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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

On Tuesday we hosted the annual Holocaust Memorial Service in the school hall which was very well attended. You will be able to read a full report in next week's newsletter. The History department have also been running assemblies this week informing the children of the events of the Holocaust.

Quite a number of hoodies were confiscated this week. Please can we remind children that only Reigate School hoodies are permitted in school. Hoodies from home should not be worn as a substitute for a coat.

We look forward to welcoming Year 9 parents and carers for our Parents' Evening on Thursday 1st February.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7 Lyla Smith for getting all 1s on her report and trying out new clubs this week.

Year 8 Holly Nixon for her help at the Year 7 and 8 Freshers' Fair.

Year 9 Nayana Brathwaite, Sophie Cawtheray, Ellis Cork, Hannah Corlett, Onnen Denman-Tanner, Evren Erol, Alexander Gill, Jonathan Grey, Abby Harries, Ava Lenihan, Alexandra Measure and Daisy Timson for helping at the Year 7 and 8 Freshers' Fair.

Year 10 Edward Wallbank and Oliver Byrne for their lovely readings in assembly.

Year 11 Cornelia Hayden for fantastic effort and achievement in English.

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7TMA, 7AME	99.3%
Year 8	8ALU	100%
Year 9	9JMR	99.3%
Year 10	10MBR	96.2%
Year 11	11WMO	100%

Whole School Attendance 93.2%

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7MDA
Year 8	8PWR
Year 9	9MKI
Year 10	10SMO
Year 11	11GFO

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 29 th January	Young Leaders' Boccia Tournament, Leatherhead Year 8 Indoor Cricket Tournament, Dunottar School
Wednesday 31 st January	GCSE Climbing Course, Crawley
Thursday 1 st February	Year 9 Steps to Success performance and workshop Year 8 Author visit – Dan Smith Year 9 and 10 UK Maths Challenge Year 9 Parents' Evening

NOTICES

CASH PAYMENT POLICY

In line with our aim to make Reigate School a cash-free environment, please be advised that cash payments for trips/activities/books etc will no longer be accepted from children. All payments should be made online or by cheque. If you have not paid online before and need to know how to set up your account, please contact the Finance Office for an online access letter.

If this new policy causes any difficulties for you, please contact the Finance Office to make alternative arrangements.

(Please note that the canteen will continue to allow the children to top up using cash for the time being.)

Finance Office

A CAREER IN TEACHING?

Are you interested in a career in teaching with the opportunity to train in your local area? If so we are delighted to offer the opportunity to train as a teacher through our partnership with Teach@Weydon School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT).

The Teach@Weydon SCITT offers a one year training programme which is school based and leads to Qualified Teacher Status (11-16) and PGCE (Pedagogy & Practice). You will need to be qualified to degree level. The application process is open now, with the training commencing in September 2018.

If you would like to find out more about a career in teaching, Teach@Weydon will be holding an information evening at Reigate School on Wednesday 31st January 2018 from 6.30pm - 8.00pm. To reserve your place, please email Cheryl Gill at: SESTA@reigate.ac.uk or for more information about a career in teaching and Teach@Weydon SCITT please visit www.i2ipartnership.co.uk.

YEAR 9 BOOSTER VACCINATIONS

The Year 9 booster vaccinations will now be taking place on 20th and 21st February 2018. Please ensure forms are returned asap. Many thanks.

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 19th January 2018 to 26th January 2018

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Abigail Hayden Leo Lowe Thomas Bisset Eleanor March Kacey Breach-Finch Rudy Nash Oliver Scotland-Brown Isha Saleem Scarlett Richards Hayden Cleeve	Veronika Ramm Tristan Cossey Andrew Ball Hannah Jones James Musk Bertram Bramham Jake Hird Josephine Davie Aaron Day Otilie Fox	Charlie Hills Willow Matthewson Amy Brown Daniel Lowther Molly Lucas Ellie Fahey Adam Adam Ella Johnson Daisy Hobbs Bethany Goldsmith	Emma Ricketts Tobiah Nott Bethany Horn Lily Collman Larissa Gray Connor Simmons Renata Bujdoso Lauren Mackie Kayleigh Burchett George Sills	Afsar Khan Monnay Bala Eoghan Morris David Monk Harry Joyles Ellen Salisbury Samina Ahmed Marco Boutchelski Lewis Whatsley-Davison Dorothy Cawkwell

SUCCESS FOR JESSICA



Congratulations to Jessica in Year 7 who took part in an Irish dance competition last weekend.

The Hennigan Feis competition took place in Harlow. Jessica gained a 1st in Primary Slip Jig, 5th in Primary Heavy Jig and 8th in Intermediate Light Jig. She is now in Intermediate for all four soft shoe dances.

FOOD TECHNOLOGY PROJECT

During the Autumn term the Year 9 children completed seven pieces of homework related to topics such as food miles, organic farming, seasonality and how to reduce food waste. The standard of work was very good and the following children were awarded prizes for their effort. Well done to them all.



- Nathaniel Chalmers
- Ben Clements
- Emily McClean
- Hope Stevens
- Jennifer Ross
- Amelia Saunders
- Elizabeth Williamson

Mrs Barker-Field and Mrs Whitehead.



100 ACTS OF KINDNESS

On Monday 15th January 100 Kind Acts was launched. This challenge has been set for Year 7. The idea is that each form will try to collect evidence of 100 kind acts they have performed over the term. If a member of staff witnesses the children picking up litter, recycling, tidying up or helping other children or staff, they will be issued with a post it note depicting the kind act.

The post it notes are then collected and added to a wall in each of their form rooms. Pictured left are the acts of kindness 7TSG and 7DKI have collected so far.

At Easter they will be having a celebration of kindness assembly.

YEAR 8 BOYS' FOOTBALL

On Monday 22nd January eight Year 8 boys travelled to Warlingham School for a 7-a-side Football Tournament and for what would turn out to be some of the best performances of their promising careers so far. Max Blenkiron, Daniel Masson Smith, Haarris Mirza, Ethan Yammie, Matthew King, Oliver Shepherd, Frederick Fowler and Ned Howarth all played fantastically with man of the tournament going to Haarris Mirza.

A fantastic team selection made by Mr Hughes followed by some unbelievable tactical decisions meant that the boys finished joint second. They were the only team not to lose a game and the only team not to concede any goals. I believe that this therefore makes them winners at heart, if not on the table.

Congratulations to the boys that played - now on to the next game where we look for our first win of the season. We currently sit in fifth place in the league table, with only one point separating us from third.

YEAR 9 BOYS' FOOTBALL

The season so far has unfortunately seen a disappointing set of results from the Year 9 team. We have a talented squad with every player able to show the required technical ability at this level. However, we have had poor results with narrow losses to Oakwood School, The Warwick School, The Royal Alexandra and Albert School and St Bede's School with many of the games decided by one goal in the final few minutes. The desire and work rate has been apparent but things have just not gone our way. We haven't been clinical in front of goal and maybe a little too much tinkering with the formation by the manager hasn't helped.

However, I thought our most recent game was worth mentioning. On Tuesday 23rd January we played against a strong RAAS side who had a very pacey and skilful attacking unit. Our numbers were depleted with five of our normal starting team withdrawing on the day meaning we were left with no subs and three debutants filling in at the last minute. Owen Hunt, Caelan Barnes and Travis Avery all gave an excellent account of themselves under difficult conditions. Owen put in a flawless performance at centre back, Caelan a very creative role in midfield and Travis was a hardworking menace on the wing resulting in him scoring our only goal of the game.

Unfortunately we lost a very close game 2-1 (the story of our season!) however we should have really won the game with a number of good chances missed. It was definitely the most enjoyable game of the season to watch as I can honestly say that every one of our players put in a good performance; nobody let us down and many of the senior players stepped up and took responsibility in key positions. This result also proves to me that this team has some real character, something which will ensure we have a more successful season over the next two years. Fingers crossed we get a little more luck in the next few games and hopefully we can finish the season strong with a couple of victories - the lads certainly deserve it!

YEAR 9 NETBALL

It was a chilly and slippery day on the Reigate School netball courts but as usual, the girls were excited to start playing their match against St Bede's School. Emily scored the first goal of the match and the team was working hard to win.

After the first half the score was a 5-5 draw with both teams playing very well. Unfortunately in the end St Bede's won with a final score of 7-11. Rebecca was player of the match but every girl played amazingly.

Reported by Scarlett Potter



CAREERS

LUNCHTIME CAREER TALK – WORKING WITH ANIMALS

Thirty-five children attended our latest career talk by the Head Vet and Veterinary Nurse from Priory Vets.

The children listened intently as they talked about what inspired them to follow this career path. They were very helpful in answering questions regarding what subjects the children should choose for GCSE and A level, what universities were looking for and how work experience was particularly useful. They spoke about the fun and rewarding aspect of the job but also the long and unsociable working hours in the evenings and at weekends.

The children still had further questions after our time ran out so Priory Vets have very kindly offered to come back another time.

Our next lunchtime careers talk will be on Wednesday 7th February by a former student, Jessica Brittain, on the opportunities in Law.



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.