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MESSAGE FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER



This week we remember Armistice Day. Mr Gilmore has delivered assemblies and I went with a group of students to a memorial service in South Park. Students have worn their poppies with pride. World Wars may seem very far removed now, but we are all fortunate that they turned out the way they did and we will never know exactly how life would have been for us if it hadn't been that way. As we posed for our whole school photograph today, I wondered how things might have been different for all of us and how right it is that we focus on this week in the way we do.

Mrs Hill

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Ted Swan for his helpful attitude in class and running the lights during performance for Drama.
Year 8	Samuel Robinson for producing outstanding photography homework in Art this week.
Year 9	Etienne Baker for producing consistently great English class work and assessments
Year 10	Callum Molyneux for his superb effort in his GCSE PE class.
Year 11	Freya Chisholm for her positive attitude and consistent hard work in all her subjects.

THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7SCA
Year 8	8MKI
Year 9	9SMO
Year 10	10GFO
Year 11	11CWO

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7PWR, 7JMA, 7AFO, 7ALU	100%
Year 8	8DMA	99.6%
Year 9	9VRA	98.2%
Year 10	10GFO	98.9%
Year 11	11NTR	99.6%

Whole School Attendance 95.5%

NOTICES

STUDENT SERVICES

We've had a pair of wood-effect, brown-rimmed glasses in lost property all week. We also had a large delivery from the PE department with many odd trainers, socks and PE kits. Our collection of coats is growing daily, along with a large collection of pencil cases, water bottles and lunch bags.

On a medical note, with the onset of the cold weather, please would parents of asthmatics ensure that they have their inhalers in school and if possible please could we have a spare in Student Services.

Thank you

NEWS AND EVENTS

REIGATE COMMUNITY CONCERT

On Friday some of our local primary schools joined us for our annual Let's Sing Together event at Reigate Baptist Church. The theme for this year was 'A Night at the Oscars' and the songs were either winners or had been nominated for an Oscar. It proved to be a very glitzy and glamorous evening with our hosts Oscar and Abigail especially dressed for the occasion.



The mayor was in attendance and he commented on what a wonderful time he had. He particularly liked Skyfall as he has become quite passionate about sky diving.

The schools supported SparkFish, OrbitShed and the YMCA Sovereign Centre. We would like to say a big thank you to all the teachers from Wray Common School, St John's School, Salfords Primary School, Reigate Priory School and especially Mrs Ranft from Reigate School who conducted the choirs.

This year we also had a number of Performing Arts students who helped to organise the event, looked after the ticket sales and helped on the evening. They did really well.

Mrs Hill

NEWS AND EVENTS

WW1 ARMISTICE DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Five students from Years 7 and 8 took part in a small gathering at the War Memorial near St Luke's church to commemorate Remembrance Day. They are pictured here with the Reverend Martha Mutikani.

Year 7 students were asked to submit poems and the three winners read theirs aloud at the service. Well done to Chanel, Holly and Emily and to all of the Year 7 students who produced some excellent poems. Thank you to Aliyah and Hope for reading the names of the local men who lost their lives during the war.

Mrs Hill



CAREERS

LUNCHTIME CAREERS TALK

Our first lunchtime careers talk took place this week and we were very lucky to welcome ex Reigate School student Jess Hoskins to talk about her career in Psychology. Jess is currently working in a supported living unit for people with mental health issues. She explained that she was unsure what she wanted to do in the future until she attended a taster Psychology lesson at Reigate College. She knew instantly then that this was what she wanted to study and pursue as a career.

Jess talked about what she studied at college and at University and how she is currently applying for her Doctorate. She explained the many different careers that can be found in the field of Psychology and how she finds it very rewarding but also challenging. Students asked many questions and Jess has offered to come in again and speak to individual students if they require any more advice.

Mrs Grew
Exams/Careers Officer

SURREY OPPORTUNITIES FAIR

We recently took a group of Year 10 students to the Surrey Opportunities Fair at Epsom Downs Racecourse. This annual event is extremely useful for students as they can speak to representatives from many colleges and apprenticeship providers about what they can offer and all the amazing opportunities that are available. The whole event is really hands on and encourages the students to try and have a go at things that they may not have considered before. Hair and beauty, music, fashion, forensic science, the armed forces, catering, childcare, paramedics, sport, engineering and many, many more.

All our students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and hopefully have a clearer idea of what they would like to study after Reigate School and possibly pursue eventually as a career.

Mrs Grew
Exams/Careers Officer



SPORTS NEWS

ENGLISH NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY RELAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The English National Cross Country Relay Championships were held in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire last weekend. Frederick Fowler (Year 7) and Oliver Mooney (Year 8) entered the U13 boys' teams and finished in fifth place out of 78 across England. Frankie Evered entered and her team finished 17th out of 87 in the U13 girls' event. Well done.

OTHER NEWS

Please see below statement from the police, who have requested it is shared with parents:

From Neighbourhood Inspector Stephen Muncaster:

I am writing following a recent report of an alleged incident in which a teenage girl was victim to an indecent exposure in Epsom. I want to reassure parents that we will always thoroughly investigate any incidents of this nature and deal appropriately with any offences which may be disclosed. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind students to remain vigilant about their personal safety and to report anything unusual or suspicious to their parents, guardian or school, who in turn can pass the information along to us.

I would ask schools to reiterate advice to parents about youngsters walking in pairs and knowing where their child is, but want to ensure that parents are aware that there is no immediate risk to the safety of our school children.

However, if anyone has any concerns and wants further advice please contact the local Safer Neighbourhood Team by calling Surrey Police on 101.

CAREERS

SURREY'S NEW 'YOUR NEXT MOVE' PORTAL

Surrey County Council has launched a new portal which provides young people, parents and professionals with a wealth of information about the options available to young people upon leaving school. The portal outlines the different forms of participation that enable young people who are 16+ to meet their duty to participate in line with the Raising the Participation Age legislation.



You can find information about studying, apprenticeships, traineeships, supported internships, employment, volunteering and much, much more.

Some of the features of the portal include:

- An FAQ section for parents and young people
- Interactive post-16 provider maps
- A news and events section
- Participation information for those with SEND.

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 Your Next Move portal can help!

CAREERS GUIDANCE

We have a careers section on the school website with lots of information regarding college open days, apprenticeship information, up and coming events and much more. You can find it under: Academic / Options at post 16 / Careers.

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.allaboutschoollleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



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