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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Each year group had their achievement assemblies this week. Winners of the prize draws are listed later in the newsletter.

Thank you to those who came to the Year 11 Parents' Evening last night. It was well attended and I am sure the staff and children appreciate your support.

On 5th February we will have a theatre company visiting Reigate School to perform to our Year 7, 8 and 9 children on the awareness of extremist behaviour and the dangers of online recruitment.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Blake Williams for working so hard and going above and beyond in every lesson.
Year 8	Matthew Beal for his outstanding motivation and invaluable peer teaching in Tech.
Year 9	Ayaan Pervais for her excellent work in English.
Year 10	Sophia and Melissa Drage for their beautiful performance in assemblies.
Year 11	Daisi Parker for her outstanding work in music.

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7AME, 7CHN	99.3%
Year 8	8SMI	98.5%
Year 9	9EWL	99.3%
Year 10	10NTR	96.9%
Year 11	11GFO	100%

Whole School Attendance 95.1%

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7MDA
Year 8	8JMA
Year 9	9MKI
Year 10	10SCH, 10LRD
Year 11	11DSM

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 22 nd January	Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock exams
Tuesday 23 rd January	Year 9 Final School Boosters Holocaust Evening at Reigate School
Wednesday 24 th January	Year 9 Final School Boosters BTEC Business Exam Lunchtime Careers Talk: Amanda Ingram from Priory Vets
Thursday 25 th January	GCSE Climbing Course Year 7 and 8 Freshers' Fair BTEC Business Exam Ski Trip Information Evening for parents and carers (6pm)

NOTICES



SKI TRIP PARENTS EVENING

Just a reminder for those going on this year's ski trip that there will be a parents and carers' information evening on Thursday 25th January starting at 6pm. There will be a small presentation and an opportunity to ask questions. The ski clothing company will also be present should you wish to hire any items.



FRESHERS' FAIR



On Thursday 25th January we will be running a Spring Freshers' Fair for Years 7 and 8 in Gym 2.

Each year group will have around 35 - 40 minutes to circulate around the stalls and sign up for extra-curricular clubs. The Year 8 Freshers' Fair will be between 8.50am and 9.20am followed by the Year 7 Freshers' Fair between 9.30am and 10.05am.

LOST PROPERTY

We have three sets of keys, a ring, a Reigate School badge and an earring, along with three pairs of shoes/trainers, five coats and several water bottles, pencil cases and other sundry items.

YEAR 9 VACCINATIONS

Please may we remind you to return the forms ASAP even if you do not wish your child to be inoculated. Form Tutors have a list of missing names and will be chasing.

HEGARTY MATHS

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



Top 10 Total Learning Hours from 12th January 2018 to 19th January 2018

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Rosie Tiller Jude Hilditch Anise Miller-Bassi Jessica Chapman Milly-Madeleine Eade Florence Weids Rishant Sapkota Eva Smallman Melissa Murdymootoo Alexa Hyde	Alice Cobbin Haarris Mirza Demie O'Leary Niamh Parker Bryony Maher Katie Green Olivia Stoyle Connor Brehme Emily Hill Matilda Skyrme	Chloe Hedges Daisy Hobbs Holly Francis Binal Chudasama Samuel Robinson Tegan Lucas Willow Matthewson Caelan Barnes Chloe Kenward Alexander Gill	Isobel Loft Jasmine Warner Sherry Jones Danielle Pearse Emma Matuozzo Courtney Rose Bethany Horn Joshua Tite Oliver Marsden Morgan Musgrove	Alicia Coutet-Arthur Afsar Khan Samina Ahmed Dimple Malhi Eleanor Stannard Udhava Ramkissoon Megan Drew Mariam Abbas Eleanor Raper Eoghan Morris

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations!

Year 7

Zac Belenchia
Kacey Breach-Finch

Year 8

Ottilie Fox
Sadie Jenkins

Year 9

Victoria Grandison
Seera Ismaeel

Year 10

Valentino Phillips
Daniel Robinson

Year 11

Luke Ayres
Daisy Wilson-Owen

Congratulations to the above children who had their names drawn for prizes at the achievement awards' assemblies this week. Years 7 to 10 receive Amazon vouchers and Year 11 prize winners receive a free ticket to the Leavers' Ball.



SPORTS NEWS

On Wednesday 17th January the Year 7 football team played a league fixture against St Bede's School. In Mr Lumley's absence it was left to Mr Strachan to manage the team on this occasion.

After a frantic start to the game, Reigate School went into a two goal lead with goals from Jack Howland and Diogo Tome. However, Reigate switched off just before half time allowing St Bede's back in with two quick goals meaning it was a tied game at the break.

After an inspirational team talk from Mr Strachan, the boys came out feeling positive in the second half and scored two quick goals through the pacey Lucas Flatt. Once again, we allowed St Bede's back into the match leading to a tense finale to the game. Two more break away goals from Lucas Flatt meant we ran out 6 – 5 victors in what can only be called an all-time classic.

There were solid performances from the entire squad. However, particular things to note were four goals from Lucas Flatt, a controlling and creative performance from Jack Howland and Jamie Cattermole having an assist with his first touch for the school team. The man of the match was awarded to the goal keeper, Sam Roberts who made a string of outstanding stops. Well done boys – cracking result!



Reported by Mr Strachan and Oscar Hough (Team Captain)

YOUNG ENGINEERS – FIRST LEGO LEAGUE REGIONAL FINAL

On Friday 12th January Adam, Ben, Eliyas, Euan, Hayden and Jack from Years 7, 9 and 10 set off to compete at the Regional First Lego League Final at Gatwick. Having spent three months developing and perfecting their robot design, as well as designing and building their own water filtration system, the children were nervously excited about what lay ahead at the competition. The day would include a presentation to a team of judges about the human water cycle, including a demonstration of their home-made water filter, a demonstration of their robot design and an inspection on how they performed as a team. They were also to be assessed on how well their robot would be able to navigate a course and complete custom tasks.



The presentation was delivered to a panel of three professionals in a difficult and noisy environment. The boys coped well delivering their research, before the panel posed a series of taxing questions; they tackled the queries in a calm professional and well informed manner. Next up was a grilling from executive Gatwick engineers. Once again the team delivered a confident explanation of the project, the trials they have had along the way and how they were able to overcome them. Euan led the team well and directed excellent questions back at the judges. Stage three was the interrogation over robot design and programming. The team divided in two to provide feedback on both aspects, describing each in a clear and confident fashion, impressing all four of the judges. The final interrogation focused on the core values of teamwork, professionalism and respect when approaching the project as a whole and for the individual tasks. Once again the team operated cohesively and left a positive impression.



After a gruelling morning session, the robot games began and the Reigate School Young Engineers were first to let their robot perform. The nerves were immense, but an almost perfect run accumulated 85 points and leaving room for improvement. Watching on as the other teams performed, the nerves began to settle and the confidence returned. Unfortunately the second round saw a series of disastrous runs knocking into objects and failing to hit the heights of the initial run. The team were deflated and feeling a little despondent after a gruelling five hours.



Cometh the final, cometh the champions. As the final run approached the team rallied, determined to finish on a high. Three months in the planning and it all came down to the final two and a half minutes - but would the battery last? Although the battery survived the chances of winning did not, as the final run met a disappointing end, falling short at the last hurdle. There was now a tense wait as the judges convened to determine the winners. There were five awards and a grand prize. The first awarded was the Robot design trophy, with judges feeling the team had learnt from past failures and developed an excellent robot with robust features, it was awarded to the Reigate School Young Engineers! Although the team did not win the overall prize, they returned with a trophy and notable mentions in all of the other categories. The team were pleased with the results, although a little disappointed they did not make the national First Lego League Final in Bristol - maybe next year...



CAREERS TALK

Last week we welcomed Mark Austen from “Speakers for Schools” to deliver a talk to our Year 10 and 11 children. Mark is currently the chairman of LV Insurance and has had a distinguished career in advising banks, insurance companies and Governments. He spoke about different routes into careers, how to progress, what employers are looking for and how to present yourself. He also offered our children advice on how they can start planning for their future. His talk was very informative and we appreciate him taking the time to share his knowledge and experience.



Mrs Grew
Careers Officer

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.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com

PARENTAL PORTAL - SLG

What is the Parental Portal (SIMS Learning Gateway)?

SIMS Learning Gateway (SLG) is a system that allows parents/carers to have access to information that we keep about their children.

What information can I access?

Currently SLG allows you to see information about your child's attendance, assessments, conduct log, which includes achievement and behaviour management, as well as their timetable. SLG uses real-time data, so the information is always current. Reigate School takes electronic registers in morning registration and in all five lessons.

Can I see whether my child has arrived in school?

Our tutors finish their morning registers by 9:05am. You will be able to log in to SLG at 9:05am to see whether your child has been marked as present. However, there are several reasons why the register may be late going into the SIMS system (for example, a tutor may not be in school so the register may initially be done on paper by a cover supervisor). If you notice that your child is not registered, please wait and check after 9.30am before contacting the school.

What if I spot inaccuracies in the information?

Data integrity is important to us. While we endeavour to make sure that all of our data is accurate, we realise that mistakes are possible.

Who gets access to this information?

We launched SLG for all children, parents and carers in 2016. We sent out usernames and passwords to all parents and carers who we have registered as the primary point of contact for each child. If you are not the primary contact, or have not received your username, please email slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.

What to do if you forget your username or password

In the first instance email slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk if further assistance is required contact our SLG Helpdesk on 01737 229568.

Parental Portal (SIMS Learning Gateway) - Quick Start Guide

The SLG is accessed using a web browser and by entering the details that have been provided to you by the school. The account will give you access to information relating to any children that you have at Reigate School.

The address for the Reigate School SLG is <https://portal.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/slq/>

Finding Information on the SLG

Once logged in you should click on the **Parents/Carers** tab at the top of the page. You will then see the home page of the SLG Parent Site containing current SLG notices. On the left hand side of the screen are several sections that will be of interest.

My Account Page – it is advised that you visit this page the first time you log in and change your password to something more memorable. If you forget your password you will need to contact slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk to request it to be reset.

My Children Dashboard – here you will find the main information about your child or children. In the main part of the page you will see headline information including attendance.

At the bottom of the page under **My Children Links** you will find three sections:

Student Dashboard – here you will find information regarding behaviour, achievements and timetable.

View Reports – this is where progress reports can be found. Click on the arrow next to the current academic year and a list of available reports will be displayed. Please note you will be unable to view reports when using a smartphone or iPhone as the mobile view doesn't support this.

Data Collection Sheet – Use this section of the SLG to check and update the information that we hold, including home address and home/mobile/work telephone numbers and email addresses. Changes are then submitted electronically and there is no need to telephone the school to advise us of those changes.