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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

I would like to thank you for your patience and cooperation in quickly returning all the data forms to help us rebuild our systems. It is a slow process but we have plans in place and are rebuilding our systems.

It is now a requirement for all schools to have a lockdown procedure in place. We had our first practice this week which went very smoothly with all children safe and accounted for in a very short amount of time.

We toured our last set of prospective children and their parents around the school this morning. The tours are always very popular and a great opportunity to experience what the school is like during lessons. Our next tours will be offered in January.

Enjoy half term.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT		
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT		
Year 7	Bobby Munro for making an excellent poppy from wool ready for the school poppy display.	
Year 8	Abigail Harthill for welcoming a new starter to our school and making her feel very welcome.	
Year 9	Finlay Garrett for a fantastic start to the year.	
Year 10	Nayana Brathwaite for going above and beyond with her assistance at the KS3 homework club.	
Year 11	Skye Thornback for her excellent work in Maths.	

UPCOMING DATES

HALF TERM Monday 29th October Wednesday 31st October MFL trip to Barcelona

KS4 Philosophy talk at Reigate Grammar School

Shakespeare Schools Festival GCSE Climbing Course at K2

NOTICES

FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL YEAR 11 PARENTS AND CARERS

Please be aware that the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) requires <u>all Year 11 children</u> to be available until the 27th June 2019. This is because an awarding body (exam board) may need to invoke its contingency plan which would require children to go into their school up until the 27th June 2019.

In light of this, please do not book holidays that begin before the 27th June 2019 or other events that would mean your child would be unable to come into school.

STUDENT SERVICES

We seem to have an awful lot of unclaimed lost property. If you are missing anything, please ask your children to come and check if we have it. It would be really useful if items could be named so that we can reunite lost items with their owners. Thank you.

NEWS AND EVENTS

HISTORY HOMEWORK

Year 7 were set a challenge to celebrate the Battle of Hastings anniversary on the 14th October in cake form. It was optional so we were really impressed with the number of children that got involved. Here are some of the amazing creations.

Reported by Miss Wesby

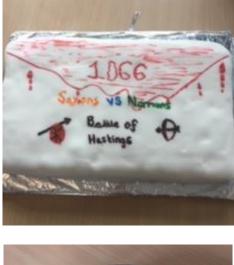


















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YEAR 7 SCIENCE HOMEWORK

Forms 7MMA and Year 7TSG produced some amazing science homework this week. They were asked to make a model of an animal or plant cell, labelling the key parts.

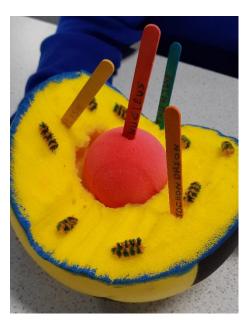
The whole class produced fantastic work making models out of jelly, footballs, polystyrene, bath sponges, shoe boxes and even made edible cakes! I am really pleased with all their hard work and effort; they are all super stars.

Reported by Ms Hudson

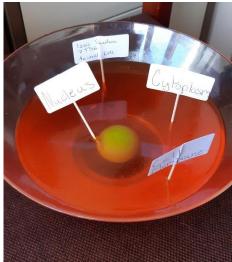




PLANT AND ANIMAL CELLS
FROM FORMS 7MMA AND 7TSG









VOICE IN A MILLION WORKSHOP

The children were very lucky today to have a workshop with Jo Gruffalo from Voice in a Million.

The choir were in perfect voice and sung through a mixture of old and very new songs.



NEWS AND EVENTS

VIRTUAL REALITY TALK AT REIGATE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



Reigate Grammar school very kindly invited a few of our Year 10s to a virtual reality presentation by a renowned speaker, Dominic Collins, General Manager International at Jaunt. We were presented with how the very first headset we see today can develop in the future to something as subtle as a pair of glasses. He spoke to us about the waves of technology (PC, internet, mobile, VR/MR/AR) and how it moulds our society today. We learnt about the future development of the brand and how it could be used in everyday life as an iPhone replacement; enabling us to see our social lives through our eyes, similar to a hologram. Ava said "I thought it was interesting how they linked the first ever smartphone to the bulkiness of the current VR headset.

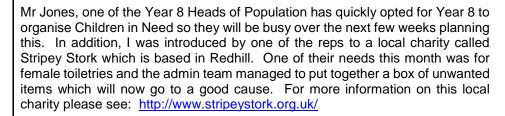
The speech was a clear way of portraying our future and its involvement with virtual reality. It was a weird concept that our lives are revolving round it. We were completely immersed throughout the presentation and were buzzing with excitement afterwards so thank you to Reigate Grammar for giving us the opportunity and to Mr Junkison for accompanying us.



Reported by Hannah Corlett

CHARITY WORK

Last week I met with the newly elected charity reps to discuss their ideas for this academic year. Oscar and Etienne, head boy and girl, were also in attendance and there were some excellent ideas about who they would like to support this







Year 11

Efan Fisher

Alan Gareeb

Finn Parker

Herbie Clarke

Oliver Smith

Joshua Tite

Zak Hammond

Courtney Rose

HEGARTYMATHS

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



Year 10

Top 10 Correct Answers 12th - 19th October

Year 7 Year 8 **Brendon Worcester** Eleanor Warner Thomas Goodbourn Ella Johnson Finley Dixon Kirstie Milne Cameron Turner Sadie Jenkins Abigail Kennedy Aydan Wright Lulu Salgado Jack Ireland Lily Woodhams Eva Smallman Chloe Lacey Luke Burgess Madeline Friday Zain Leach James Musk Amelia Saunders Sebastian Hooper Diogo Tome Tunus Henriksson Sophie Day Connor Fahey Binal Chudasama Holly Holman Hannah Ruffle Rhys Woodford Beth Hammond **Evelyn Salisbury Bailey Durrant** Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Harry Brooker Jonothan Mugford Lily Fretwell Maksymilian Brzozowski Harry Roberts Jessica Chapman Ella-Mai Turtle Abudi Bala Amari Buckley-Sheldon

Year 9

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES



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To book please visit www.reigatebanstead.gov.uk/schoolhols to complete a booking form and return it by email to the activity provider.

- Once you have received confirmation that a space is available, make payment directly with the activity provider. If you have any questions about your booking, please contact the activity provider directly.
- If you are in receipt of benefits or if you have a looked after child you may be entitled to a 50% discount. To apply, please email your booking form to leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk so that we can check your eligibility.
- If you have any questions please contact Reigate
 & Banstead Borough Council on 01737 276322.

What's on this October?		
Mon 22	Show in a Day: Step into the magical world of wizardry and witchcraft in a race against time to save the world. This dance, drama and singing workshop is based on the book and newly released film, The House with a Clock in its Walls. Reigate Methodist Community Centre, 53 High Street, Reigate, RH2 9AE 8-13 years, 10am-3pm (Informal performance at 2.45pm) £25 (half price for siblings)	
Tues 23	Glow in the Dark Squash: Learn this fast and furious game under UV lights with music! Donyngs Leisure Centre, Linkfield Lane, Redhill, RH1 1DP 7-10 years, 1.10pm-2.40pm 11-15 years, 2.40pm-4.10pm £8	
Wed 24	Conker Craft: Hunt for conkers in the park then turn them into crafts! The Pavilion, Priory Park, Reigate, RH2 7RL 5-10 years, 10.30am-12pm Free. No booking required, all children must be accompanied by an adult.	
	Trampolining: Learn how to perform a straddle, swivel hips and front landing. Tadworth Leisure and Community Centre, Preston Manor Road, Tadworth, KT20 5FB 7- 10 years, 1.30pm-3pm 11-15 years, 3pm-4.30pm £8	
	Girls' Rugby Taster Session: Try this fun and energetic sport! Old Reigatian's Rugby Club, Geoffrey Knight Fields, Park Lane, Reigate, RH2 8JX 7- 12 years, 6pm-7pm 13-18 years, 7pm-8pm Free, no booking required Contact: david.mcguigan@oldreigatianrfc.com	
Thurs 25	Family Virtual Golf Simulator: Experience the fun of golf indoors. Let's Golf, 59-61 Brighton Rd, Horley, RH6 7HJ 5 years-adult, 10am-11am and 11am-12pm £5.99 All children must be accompanied by a participating and paying adult. Advance booking required, call 01293 826800	
Fri 26	Wheely Fun: Bring your bike for a free bike check, bike treasure hunt, bling your bike competition and make a smoothie on our Smoothie Bike. Preston Park, Preston Manor Road, Tadworth, KT20 5FB 5-10 years, 10.30am-12pm Free. No booking required, all children must be accompanied by an adult.	
Sat 27	Take Part Arts Festival: Drama, dance and singing workshops with an evening gala performance. The Harlequin Theatre, Warwick Road, Redhill, RH1 1NN 7-10 years, £15 11-18 years, £25 Book online; www.artstakepart.org Tickets to see the gala performance are available from the Harlequin Theatre box office. email info@artstakepart.org if you have any questions about the event.	

FENCING IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC



Liam recently travelled to Liberec in the Czech Republic for the first European Under 14 fencing competition of the new season. He was up against competitors from the home nation, Germany, Slovenia and Poland.

After the preliminary poule stages he had won 9 fights and lost just the 1. In the knockout stages he convincingly beat a fencer from Germany in the round of 64 setting up a match against an experienced local fencer. Coming from 6 points behind, with some strong decisive attacks he came out victorious, winning 15-14. In the round of 16 he came up against the German number one who unfortunately proved to be too strong.

Liam finished a brilliant 13th out of 79 fencers.



SURREY SPORTS AWARDS

Congratulations to Alex who was awarded Young Volunteer of the Year at the Reigate and Banstead Sports Awards 2018. "Alex is a dedicated helper at Reigate Women FC. He is there every week, coaching, supporting and guiding the players. As our numbers have grown since the club was founded, so Alex's responsibilities have grown. He is too young to do any FA coaching courses yet, but is laying the groundwork early and is an asset to the club."

Congratulations also to Mrs Mayo for her Volunteer of the Year award. She has coached the Reigate and Banstead representative netball team for 10 years at these games. Many players from Reigate School have attended the free training and have been selected for the team.





REIGATE SCHOOL GIRLS' RUGBY TEAM START WITH FLOURISHING SUCCESS

Three Year 8 girls and seven Year 7's played in their first ever festival representing Reigate School on Thursday 11th October at Oasis Academy in Coulsdon. They were one of four teams, each with varying ability from schools who are seeing a gradual rise in girls playing the sport.

Our first match was against Oasis Academy's B Team. Within the first few minutes it was clear that Reigate dominated the game. Tackles flying in hard from all girls with great use of the wingers when attacking meant that Lily, Olivia and Elsie amongst others were able to get the ball over the try line safely, resulting in a win for our first ever game by 5 tries to 0.

With a 20 minute break under our belt and deep analysis of the opposing teams, we were up again, this time to Oasis' A Team. We started the game more defensively where we worked hard to keep the ball from the opposition's try line. With Lily holding up our defensive line and all girls working hard as a team to maintain this, Oasis struggled to get past. Then it was our turn. Some outstanding passing by the girls, which were timed to perfection, lead us to our first try. Our second came from Lily with her pirouette moves which allowed her to dodge around the defence. At full time the score was 3-0, another success with a clean slate.







A 5 minute break and we were back on the pitch for our 3rd and final game. The main aim was to score more tries and keep a clean sheet. Well we certainly started as we meant to go on. Technically perfect passing, grit and determination, fearless tackles, particularly from Olivia and overall outstanding rugby resulted in a win of 6 tries to 0. Rose, Elsie (aka whippet) and both Lilys were among the scorers, however this would not have been possible without the hard work and outstanding team work from every player on the pitch.

It was an absolute honour to be part of their first ever rugby game for Reigate School where I felt immense pride for these girls and their performance. Although the girls train at school on a Tuesday, they all play together at Old Reigations and it is easy to see that they have already built up a strong relationship where they have a great understanding of how each other work and are 100% supportive of one another. Their technical ability is the best I have ever seen from such a young age which has to be down to the high quality training they do down at the club.

If any other girls are interested in playing for the school or club, please pop down to PE where we can help get them started. Well done girls, let's see if we can keep this clean sheet in the next festival!!

Mrs Corder

Team list: Gwen S, Lily G, Lily W, Izzie S, Elsie P, India P, Emily C, Rose L, Olivia R and Arabella B.

YEAR 8 FOOTBALL MATCH V OXTED SCHOOL Thursday 27th September 2018

It was a new season for Reigate School's Year 8 football team. With the first match against The Warwick School being postponed until the new year, this was a real test for the boys as they kick start their league campaign. With a fresh formation, the match kicked off and from the outset Oxted School dominated. Possession, passing, tackling, movement and goal scoring were controlled by a big Oxted side which saw them lead at half time 2-0.

Changes had to be made but with only 11 players available on the day, only the formation was tinkered with. Some wise words imparted from a wise man were offered, trying to install belief and passion in what appeared to be an ever increasingly downhearted side.

Conceding a penalty early in the second half putting them 3-0 down threw all the best laid plans out the window. Despite the scoreline, William Loft managed to pull a goal back but his moment was cut tragically short. Oxted, within moments, scored a fourth and heads well and truly dropped. The final scoreline was 5-1 to Oxted.

Klopp, Pochettino, Mourinho and now Simmonds-Dance - all great managers in their own right have all had to turn things around, this certainly won't be the exception!

Team: Sam Roberts, Callan Wood (MoM), Sam Potten, Oscar Hough, Diogo Tome, Jack Howland, Farhad Ashrafi, James Cattermole, Henry Woods, Lucas Flatt and William Loft.

SURREY SCHOOLS' RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS





On Saturday 29th September Reigate School's intermediate swim team took part in the Surrey Schools Relay Championships at the Spectrum, Guildford.

A special thank you to Mrs Gatland who was running our squad at poolside. This is what she had to say: "It was a fantastic event with many of the swimmers achieving personal bests. We had great results overall with strong team spirit and impeccable behaviour." Well done to Oliver, Jay, Toby, Adam, Holly, Katie, Emily and Lauren.

YEAR 7 NETBALL

The Year 7 netball teams had their first match last Thursday against The Royal Alexander and Albert School. They were nervous about playing teams who had already beaten two other schools and were more experienced in the 7 a side game.

Some girls had yet to play a school match but they all enjoyed the competition. Both teams had excellent footwork skills and passed the ball around the court well. On the A team Eleni was awarded player of the match; she made a lot of interceptions and worked tirelessly to get the ball up the court. Mathilde, Tamar and Lilly all had a chance to shoot and Elsa and Isabelle changed around at WA and WD. Sienna played a good game at GK timing her interceptions well. On the B team Tilly was player of the match and Enya, Sophia C, Sophie, Maya, Isabelle and Sophia B all did brilliant jobs of getting the ball around the court. They never lost their determination and changed around positions to give others a taste of playing in the circle. Great team work girls.

Unfortunately, both teams lost with scores of 11-2 (A Team) and 7-1 (B Team) but I am sure as they gain in experience the score line will improve. We have the beginnings of a good group of netballers. Watch this space.

GCSE CLIMBING COURSE

The new cohort of GCSE Climbers have settled well into their course. They have instantly picked up the new skills and had the opportunity to test them out using the auto belay walls. This has given us lots of practice whilst waiting to be supervised on the real climbing wall. Some outstanding and surprising talent has been recognised in those managing the overhang so early on. We have picked up the knots, the tying in and the theoretical side of things quickly too. Hopefully we are on the way to getting some good additional GCSE Practical grades. Recording of evidence has begun so ensure that you are looking good for it and remember your candidate number. You may not even have time for cheesy chips!







SWIMMING GALA

It was a glorious day for our first Lower Junior and Junior Gala held at The Royal Alexander and Albert School Wednesday 26th September and an exciting and nervous journey for our new members to the team. We were first to arrive and keen to get into the pool for our warmup. Katie was quick to take charge of the junior girls whilst Ollie and Jack sorted out the junior boys' team without a fuss!



The gala ran smoothly with lots of first place finishes in the heats. Our best placement overall was by Ben, a new recruit, achieving a first place in the lower junior boys' butterfly. We had lots more incredible performances, too many to note. Lower Junior Boys – 4th, Junior Boys – 5th, Lower Junior Girls – 6th, Junior Girls – 5th.

Well done to Jack, Oliver, Katie, Ben, Luke, Eleni, Spiros, Amelia, Eleanor, Nina, Lissy, Izzy and Gwen.

We are still looking for more swimmers to join our squad. If you are interested, please come and make yourself known to Mrs Jones in the PE Department. All swimming gala dates are on the fixtures notice board outside the PE office.

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, and 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.

OTHER NEWS

CONSULTATION ON ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR SURREY'S COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS FOR 2020

Surrey County Council is consulting on:

- proposed changes to admission arrangements for some community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2020
- the admission arrangements for all remaining community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2020
- Surrey's relevant area this is the area within which schools must consult on their admission arrangements

Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are available at Surrey Says (www.surreysays.co.uk).

Why are we consulting?

We have a statutory duty to consult on admission arrangements if we intend to make a change.

The changes being proposed are as follows:

- 1. Furzefield Primary School reduction in published admission number for Reception from 60 to 58
- Wallace Fields Junior School change to the points used to measure each child's nearest school and home to school distance so these will be calculated according to the nearest gate for either Wallace Fields Infant or Wallace Fields Junior school rather than just those for Wallace Fields Junior School
- 3. **Criterion 2 for children with an exceptional social/medical need –** provision for children previously in state care outside England to be given priority within this criterion

How can I respond to the consultation?

The consultation will run until Monday 19 November 2018. Anyone wishing to submit their views should complete an online response form. Alternatively paper response forms are available by telephoning the Surrey Schools and Childcare Service on 0300 200 1004. Please note that only response forms which are fully completed with the respondent's name and address will be accepted.

What happens next?

After the closing date, responses will be collated and presented to Surrey County Council's decision making Cabinet on 29 January 2019. Its decision will then need to be ratified by the full County Council on 5 February 2019. Once determined the final admission arrangements will be placed on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

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.

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



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.







www.barclayslifeskills.com

www.apprenticeships.org.uk

www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk





www.notgoingtouni.co.uk

www.icould.com