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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

I am pleased to announce that after a gruelling interview process over the last few days we have appointed a team of six outstanding candidates to represent our school throughout 2019. They are as follows:

Head Girl	Aliyah Snape
Head Boy	Ethan Monk
Deputy Head Girls	Hayley Bell and Hannah Corlett
Deputy Head Boys	Joseph Critchlow and Owen Hunt

They will start their responsibilities along with a new team of Senior Prefects and Prefects when we return to school in January after the Christmas break.

The Year 11 football team played away against the Warwick School this week and drew 4-4. I was very impressed with the boys' effort and attitude in a game of high quality.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Chloe A – 7SJO for gaining a bronze at the Open British TaeKwon Do Championships in Scotland.
Year 8	Archie Jones who has had a great start to the year with 68 achievement points.
Year 9	William Brewis who always does his best and is doing really well in all his subjects this year.
Year 10	Ethan Monk, Aliyah Snape, Joseph Critchlow, Owen Hunt, Hayley Bell and Hannah Corlett for their new appointments.
Year 11	Faith Garrett for working hard in Science.

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7TSG
Year 8	8CWO
Year 9	9LSW
Year 10	10EWL
Year 11	11BHI

UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 4 th December	Choir and 9SCA serving refreshments at Woodhatch Community Centre.
Wednesday 5 th December	Year 11 interviews at East Surrey College.
Thursday 6 th December	Year 10 GCSE Art trip to the Tate Britain.
	Year 7 Christmas Disco in the hall.
Friday 7 th December	Carol Concert at Reigate Baptist Church.

CHILD EXPLOITATION ONLINE PROTECTION (CEOP) – TIP 3

ONLINE SAFETY AND SOCIAL MEDIA

When it comes to Social Media our young people are ahead of the game. The Common Sense website has tips and tools to help parents and carers get 'an inside look at their teenager's social media lives'.

Although Common Sense is an American based website, in reality children all around the world use social media in much the same way. In the November 2017 report from Ofcom (UK), it stated that 83% of young people aged 12 - 15 have their own smartphone. The mobile telephone plays an important part in the life of young people from how they stay in touch with their friends, to how they engage with the world. As educators, we are always looking at ways to support our young people and parents/carers - click on the link below to take an inside look at teenagers' social media lives.

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/what-teens-really-think-about-their-social-media-lives>

Another useful website with a very comprehensive breakdown of the T&C's from the 5 major social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, Whatsapp, Snapchat) highlights the rights of the child and the rules/rights of the network which is a real eye opener for parents! [Simplified social media terms and conditions](#) (from the Children's Commissioner)

CARNEGIE BOOK CLUB TRIP

On Monday 19th November the Carnegie Book Club went to the Everyman Cinema in Reigate to see the new Fantastic Beasts film written by JK Rowling. Subtitled 'The Crimes of Grindelwald', it is the second film in this series of five exploring the life of Newt Scamander – the author of one of Harry Potter's text books.

It was a great pleasure to meet with familiar characters and locations from both the Harry Potter book/film series and the previous Fantastic Beasts film. I really enjoyed discovering new facts about the past life of characters we had only known before as mature adults and meeting characters we had heard about before but never actually met on page or screen. - Mrs Scotton



Fantastic Beasts was a great film: I found the graphics and special effects amazing. I also found the plot twists breathtaking. I'm really looking forward to the next film as 'Crimes of Grindelwald' was left on a cliffhanger. - Alberta Merry

The film was fantasmogorical [sic]. The characters are well written, the graphics are phenomenal and the storyline is extremely exciting and full of plot twists. It includes lots of the classic Harry Potter characters such as Dumbledore, McGonagall and Nicolas Flamel. I would recommend it to everyone. - Samuel Garvey

Personally I believe that the film was OK. It had some excellent special effects and a superb third act; however, the first two [acts] were fairly mediocre. A lot of the characters seem to act peculiarly. Overall, I'd say to give it a watch. - Joseph Critchlow

The film was great: full of plot twists and excellent storyline. There were lots of brilliant characters and amazing special effects. An all-round good movie. - Thomas Goodbourn

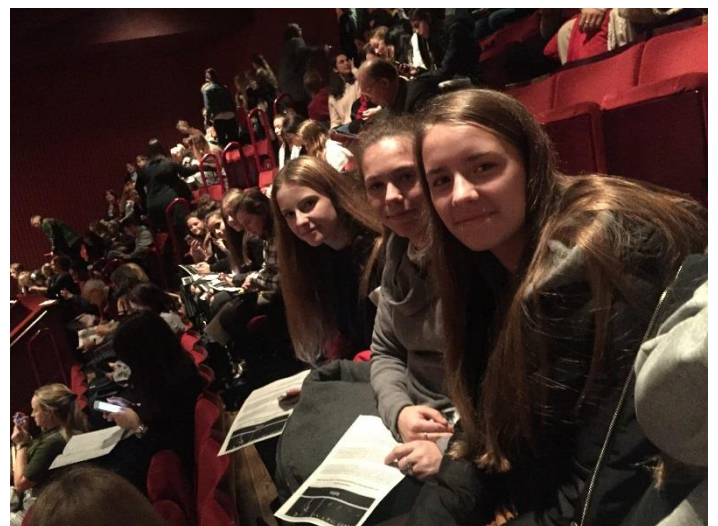
DANCE TRIP TO THE ROYAL OPERA HOUSE

Last Tuesday 20th November, the GCSE dancers took a trip to London's famous Royal Opera House to see the Royal Ballet perform. They graced the stage with three separate performances; 'The Unknown Soldier', 'Infra' and 'Symphony in C'. Infra is one of six professional works studied at GCSE level and it was a fantastic opportunity to see it taken from the big screen to a live performance in this iconic venue.

Not only did we witness such beautiful dancing, gorgeous costumes and a theatre to beat all theatres but we were also able to see Covent Garden in all its Christmas splendour.

Thank you to Miss Hiller and Mrs Wardlow for joining us in London and helping to make this a trip to remember.

Reported by Miss Swift



NOTICES

CANTEEN

As you may be aware, we have been experiencing difficulties with the canteen systems. At the end of last week a free school meal allowance of £2.35 was applied to over 700 accounts in error. The IT and catering teams are working with Cunninghams, the provider to resolve this issue. You may notice a figure of this amount being applied and then taken off your child's account. If you notice anything else untoward, please let us know and we will investigate.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

As in previous years, Reigate School will be donating Christmas Food Hampers to local families this year.

If you would like to make a donation, please drop any non-perishable items to Reception. Thank you.



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	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Isabelle Walker Niamh Stokes Brendon Worcester Rose Lacey Grace Weids Maddy Friday Cameron Turner Keira Fenton Spencer Hawley Lily-Rae Sepulveda	Alex Cheung Arda Albay Troy Jacobs Jessica Chapman Paige Denham Isabelle Cochrane Emma Knight Ruby Finnigan Alexa Hyde Azaan Masood	Zuzanna Skiba Chloe Lacey Sadie Jenkins Veronika Ramm Grace Woodhams Nikita Izbrodin Holly Nixon Hannah Ruffle Tunus Henriksson Alistair Bell	Kirstie Milne Ella Rodd Liam Barry Daisy Hobbs Emily Hetherington Maya Smith Onnen Denman Tanner Luke Burgess Abudi Bala Amber Knight	Efan Fisher Arminas Brasas Henry Clarke Oscar Picking Raife Eskisan Joshua Stopher Holly Goodbourn Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Hannah Dennis Kayleigh Burchett

NEWS AND EVENTS

BRONZE FOR CHLOE

On Saturday 24th November, I participated in the Open British TaeKwon Do Championships in Scotland. There were 721 competitors, some from as far away as India. Some competitors had cute and funny Scottish accents.

I did Special Technique and Pattern (Special Technique is when you jump over 1+ metre high bars and kick a pad; Pattern is when you do different types of set movements in a particular order). I then did Sparring which is when you fight people with pads, to protect you. When I was Sparring, my mum was standing at the side of the ring acting like a woman possessed trying to get into a hot bath (ohhh, ahh, ehheh, kick, punch, go Chloe!!).

I walked away with a Bronze medal in Sparring and a punch to the eye for my troubles. It was a wonderful and worthwhile experience!!

Reported by Chloe – 7SJO





Christmas Menu 2018



Wednesday 12 December

**Roast British Turkey Breast with Chef's Stuffing,
Cocktail Sausage & Roast Gravy**

or

Vegetarian Wellington v

accompanied by

Crispy Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables

followed by

Festive Chocolate Sundae v

£2.35 (inc. VAT £2.82)

Tickets are on sale in the canteen.

Payment can be made by either cash or debited from account.

Last day for ordering is Monday 10 December 18.

If you are a Free School Meal please ensure you collect your ticket.

Please note Christmas Dinner is the only option available for 2nd break on this day.



SURREY

CHRISTMAS BALL

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7 P M - 9 . 3 0 P M
Be home before midnight.

Dress code: Smart
Advance tickets ONLY

Tickets
£3

 **Reigate Baptist Church**

SYCAMORE WALK, REIGATE RH2 7LR

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SPORTS NEWS

YEAR 10 Netball

On Tuesday 27th November the Year 10 netball team braved the torrential rain to play Caterham away. They showed excellent team work and resilience in the unfortunate conditions, maintaining a good tempo right to the very end. I am super proud of the girls. Their performance was very impressive especially considering the weather where even our travelling spectator and scorekeeper, Libby (wearing 3 coats) was soaked through! To play Caterham away and score five is a huge achievement - final score was 11-5.

Reported by Miss Wall



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 all Year 11 children 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

YEAR 11 SPEAKER FOR SCHOOLS

Brian Sinclair from Fidelity International presented an extended assembly to our Year 11 children about the importance of professional relationships. He gave tips on how to start learning the skill of developing effective relationships at school which will help the children throughout their time at college, university and into the workplace.

It was interesting to listen to an employer talk about this skill which is so valued in the workplace.

Mrs Grew
Careers Officer



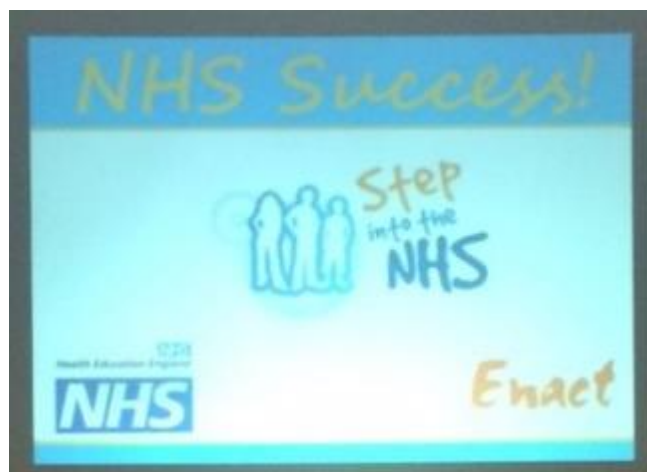
STEP INTO THE NHS - DRAMA PRODUCTION

Year 8 were treated to a fun and lively performance which aimed to inform the children about the varied career opportunities within the NHS. It was fast paced, entertaining and informative. The children were interested to realise that many of the positions available were not only at degree level but can also be obtained by studying an apprenticeship.

Apart from the normal medical jobs that are readily associated with the NHS they were informed about many of the background positions that are necessary for the smooth running of a hospital/medical centre.

For more information check out the "step into the NHS" website.

<https://www.stepintothens.nhs.uk/>



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

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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www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com