

# Reigate School

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## NEWSLETTER

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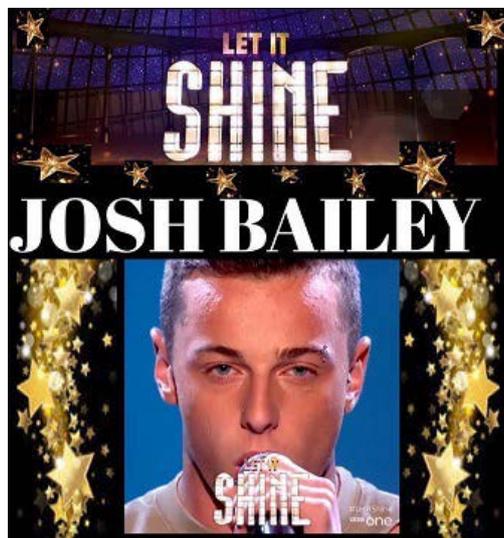
### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This Saturday an ex Reigate School student will appear on ITV's new talent show 'Let It Shine'.

Joshua Bailey left Reigate School in 2015 and was amongst thousands to apply for the show. His audition will be aired on Saturday.

The programme is looking to recruit five boys to join the cast of a brand new stage show which will tour nationwide and feature the music of Take That. Good Luck Josh!

Mrs Wardlow



### SPOTLIGHT

#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Hollie Nixon for her fantastic work in Design & Technology.
Year 8	Miles Greenfield for his brilliant performances in drama.
Year 9	Ellie Weaver for her consistently good effort in class.
Year 10	Harry Joyles for helping a new student settle into his timetable so well.
Year 11	Liam Steer for a hugely successful first week back.

### THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7LWA
Year 8	8HSK
Year 9	9MBR
Year 10	10DGI
Year 11	11CWO

### BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7LWA, 7AFO, 7ALU, 7MHU	100%
Year 8	8MTH	98.9%
Year 9	9MBR	98.3%
Year 10	10DSM	94.8%
Year 11	11SHA	97.5%

**Whole School Attendance 94.1%**

### UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Visit to Wray Common Primary School's Art classes. Girls' Rugby Festival at Chobham RFC.
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Leaders' Football event at Woking Leisure Centre.
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit to Wray Common Primary School's Art classes.

## YOUNG ENGINEERS TAKE PART IN INTERNATIONAL ROBOT COMPETITION

Despite fierce competition from seven other teams Reigate School Young Engineers performed well at the First Lego League Surrey and Sussex regional robotics competition, held at Gatwick Airport last week.

It was the first time in the competition for a lot of the current team and all their hard work, both in the run-up to the competition and at the event itself, paid off. The many hours spent planning, designing, programming, testing and modifying their robot proved the decisive factor. The judges were particularly impressed with the team's robot design and the presentation they made during the tournament.



Congratulations to our team of Young Engineers: Archie, Liam, Alistair, Euan, Ben, Evren, Jonathan, Hayden and Tomas.



### CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENT WINNERS

As previously reported in last week's newsletter we had our Celebration of Achievement assemblies this week. Our lucky winners are:

Year 7	Tia Hunter-Haschka and Bryony Maher
Year 8	Daisy Hobbs and Millie Jones
Year 9	Monty Shave and George Sills
Year 10	Gemma Driskell and Lewis Gill



### GROWING GARLIC



Year 9 and 10 students studying Food Preparation and Nutrition have been planting garlic during their lessons. The garlic bulb came from the Garlic Farm in the Isle of Wight and has been enjoying the lovely sun today! (17th January). The students will be monitoring the process of the garlic over the next few weeks and it will be given fertiliser towards the end of February. We are looking at harvesting in July! So watch out for updates and maybe even some photographs.



Last term Year 10 students were completing homework based on environmental issues associated with food and farming today – they produced some excellent work and as a reward there were prizes for the following students:

Chloe Hammond  
Kiera Nixon  
Fiona Kehl  
Katie Nicholson-Best  
Sophie Sills  
Romeyssa Raache  
Shala Monderin

The work will be displayed in the Food corridor.

Mrs Barker-Field

# Holocaust Memorial Evening

Tuesday  
24 January 2017  
7pm

Reigate School  
Pendleton Road  
Reigate  
RH2 7NT

Speaker:  
Holocaust Survivor, Eve Gill

**Everyone Welcome**

Add your special message to  
our Tree of Hope

Free entrance and parking



YOUTH DROP-IN STARTS THIS THURSDAY

A vibrant, abstract poster for a youth drop-in event. The background is a colorful, textured collage of various shades including teal, yellow, pink, and purple. Overlaid on this background are several text elements in different colors and orientations. At the top left, a blue banner says 'GAMES'. At the top right, a yellow banner says 'POOL & TABLE TENNIS'. In the center, a large black banner with white and yellow text reads 'YOUTH DROP-IN'. Below that, another black banner with blue and white text says 'THURSDAYS • AFTER SCHOOL • 3:15-5PM'. At the bottom left, a purple banner with white text says 'free HOT CHOCOLATE with MARSHMALLOWS'. At the bottom right, a blue banner with white text says 'TUCK SHOP'. At the very bottom, a black banner with white text provides the location and contact information: 'at Reigate Baptist Church, Sycamore Walk, Reigate, RH2 7LR behind Reigate School (call 01737 248258)'.

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS REGARDING THE RECENT COLLECTION OF NATIONALITY & COUNTRY OF BIRTH INFORMATION

The new DfE guidance on data collection makes it clear that schools should inform parents (or pupils deemed mature enough to make the decision) that they can refuse to provide information on nationality, country of birth, first language or Service Child status. Parents (or pupils deemed mature enough) can decide to retract nationality and country of birth information previously provided and this will be removed from DfE systems. Below is information taken from Section 5.3 of the DfE School Census 2016 to 2017 Guidance dated January 2017.

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/580078/School\\_census\\_2016\\_to\\_2017\\_guide\\_v1\\_5.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/580078/School_census_2016_to_2017_guide_v1_5.pdf)

#### **“a) Parental right to refuse to provide certain characteristics information and to retract previously provided information on nationality and country of birth**

Whilst it is not possible for a parent / guardian or an individual child to opt out of the school census collection, there is certain information (such as ethnicity, language, country of birth, nationality and whether a child is the child of someone in the armed services) which must always be reported as declared by the parent / guardian or the pupil where a pupil is deemed mature enough to have capacity to consent to sharing their personal data with others.

When collecting this information from the parent / guardian or pupil it is important that schools make them aware of their right to refuse to provide these data items and, where they exercise this right, the information is returned in the census as ‘refused’.

Similarly, if any parents decide they wish to retract any nationality or country of birth information returned in a previous census, they should inform their school of this decision who should then update their system to show a parent has refused to provide this information. This will then be transferred to the department within the next school census collection after the update has been made and the department will remove from our systems any information previously collected via the school census on country of birth and nationality.”

#### **Further Information from the DfE**

“The school census is used for the purpose of improving and promoting the education and well-being of children in England. It helps us to make sure we are allocating funds where they are needed and that no groups of children are missing out on the education they deserve.

This year we asked schools for additional information on the nationality, country of birth and English language proficiency of pupils. You may be aware that the collection of this data has resulted in some concerns from parents and questioning as to the process and purpose behind it.

This new data will help us understand a range of factors, allowing us to better plan to meet needs within the school system. For example, what extra support we may need to provide to schools with high numbers of children who don't speak or understand English sufficiently to access the curriculum, whether particular groups of pupils are making good progress with their education, or where there is evidence of good practice with children of different nationalities that could be shared. Understanding trends in migration and the associated needs in the school system helps us ensure that all children, wherever they are from, have the best possible education.”

#### **Information from other organisations may be found at:**

Liberty, The Human Rights Charity: <https://www.liberty-human-rights.org.uk/>

Against Borders for Children: <https://www.schoolsabc.net/faqs/#Whytho>

## OPERATION ENCOMPASS

We have taken the opportunity to join the Operation Encompass scheme which will run jointly between local schools, Surrey Police and Surrey County Council. Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting on any domestic incidents that occur outside of school and might have an impact on a child in school. It will ensure that a member of the school teaching staff, named a ‘Key Adult’ or “Deputy Key Adult”, is informed the next morning that there has been a domestic incident or if a child has been reported as missing. This means that the Key Adult or Deputy Key Adult can ensure that the child is supported whilst they are in school.

We are keen to offer the best support possible for our pupils and we believe this is going to be extremely beneficial for all those involved. For more information see [www.operationencompass.org](http://www.operationencompass.org)



## SPORTS NEWS

### SURREY CROSS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Surrey Cross Country Championships are being held at Reigate Priory Park on Saturday 21st January. The first race begins at 10.40am and spectators are more than welcome. Good luck to all our competitors: Patrick Bance, Frankie Evered, Frederick Fowler, Oliver Mooney, Joseph Parratt, Amanda Stapley, Poppy Wardley, Pippa Wonders and Noah Young.



### NETBALL

Year 9 girls lost to Oakwood 14-5. Player of the match went to Holly Goodbourn.  
Year 10 girls won against Oakwood 19-4. Player of the match went to Sophie Sills.

## 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 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 quiz which is fun to take and will give students 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**  
Created with BARCLAYS

[www.barclayslifeskills.com](http://www.barclayslifeskills.com)

 **Apprenticeships**

[www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk)

 **allabout**  
school leavers

[www.allaboutschoollavers.co.uk](http://www.allaboutschoollavers.co.uk)

 **notgoingtouni.co.uk**

[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)

 **icould**

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