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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Miss Claydon and the history department will be running assemblies next week informing the children of the events of the Holocaust. Holocaust Memorial Day is on Sunday 27th January. We also have a visit from Saltmine who are a theatre company that raise controversial issues in an engaging, respectful and thought provoking way.

I'd like to wish our cross country runners and swimmers good luck for their sporting events this weekend.

We look forward to welcoming our Year 11 parents and carers to our Parents' Evening on Thursday 24th January.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7 Anna Theodossiou for her spectacular drama homework.

Year 8 Mani Reynolds for a massive improvement in his behaviour and effort.

Year 9 Matthew Smythe for working hard particularly in the after school homework club.

Year 10 All the Year 10s who have successfully been cast a role in the school drama production 'We Will Rock You'.

Year 11 Etienne Baker and Oscar Picking for an excellent handover of their Head Boy and Head Girl roles.

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7MDA
Year 8	8GJE
Year 9	9LSW
Year 10	10JMR
Year 11	11SMA

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7MMA, 7PDE	100%
Year 8	8CWH	99%
Year 9	9PWR	100%
Year 10	10JMR	98.7%
Year 11	11EN	98.7%

Whole School Attendance 96.1%

UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday 23 rd January	10JHU form trip to Nandos, Crawley.
Thursday 24 th January	Year 11 Parents' Evening.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Year 11	Thursday 24 th January
Year 9	Thursday 31 st January
Year 7	Thursday 7 th February (meetings will be with form tutors only)
Year 10	Thursday 28 th February
Year 8 (Options Evening)	Thursday 7 th March
Year 8	Thursday 14 th March

NOTICES

STUDENT SERVICES

Lost property: we have collected four coats, six PE bags, various clothing (uniform and non), jewellery, a set of keys and other sundry items.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL AT THE OLD VIC THEATRE

On Tuesday 8th January a group of Year 10 and 11 children travelled up to The Old Vic Theatre in London to see A Christmas Carol. This is based on the book of the same title that the Year 11s have studied and the Year 10s will be studying next year. There were parts of the play which followed the book very closely and other interpretations which helped the children have more insight into the emotions of some of the characters. The children loved the free fruit and mince pies that were handed out at the beginning and the turkey on a zip wire was a very welcome and humorous addition.



While we were there a member of the public said: "Congratulations on having the best behaved students in the theatre. I was shocked but delighted at how many dug deep to donate after the performance." The donations were for a charity who work to provide food for some of the 4 million children living in poverty in the UK right now. All the staff who went with the children were very proud of their manners and their commitment to the trip and the play itself. They were a great credit to Reigate School. Here are some comments about the play from children who attended:

"I was really impressed with the staging, how they pulled the boxes out of the floor and turned them into seats and desks. Watching it on stage has helped me understand the emotions of the characters better." - Oliver

"It was funny and entertaining." - Nartiya

"I can't write Brenda [the name the Ghost of Christmas Present chose for herself] in my exam, but it will help me remember" - Sofia

"The play portrayed the characters, apart from Brenda, really well. They seemed to resort to comedy near the end. I liked how every ghost had a larger lantern than the one before. Marley also had a very long chain which helped me realise how bad Scrooge was." - Sander

"I thought this version of A Christmas Carol was funnier than the book because there was more comedy in it than in the actual book. I thought the interacting between the audience and the actors was funny and well executed, especially when we got free oranges." - Connor

"The trip was so atmospheric and I felt the emotions, especially in the last bit of the play. The song with the bells was amazing." - Joshua

"The play was very emotional and impactful. It was an incredible performance and was definitely worth watching." - Danielle

"I thought the lighting and the sound were really good." - Cameron

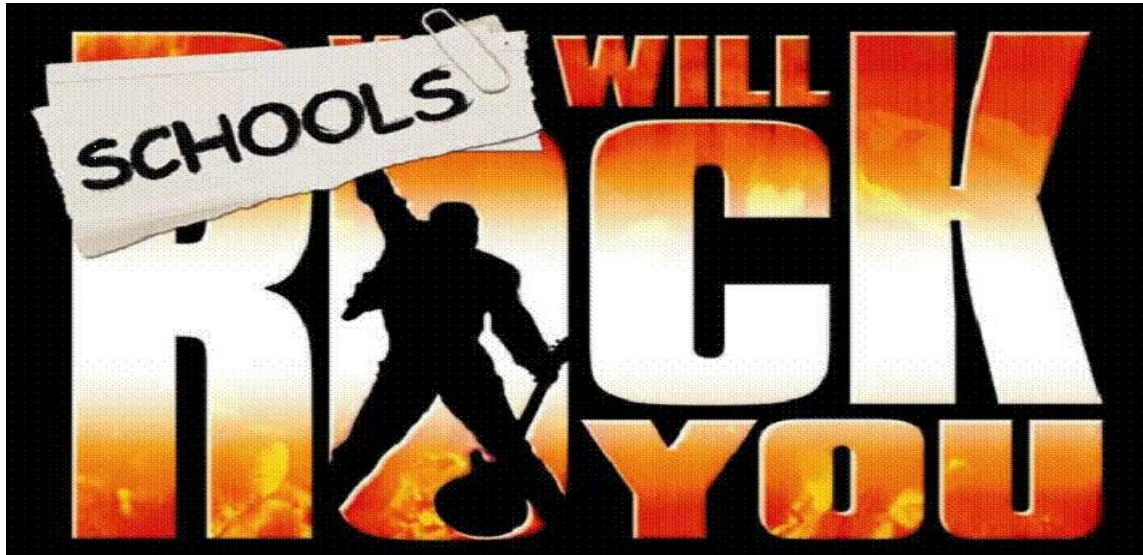
Reported by Mrs Scotton.

WE WILL ROCK YOU CAST LIST

Congratulations to all those who have been cast in the school's production of We Will Rock You. We had a really tough decision after two days of auditions. It seems to be that every year the standard of those auditioning gets better and better.

Please keep an eye on the Performing Arts notice board for more information and we will see people for rehearsals on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting on 22nd January.

Anyone who auditioned and weren't cast in specific roles will be involved in the chorus and still play a part in the production.



Galileo	Jonny Grey
Scaramouche	Ava Lenihan, Sophie Cawtheray
Britney	Bailey Durrant
Meat	Gwen Sheehan, Rose England
Pop	Emily Taylor, Sadie Jenkins
Killer Queen	Aliyah Snape, Nayana Brathwaite
Kashoggi	Joseph Critchlow, George Acheson
Big Macca (Paul McCartney)	Holly Howell
Puff	Evren Erol
Jackson 5	Susannah Wallbank
Eddie Cochrane	Ayhan Erol
Justin	Toby Driskell
Madonna	Gemma Alstrom
Cliff Richard	Alex Walters
Charlotte Church	Tia Hunter-Haschka
Bob the Builder	Finlay Garrett
The Teacher	Alice Perrett
2 cops	TBC

Dancers

Jessica Munro
Amelia Saunders
Mia Anderson
Eda Lay
Maya Chan
Hayley Ford
Megan Lodge

Teen queens

Annie Banks
Otilie Fox
Sophia Walsh
Jaimee Leigh
Greta Delany
Ami Abourezk
Caitlin Holloway
Alice Northover
Angelina Else
Hayley Bell
Francesca Manrow

Ensemble Plus

Emilia Marriott
Chloe Lacey
Lottie Wardley
Anna Ratajczak
Milly Eade
Vimbikai Chituwu
Freya Woodford

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



Top Correct Answers 11th January – 18th January

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Ivo Angelov Maddy Friday Jay Lloyd Abbey Worcester Oscar Leary Jacob Mills Keira Fenton Jude Auckloo Thomas Evans Asim Shahraz	Lucie Hather Archie Lovell-Lawson Jamie Monshall Timothy Stafford Ruby Finnigan Caitlin Holloway Sophie Darragh Reece Langley Harvey Whatling Arabella Bakker	Madeline Howland Annie Thompson Alice Perrett Paige McNulty Jack Waters Ella Sherlock Rebecca George Harvey Durward Annabel Worsfold Jade Finch	Gemma Alstrom Scarlett Pearce Anisa Rahman Hayley Ford Binal Chudasama Faith Bayode Kirstie Milne Ella Rodd Amy Brown Harvey Wood	Holly Simmons Efan Fisher Kai Coutet-Arthur Finley Lenihan Oliver Marsden Chloe Cooper Oscar Picking Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Charlotte Harris Lily Collman

SPORTS NEWS

CROSS COUNTRY

This weekend is a busy time for our athletes. On Saturday some of our Reigate School cross country runners will be representing South Surrey in the Surrey Cross Country Championships. The race is being held at Priory Park. If you would like to support any of the runners the timings are as follows:

Under 13 Girls (Year 7)	10.50 am	- Lily Woodhams
Under 13 Boys (Year 7)	11.10 am	- Samuel Stapley - Samuel Rolaston
Junior Girls (Years 8 and 9)	11.30am	
Inter & Senior Girls (Years 10 -13)	11.50 am	
Junior Boys (Years 8 and 9)	12.15 pm	- Freddie Fowler
Inter Boys (Years 10 and 11)	12:40pm	- Travis Avery
Senior Boys (Years 12 and 13)	13.15 pm	



Good Luck!

SWIMMING GALA

We also have our swimmers competing for the Surrey Schools Individuals Gala being held at the Spectrum Leisure Centre in Guildford. May I take this opportunity to remind the girls that their warm up begins at 3.30pm for a 4pm start, finishing at 6pm. The boys warm up is at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. The whole event finishes at 9pm. Good luck to Jay and Oliver Cornelius, Adam and William Gatland, Emily and Lauren Hetherington, Ben and Katie Lowther and Eleanor March.



**Calling all
11 to 18
year olds**

**Star for
a Night
Casting**

**Sunday
27 January 2019
Harlequin Theatre**
Drama: 1.30-3pm
Singing: 2-4pm
Dance: 3-5pm

10 weeks of free
professional tuition
ending with two stage
shows on 10 and 11 April 2019



Register online at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/sfan
leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk
 01737 276322

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EDUCATION AND HEALTH SEMINARS

We are pleased to be able to offer a series of Education and Health Seminars which aim to offer up to date information and advice about some of the issues we often have concerns about as professionals, parents and carers. We are offering these through our alliance with the i2i Teaching Partnership and they will be hosted in the Medici Theatre, Weydon School, Farnham.

There is a non-refundable charge of £5 per seminar and they can be booked via Eventbrite using the links below. Please print and bring your ticket since places are limited due to space. Limited parking is also available on site but please do arrive in plenty of time to guarantee a space. We hope that you will find these seminars useful and we look forward to extending a warm welcome to you at each one. The seminar titles and schedule is below:

Monday 21 st January 2019	Drugs awareness and prevention: what parents need to know about current trends	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drugs-awareness-and-prevention-what-parents-need-to-know-about-current-trends-tickets-53535779959
Monday 28 th January	The Science of Learning: how parents can support their child with their learning and revision	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-science-of-learning-how-parents-can-support-their-child-with-their-learning-and-revision-tickets-53535865214
Tuesday 29 th January	Alcohol awareness and prevention: what parents need to know about current trends	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/alcohol-awareness-and-prevention-what-parents-need-to-know-about-current-trends-tickets-5353622282
Monday 25 th February	Online safety and social media seminar	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-and-social-media-seminar-tickets-53536357687

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.

SAFEGUARDING



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>

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.

LifeSkills
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Apprenticeships

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school leavers

www.allaboutschoollleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com