## Reigate School

**NEWSLETTER** 

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Friday 15th February 2019

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

The Year 9 Parents' Evening has now been rescheduled to 28<sup>th</sup> March. The children may keep the previously arranged appointment times. If you need to make any changes, please ask your child to see the relevant teacher.

Good luck to the Young Engineers who are competing in the First Lego League National Final in Bristol tomorrow.

I hope all the staff and children have a well-deserved break over half term, recover from the various illnesses that have been doing the rounds and come back feeling rested and refreshed.

Mr Alexander

Issue No: 128

SPOTLIGHT			
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT			
Year 7	Sophie Milne for her excellent performance in every lesson this half term.		
Year 8	Niels Wijnen 8CWH for his excellent behaviour and attitude.		
Year 9	Alisha Haider for her excellent class work in English and French.		
Year 10	Maddie Parkes for her consistently positive attitude and motivation around school.		
Year 11	Curtis Young for his amazing guitar playing skills in assemblies this week.		

COMMENDATION AWARDS		
Year 7	7TMA	
Year 8	8PBO	
Year 9	9ELA	
Year 10	10HSK	
Year 11	11SMO	

BEST ATTENDANCE			
Year 7	7AFO	100%	
Year 8	8AME	100%	
Year 9	9MWE	100%	
Year 10	10JKA	99%	
Year 11	11LRD	98.4%	
Whole School Attendance 94.7%			

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## **UPCOMING DATES**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February INSET DAY

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February First Lego League National Final, Bristol

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> | HALF TERM

Tuesday 26th February Year 10 Business Workshop at University of Surrey

**KS3** District Gymnastics Competition

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February Years 7 & 8 Girls' Rugby Tournament at Effingham and Leatherhead Rugby Club.

#### PARENTS' EVENINGS

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Year 10	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February		
Year 8 (Options Evening)	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March		
Year 8	Thursday 14th March		
Year 9	Thursday 28th March		

## **NOTICES**

STUDENT SERVICES: There is an unclaimed mobile phone at student services. Please see them if you think it could be yours.

MODEL RAILWAY CLUB: If you happen to have any 00 gauge trains or track that you no longer need, the model railway club would be really happy to receive them.









As schools in Redhill and Reigate, we are collectively writing to all parents and carers at our schools to give you information about a joint initiative that we will all be undertaking with Surrey Police.

You may have heard of the term 'county lines'. A crime where gangs and organised crime networks exploit children to sell drugs. Often these children are made to travel across counties and use dedicated mobile phone lines to supply drugs.

During next term, each of our schools will be visited by a dog handler with a passive drugs dog. They will patrol outside the school gates not with the aim of catching or arresting children, but to send a clear message to potential gangs looking to recruit children. They will also be available to offer support and guidance to those children who the dog indicates may have been in the presence of drugs.

The objective of these patrols is diversionary rather than looking to criminalise children and this will be supported by amnesty bins prior to police patrols. Should the drugs dog indicate that your child has been in the presence of drugs, you will be sent a letter home outlining why drugs may have been identified on your child and receive information about further sources of support.

As a group of schools in the borough, we endorse this proactive approach to help tackle a growing drug problem in the area.

Should you require any further information about this, or if you have any concerns regarding your child, please contact Mr Alexander using the email address info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.





## INSIGHT FOR YEARS 7 TO 10.

We have recently launched INSIGHT, a new electronic tool for our current Years 7 to 10. INSIGHT is designed to provide you with a greater level of access to the data we hold on your child and will enable you to see live updates on how your child is getting on at school. The system will also be used for downloading end of term reports and next year will be used for booking Parents' Evening appointments.



You should have received an email providing you with login details for INSIGHT. We can only send your login details if you have returned your contact forms with an e-mail address. If you have returned your forms but not received an email please check your junk mail folder in your email account. If you are still unable to find the email then please contact us via email at info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk or telephone 01737 243166.

If you have your login details, but are experiencing technical difficulties then email our IT team using itservices@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.

## NEWS AND EVENTS

## UNIVERSITY OF SURREY WORKSHOPS

Visitors from the University of Surrey Widening Participation and Outreach Programme came to Reigate School last week and ran information and guidance workshops for all our children in Years 7 and 8. The children learned what a University is, the differences between University and school, what it would be like to study at a University and what opportunities it would give them.

It was explained that this was one possible route for them when they finished school and college. They also learned a little about budgeting and about the various clubs and societies that were available. Student ambassadors, who are currently studying at the University, helped with the workshops and spoke about their own experiences of University life.

Mrs Grew Exams/Careers Officer



## **NEWS AND EVENTS**

## YEAR 11 DRAMA PERFORMANCES

Our Year 11 exam performance rehearsals are at 5:30pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. The children will be performing the pieces that will be used for their final exam performance on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Below is a list of which groups are performing on which date and their running order. This order will remain the same for the day of the exam. As it is a dress rehearsal, the timings are just a guideline as some performances may overrun and some may finish earlier than anticipated. Due to limited space in the drama room, priority for spectators will go to the immediate family of those performing at any given time.

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Start time
Group 1: Shakers	5.30pm
Group 2: Bouncers	Approx 5.55pm
Group 3: Inspector Calls (Toby Maynard)	Approx 6.15pm
Group 4: Confusions	Approx 6.35pm
Group 5: Too Much Punch for Judy (Josh Beard)	Approx 6.55pm
Group 6: The Woman in Black	Approx 7.20pm
Group 7: Inspector Calls (Paige Sephton)	Approx 7.40pm
Group 8: A Midsummers Night's Dream	Approx 7.55pm

## Tuesday 12th March

Group 9: Inspector Calls (Hannah Dennis)	5.30pm
Group 10: Blood Brothers	Approx 5.55pm
Group 11: A Matter of Husbands	Approx 6.20pm
Group 12: Road	Approx 6.35pm
Group 13: Heroin Lies	Approx 6.55pm
Group 14: Too Much Punch for Judy (Ella and Amari)	Approx 7.15pm
Group 15: Frozen	Approx 7.30pm

## **HEGARTYMATHS**

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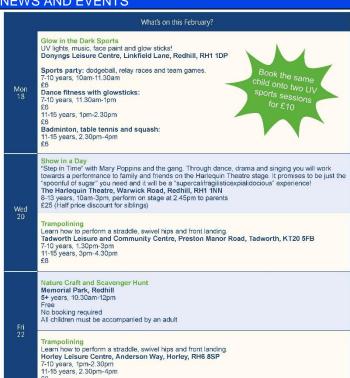
Congratulations to the following children who have clocked up the most learning hours on HegartyMaths this week



Top Correct Answers 1st February - 8th February

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Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	
Patrycja Skiba Emily Campbell Sophia Crabtree Jacob Mills Dan Hammond Grace Weids Keeley Weller Zoe Byrne Emily MacKenzie Ellie Stepien	Troy Jacobs Daisy Bamford Evie Stockton Florence Weids Abigail Harthill Anna Ratajczak Tia-Louise Savage Vimbikai Chituwu Zachary Lynn Milly Eade	Harry Newell Tia Hunter-Haschka Alistair Bell Alice Perrett Jacob Dewar Emily Bixley Karim Elnamouli Dennis Anderson Jacob Charlton Harry Trussler	Alice Northover Eda Lay Ellie Potten Mustapha Raache Sophie Smith Jessica Munro Lucas Dodimead Amanda Stapley Joseph Critchlow Emily Taylor	Efan Fisher Zak Hammond Daisy Kemp Oscar Picking Maddie Cresswell Jessica Crame Scarlett Petty Zhasmine Naumova Jodie Finch Harry Barnsley	

## **NEWS AND EVENTS**





Explore the great outdoors! Visit the Namia Trail at Banstead Woods or the Birdbox Trail at Earlswood Lakes



#### How to book

- To book please visit www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/schoolhols to complete a
  booking form and return it by email to the activity provider (see below).
- 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 276370

#### **Activity Providers**

Glow in the Dark Sports Reigate & Banstead Borough Council leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk 01737 276370

Show in a Day Star Steppers info@star-steppers.com 07810 808 228

Trampolining
Max Force
secretary@maxforce.co.uk
07711 900 826



## Leisure Centres

Our leisure centres offer a wide range of activities for children of all ages during the holidays.

Gymnastics, pool inflatable splash sessions, multi-sports, swim crash courses and more!

Take a look at the website for full details or contact the centres directly www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/ reigate-and-banstead
Donyngs Leisure Centre
Linkfield Lane, Redhill RH1 1DP
01737 764732

Horley Leisure Centre Anderson Way, Horley RH6 8SP 01293 784075

Tadworth Leisure & Community Centre Preston Manor Road, Tadworth KT20 5FB

## **VACANCIES**



### TEAM AROUND THE CHILD CHAMPION

Salary will be grade S7 - Actual salary £18,481 - £21,442, 32 hours per week, term time only

This newly created role recognises that there are times when children - and their families - need an extra bit of quality support, guidance, care, direction or challenge. One of our "guarantees" is that every child will "feel valued and cared for" and our overall mission is to "provide an education of such quality that every child will leave Wray Common with better life chances than when they first entered"; this role puts our money where our mouth is - and reflects our relentless drive to make our mission and guarantees a reality for every child.

The roles requires a high level of passion for the well-being and progress of children. While its origin, intention and direction is unique, its holistic nature includes aspects of being an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant, Learning Mentor, HLTA and Home-School Link Worker. It will form part of our expert Inclusion Team, which consists of our Inclusion Leader (SENCO and DSL), Speech and Language Assistants, EAL Support Assistant, SEN Support Assistants and Achievement for All teacher.

We take pride in placing children at the heart of everything we do and celebrate the fact that our children are all different, special, valued and safe, while learning and succeeding. We believe that all children should experience outstanding learning opportunities that will encourage them to grow socially and personally. Our most vulnerable children are looking for a Champion who will provide care and challenge of such quality that any barriers they may have to their learning are shattered and their current enjoyment and achievement at Wray Common is enhanced.

If you are interested please contact Mrs J Newton, School Business Manager at Wray Common Primary School at <a href="mailto:inewton@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk">inewton@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk</a> or by telephone 01737 761254

Application packs are available on the website <u>www.wray-common.surrey.sch.uk</u> or on the eteach website. Closing date is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

## VACANCIES

## PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT COACHES

5 hours per day, 5 days per week, term time only

Part time applications also considered min 2 days per week

Actual salary £10,056 Hourly Rate £9.05

If you have a love for learning and would like to pass that love on, this could be the position for you.

We are looking for Progress and Achievement Coaches (PACs) preferably to work from 9am to 3pm, (though this could be flexible) to complement the professional work of teachers by supporting a wide range of lessons. We would consider a job share role for the right people.

Our team of PACs is extremely important in providing support in lessons. Candidates should have a strong desire to help children achieve their personal goals and aspirations. We would expect our PACs to encourage learners to interact and work with others and engage all learners in activities.

GCSE English and Maths are essential together with enthusiasm and the ability to work well within a team.

For further details and application forms, please see our website www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk or contact the school by Telephone: 01737 243166 or email: s.carr@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.

Closing date: Friday 22nd February 2019 at 9am

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. An enhanced DBS check will be required.

## PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL AND HEAD OF SCHOOL

with office management responsibilities

Term Time plus three weeks – 36 hours per week FTE £27,100 – Actual £24,878 (G7)

(Preferred hours 8.30am to 4.30pm but can be flexible)

We are looking to recruit a highly efficient and capable Personal Assistant to work with our most senior leaders at Reigate School. This is a high profile position and applicants should have excellent administrative and computer skills, including simple databases and spreadsheets. The person must be highly literate, pay attention to detail and be able to work independently. There is a small team of four people to manage and experience in line management is desirable but not essential.

Reigate School is an exceptional place to work and we want someone who will fully commit to its values and ethos.

#### What we can offer:

- The opportunity to be part of a team with a strong vision and shared values and purpose.
- A competitive salary.
- Support to carry out your role.
- A motivated and supportive environment.
- Employee benefits: Local Government Pension Scheme, Holiday Pay, Staff Assistance Programme and Surrey Rewards (My Benefits).
- Training opportunities.

Further details and our application forms can be found on the website www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk or contact the school by Telephone: 01737 243166 or email: s.carr@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.

Closing date: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019

Interview date: either 27th or 28th February 2019

Start date: 1st April 2019

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# SHOP WINDOW-MYSTERY OBJECT COMPETITION

Run by: ROTARY CLUB OF REDHILL, REIGATE & DISTRICT

Location: Reigate Town Centre

Dates: 16 February to 24 February 2019

Age groups: 8-and-Under and 9-to-15

The competition is free to enter and no purchase is necessary. Tour the town during the week of the competition and identify the Mystery Objects in the shop windows of each of the participating businesses. Write down the answers on the Entry Form and follow instructions on the form to submit your entry.

Winners and runners up in each age group will receive cash prizes of £50 and £25, respectively.

The money raised from the competition will go towards Rotary Youth Programmes (RYP) in the local area. More specifically, elements of the RYP known as RYLA and Dictionaries 4 Life.

- RYLA is the Rotary Youth Leadership Award that sponsors secondary school children to attend a development programme to promote leadership skills.
- Dictionaries 4 Life is aimed at supporting younger children, through the School Reading Programme, to develop literacy skills.

For a copy of the Entry Form, please contact Hon Rtn. Duncan Reeve at duncancreeve@hotmail.co.uk

### TALKING TEENS WORKSHOP

Dovers Green Sure Start Children's centre are running free workshops aimed at Year 7 and 8 parents. Please book with them directly if you are interested.

## 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:

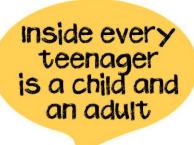
How can I stop my child always getting the last word?

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

- I: 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.

It's not what you say; it's what they hear

## 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:

Dovers Green Children's Centre Rushetts Road Reigate RH2 7RF

## when:

Thursday Evenings 7:30pm – 9:30pm 7<sup>th</sup> March (week 1) 14<sup>th</sup> March (week 2)

21st March (week 3)

28th March (week 4)

## Contact details:

Dovers Green Sure Start Children's Centre Telephone: 01737 223621 Email:

<u>childrenscentre@dovers-green.surrey.sch.uk</u> £10 donation includes a handbook, £15 per couple



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## Talking Teens Parent Group

Information for parents and carers





check out familylinks.org.uk/Parents

## **NOTICES**

### **EDUCATION AND HEALTH SEMINARS**

We are pleased to be able to offer 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 and they can be booked via Eventbrite using the link 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 title and schedule is below:

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>all Year 11 children</u> to be available until the 27<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019. In light of this, please do not book holidays that begin before the 27<sup>th</sup> 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. <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a>

#### **CAREERS**

#### CAREERS HOT- DESKING

Reigate School would like to invite people from the world of work to take part in our careers event on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 from 9am to 3pm. Small groups of children from Years 8 and 9 will ask you questions about your profession and what you do, how you got to where you are and what educational route you took. If you can help, please contact the school for further details. Thank you.

Mrs Grew Careers Officer

## 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 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019 17:30 - 19:30 Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> 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.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk

www.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com