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**NEWSLETTER** 

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

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I would like to draw to the attention of all parents and carers that next week is an 'open door' week at school when you will have the opportunity to tour the school and see it in action. A member of the senior leadership team will show groups of visitors around the school and answer any questions. I am always proud to show visitors around the school as I know that they will see hard working, engaged students being taught by fabulous teachers. The most frequent comments I receive from visitors are, "it's so quiet and calm" and "it's so different from when I went to school". If you'd like to see it for yourself, please book a place on one of our tours.

Tours are taking place at 9.10am and 10.10am each day by appointment. Please telephone the school and our receptionists will be happy to book you a tour.

Mrs Wardlow

## **NOTICES**

#### **CAREERS**

Please have a look at our new careers section on the school website (under heading 'Academic' then 'Post 16') where you will find information about apprenticeship vacancies, careers events and direction to some useful websites.

## STUDENT SERVICES

We've had a couple of students with sore throats this week. Whilst we do not keep lozenges or throat sweets in Student Services you are more than welcome to send some in with your child if you think it might help.

A lovely necklace has been handed in to lost property and we'd love to reunite it with its owner. Also some house keys need a home!

SPOTLIGHT			
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT			
YEAR 7 -	Daisy Hobbs for her amazing effort with class and homework in English and for her helpfulness in class		
	even if it means being the last to leave.		
YEAR 8 -	Euan Bell for his excellent contribution to the successful Reigate School Lego League team.		
YEAR 9 -	James Wilson for his excellent engineering work on the successful Reigate School Lego League team.		
YEAR 10 -	Paige Cawtheray for her outstanding performances in recent assemblies.		
YEAR 11 -	The Prefect Team for their help during the Year 11 Parents' Evening.		

BEST ATTENDANCE				
Year 7	7JWH	100%		
Year 8	8JDA	99.6%		
Year 9	9ARU	100%		
Year 10	10CHA	99.3%		
Year 11	11JPA	99.3%		
Whole School Attenda	nce 96%	·		

#### **NEWS AND EVENTS**



## LOVE TO SING, DANCE OR ACT?

Auditions for 'Star for a Night 2016' are taking place on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February. Registration for auditions is from 1pm to 4pm on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February and from 1pm to 2.30pm on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Applicants will be seen in order of registration until the finishing time.

**Singers** – please bring a prepared song of one verse and a chorus, either unaccompanied or with a backing CD/iPod.

**Dancers** – please bring a prepared dance lasting no more than two minutes, with your own backing CD/iPod.

**Actors** – please bring a prepared piece lasting no more than two minutes. You may audition in a small group or on your own.

Taking part in Star for a Night 2016 gives you the chance to win a one year scholarship to So You Wanna Be Theatre School or a one year scholarship to Urban Play street dance classes. Performances will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm at The Harlequin Theatre, Redhill.

Please go to www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/starforanight for more details and an application form.

#### HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL EVENING

The Worshipful The Mayor of Reigate & Banstead Council Cllr Mrs Joan Spiers and Reigate School would like to invite you to a very special event on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm.



The evening will include songs, mime and music from students from several local schools and groups as well as a talk from Holocaust survivor Eve Gill. If you would like to attend, tickets are available from the box office at no cost <a href="mailto:boxoffice@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk">boxoffice@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk</a>.

# CONGRATULATIONS

Mr Alexander and I had the pleasure of drawing names for students who had gained more than 25 aggregate achievement points in each of the year groups. For each 25 points gained a named ticket was entered into the draw. Two names were drawn for each Year group from 7-10, each received £10 Amazon voucher. Three were drawn for Year 11, each received a complimentary ticket to the Year 11 Prom. Congratulations to the students below:

Chloe Hedges – 7LSI Jago Fitzgerald – 7JMR Valentino Phillips – 8SMO Joshua Young – 8BWI Daisy Wilson-Owen – 9NMO Rachel Edwards – 9ARU Mariella Driskell – 10RJO Joshua Chease - 10SEV Freya Turner – 11PWR Francesca Hookway – 11SRA Umme Islam - 11JKE

Miss Sutton

#### **SPORTS NEWS**

BOYS' FOOTBALL Year 7 vs WARLINGHAM

The Year 7 boys entered the 7-a-side tournament at Warlingham School on Monday 11th January. Six schools were involved, playing each other in a round robin league competition. Out of our five games we won two and drew three. This meant we ended up on 9 points, tied first place with Oakwood School and The Beacon School. Unfortunately, The Beacon had a better goal difference than us, meaning they won the tournament with Reigate School coming a very close runner-up. Congratulations to all the boys involved for a fine team performance!!!

#### **SPORTS NEWS**

## BOYS' FOOTBALL Year 7 vs Year 8

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January the Year 7s played the Year 8s in a friendly winter warmer to kick-start the New Year. It was an opportunity to blow away the excesses of the festive period and set the standard for the second half of the football season.

The first half saw a very hard-fought contest with neither team giving way to the other. The Year 7s played some very positive 'total football' almost outclassing the Year 8s. Few opportunities on goal presented themselves for either team and brought them both safely to half time with the match nicely poised for the second half. The managers' team talks would be crucial in deciding the outcome!

Such a fixture needed a very tight rein and flawless experience, as officiating would be key to establishing the mood of the match. Needless to say Mr Simmonds-Dance was asked to step up and take charge of the first half. This set the tone and the football flowed without incident!

The second half began very similar to the first. After 10 minutes or so it was evident that the Year 8s had the upper hand, playing football that wouldn't look out of place in Brazil. Mr Strachan recognised this and decided to 'park the bus!' The bus, however, soon got a puncture and it was only a matter of time before the first goal was inevitable.

A superior team talk delivered by Mr Davis proved telling and the Year 8's ran away 3-0 winners by the time the final whistle was blown. All students were an absolute credit to the Reigate shirt and both teams deserve success for the rest of their respective campaigns.

Mr Thompson, Director of Reigate School Football, commented after the match, "It was great to see such a positive display of football from all of our students. The progress of these teams, I'm pleased to say, is in very good hands." Furthermore, Mr Thompson wanted it on record "A flawless display in the first half of how to officiate. Thank you Mr Simmonds-Dance."

#### GIRLS' FOOTBALL

The Year 7 girls' football team attended a tournament at The Wawrick School on Thursday the 14th January. In their first game against Warwick they went 1-0 behind but equalised through captain Emily Robinson. The game finished 2-1 after the goal keeper parried the ball into the path of Libby Williamson who scored the rebound. Unfortunately the team then faced two very strong teams in Oxted and de Stafford losing each game 2-0 but they take confidence from their first performance and hope for a good result in their match next Monday against Ursuline School.

#### **NETBALL**



The Year 7 netball team travelled to Oakwood School on the 11th January. The team performed very well, eventually winning 12-3. Lara was chosen by the opposition as player of the match having scored 6 of the 12 goals. Well done Rebecca, Emily, Abby, Lara, Lily, Ava and Hayley.

#### CAREERS

#### LUNCHTIME CAREERS TALKS

Melanie Chart kindly came into school this week to talk to students about her job in the textiles and soft furnishings industry. She brought with her some of her beautiful work including blinds, cushions and quilts and all of her coursework that she completed at college to show the students exactly what studying for this would entail. The time flew by far too quickly with the students asking many questions and being inspired by learning what they could do in the future if this is the path they choose.

Our next lunchtime careers talk is on Wednesday 27th January by Staff Sergeant Duncan Bennett from the Army Cadet College in Brighton.

Mrs Grew Exams/Careers Officer

#### **CAREER GUIDANCE**

Below are some very useful websites which have plenty of information regarding further education, apprenticeships and career choices plus interview techniques and many other tips.







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www.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.icould.com

www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk