Reigate School

NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

On Thursday Year 9 were invited to the Harlequin Theatre for a talk from Surrey Police. The intention was to raise awareness of varying issues children are facing in Surrey today. Their behaviour was impeccable both in and out of the theatre. Year 8s had an NHS careers performance which was also well received.

Performing Arts took a group of children to the Gillian Lynne Theatre in London to see a performance of School of Rock. The children had an amazing time. The coach driver kindly took a detour so the Children could see the Christmas lights. Performing Arts also had a dance trip to the Royal Albert Hall to see a performance of INFRA. A full report of both trips will be in next week's newsletter.

Mr Alexander

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SPOTLIGHT		
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT		
Year 7	Mia Lambert for her excellent work in Science.	
Year 8	Alex Cheung for raising money by selling merchandise for Children in Need.	
Year 9	Bertie Bramhan for his amazing story writing in English.	
Year 10	Sophie Cawtheray for braving her Head Girl assembly on her own this week, as her partner was unfortunately	
	unwell. It took a lot of courage to stand in front of the whole year group by herself.	
Year 11	Rory Copperthwaite for being a supportive friend	

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7NMO
Year 8	8PBO
Year 9	9BSD
Year 10	10MKI
Year 11	11RHI

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 26th November Y10 Volunteer event at YMCA Sovereign Centre Question Time at the Town Hall

Performing Arts Trip to St. Martin's Theatre to see The Mousetrap

Thursday 29th November Year 8 Christmas Disco

NOTICES

YEAR 8 CHRISTMAS DISCO

Please be advised that the date for the Year 8 Christmas disco has been changed from Wednesday 5th December to Thursday 29th November.

ROAD CLOSURES

We have been informed by SGN Gas Network that there is a closure on Church Road between the junction of Pendleton Road and Fountain Road for an estimated seven weeks.

CHILD EXPLOITATION ONLINE PROTECTION (CEOP) - TIP 2

ONLINE SAFETY - NEW UPDATED PARENT INFO WEBSITE

You may be interested to view the new Parent Info website, which has information supported by CEOP and Parent Zone. It has recently been improved for easier navigation. There are a range of topics to explore including Games Apps and Tech, Parenting, Safety and Settings, Health and Wellbeing and more.

This useful website can be viewed by visiting: www.parentinfo.org



NEWS AND EVENTS

COMEDY ABOUT A BANK ROBBERY

On the 15th November 32 Year 9s studying GCSE Drama travelled to the Criterion Theatre to see a performance of 'A Comedy about a Bank Robbery' performed by the Mischief Theatre group.

The children were a credit to the school and a supportive, polite and intelligent portion of the audience. The play itself was superb and the children were enthralled from beginning to end.

A few audience members commented on how well the children behaved and a couple remarked 'He seems to be loving it!' as Milan rocked backwards and forwards in fits of giggles.

If you haven't seen the show I can highly recommend it. My thanks goes to the ladies in the finance office who helped make the trip possible and to Mr Jones and Miss Hillier who joined us on the trip.

Reported by Mr Kirby





HEGARTYMATHS

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



Top 10 Correct Answers 16th - 23rd November

Year 7

Sophia Crabtree
Niamh Stokes
Emma Shaw
Tia Obeng-Mensah
Freddie Ruby
James Symonds
Beatrice Clementson
Joshua Saunders
Brooke Meaney
Jessica Scriven

Year 8

Jamie Monshall
Sophie Darragh
Charlie Seymour
Jessica Chapman
Reuben Watson
Ruby Finnigan
Reece Langley
Zachary Lynn
Fariya Seema
Haydn Kenchington-Miles

Year 9

Alistair Bell
Tia Hunter-Haschka
Iris McAuliffe
Frederick Fowler
Harvey Durward
Holly Nixon
Jacob Charlton
Alice Perrett
Samuel Garvey
Thomas Goodbourn

Year 10

Liam Barry
Kirstie Milne
Gemma Alstrom
Emily Hetherington
Megan Casse
Jake Coombes
Anisa Rahman
Ella Rodd
Onnen Denman Tanner
Alexandra Mesure

Year 11

Morgan Musgrove
Polly Hather
Natasha Maynard Reeves
Emily Ansell
Mohammed Ahmed
James Ainsworth
Dru Tunstall
Hayden Lodge
Orla McAuliffe
Caspar Pierce

VACANCIES

CARETAKER AT HOLMESDALE INFANT SCHOOL

We are looking for a friendly and conscientious caretaker to join our infant school team. This is a permanent position for 40 hours a week, Monday to Friday from 7am to 4pm, with 1 hour unpaid for lunch. For more information please follow the link below to the eteach website or call our school office on 01737 243678.

https://www.eteach.com/job/caretaker-1016163?lang=en-GB&frmsrh=Y

SPORTS NEWS

YEAR 10 NETBALL

On Monday 19th November, Year 10 had a fixture against St Bede's School. We had a rough start with Emily scoring our first and only goal in the first half. With a quick switch up in positions we were back on track and in the final quarter Toni decided to roll off the court with the ball but in the end we won 11-7.

Well done to all the girls. Abbie was player of the match and it was Megan's first ever game – amazing.

Reported by Toni, Scarlett and Lara



YEAR 8 NETBALL

The Year 8 netball team saw victory in their triumphant win against The Warwick School earlier this week. It was an excruciatingly close game with both teams scoring highly. The first quarter saw the Reigate team 1 goal up which Warwick quickly countered in the second quarter, putting them in the lead. With tensions rising the score was tied at the end of the third quarter leaving it all to play for. Warwick's attack was good, but our defence was stronger. Pairing this with Luci and Zara's incredible shooting, we narrowly took the lead and deservedly won our hardest fought and highest scoring game yet. Special mention to Zara who received player of the match from the other team.

Reported by Miss Stevens



SAFEGUARDING

THINKUKNOW



Thinkuknow is an education programme from the National Crime Agency's CEOP Command. Since 2006, Thinkuknow has been keeping children and young people safe by providing education about sexual abuse and sexual exploitation. Thinkuknow is unique. It is underpinned by the latest intelligence about child sex offending from CEOP Command. Thinkuknow aims to ensure that everyone has access to this practical information – children, young people, their parents and carers and the professionals who work with them. Alongside the Thinkuknow website the programme provides educational resources, including films, cartoons and lesson plans, to help parent/carers and professionals raise young people's awareness.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk

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 Head of School 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.

YEAR 11 GCSE EXAM NOTICE

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.

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.

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