th October 2018	17:30 - 20:00
Saturday 17 th November 2018	10:00 - 14:00
Wednesday 27 th February 2019	17:30 - 19:30
Saturday 15 th June 2019	10:00 - 13:00

VISIT US AT OUR OPEN EVENT

- Welcome talk from Jayne Dickinson, Principal and Chief Executive and Kevin Standish, Deputy Principal, Curriculum and Standards
- Apprenticeship information talk
- Higher Education information talk
- Discuss the best course for your chosen career
- Access advice and guidance on English & Maths qualifications
- Tour our top quality facilities and discover our range of support services
- Take part in interactive activities around the college
- Chat to existing students and industry specialists
- Find out how work experience and employability skills are embedded into all our courses
- Apply for your place!

"The quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good"

Ofsted Report, January 2015

"Teachers focus strongly on supporting students to develop employability skills through work experience or work-related projects"

Ofsted Report, January 2015

OFSTED RATED OUTSTANDING AREAS:

- Early Years & Playwork
- Health & Social Care
- Media & Communication
- Visual Arts

PRE-REGISTER ONLINE

www.esc.ac.uk

East Surrey College, Gatton Point, London Road, Redhill, Surrey RH1 2JX

CAREERS ADVICE IN SURREY – WHAT'S YOUR NEXT MOVE PORTAL

For full time study, work, apprenticeships or training options, Surrey's Participation Team offer advice and guidance around any aspect of post 16 options. Some of the features of this portal include:

- A FAQ section for parents/carers and young people
- A news and events section
- Participation information for those with SEND
- Volunteering information



Whether you need inspiration to help you decide what to do with your future or whether you're just looking for a bit of advice, the "What's your next move?" portal can help.

CAREERS GUIDANCE

We have a careers section on the school website which contains useful information regarding college open events, up and coming careers events at Reigate School, details regarding apprenticeships and how to search and apply for them along with links to useful websites. There is also a link to a quiz which is fun to take and will give children an idea of what kind of careers will suit their personalities. Go to Academic-Careers or Academic-Option at post 16 for details of local college open events. Below are some other very useful websites which have plenty of information regarding further education, apprenticeships and careers choices plus interview techniques and many other tips.

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Apprenticeships

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