

Reigate School

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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Young Carers Awareness Day was on 31st January 2019. The purpose of the day is to raise public awareness of the challenges faced by young people because of their caring role and to campaign for greater support for young carers and their needs. A young carer will take on additional responsibilities to those appropriate to their age and development. For more information on young carers, our young carers' policy is on our website.

The University of Surrey are in school next week to hold some workshops for the Year 7s and 8s. They hope to give them an insight into university life. We are also holding revision workshops for the Year 11s on Friday in preparation for their mock exams after half term and GCSEs in the summer.

Good luck to our top mathematicians who have been invited to take part in the national UK Maths Challenge on Thursday. Any that do particularly well will be invited to represent the school in a team challenge at a later date.

We look forward to welcoming the Year 7 parents and carers to meet with their child's form tutor on Thursday. We will let the Year 9 parents and carers know a new date for their parents evening as soon as it is confirmed.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Ivo Angelov for going above and beyond with his History homework.
Year 8	Finley Dixon for his consistent hard work in both Geography and Spanish.
Year 9	Kayleigh Tulk for her amazing effort in maths.
Year 10	Abudi Bala, Oscar Bloomfield, Megan Casse, Joseph Critchlow, Onnen Denman Tanner, Abigail Grant, Joshua Large, Jonothan Mugford, India Rogers and Mace Worcester for presenting in the Year 8 Options assemblies.
Year 11	Charlie Hawkins for his wider contribution to the school community.

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7LWA
Year 8	8CWH
Year 9	9LSW
Year 10	10MKI
Year 11	11SMA

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7MDA	100%
Year 8	8CWH	98%
Year 9	9PWR	97.9%
Year 10	10MKI	97.7%
Year 11	11LRD	98.7%

Whole School Attendance 94.4%

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 4 th February	University of Surrey workshops for Year 7.
Tuesday 5 th February	University of Surrey workshops for Year 8.
Thursday 7 th February	Year 9 & 10 Maths Challenge. Year 7 Form Tutor evening.
Friday 8 th February	Year 11 Revision Workshop.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Year 9	TBC
Year 7	Thursday 7 th February (meetings will be with form tutors only)
Year 10	Thursday 28 th February
Year 8 (Options Evening)	Thursday 7 th March
Year 8	Thursday 14 th March

NEWS AND EVENTS

A Year 8 class was tasked to write an original poem about love inspired by Romeo and Juliet. Here is one by Sophia Walsh.

Love Poem

An image of completion,
Whole, picture-perfect, untouched,
A shapely silhouette, flawless,
Associated with love,
Does love have to be perfect then?

By creating this ideal figure,
Known globally as a 'love heart',
All victims fixate on this dream of wonderlust,
Transfixed by the stories of your passed fantasies,
Slowly poisoning their imaginations,
And tinting their visions of love with fake news,
Drunkards of passion, hope, lies...

The Gram* plagues it's disciples,
One after the other,
Pressurising its representatives into being a new cliché,

But only on the outside...

We follow like believers,
Infected by this contagious delusion you've cast upon us,
Spell-bound, enchanted,
You blind us,
Never revealing the harrowing truth,

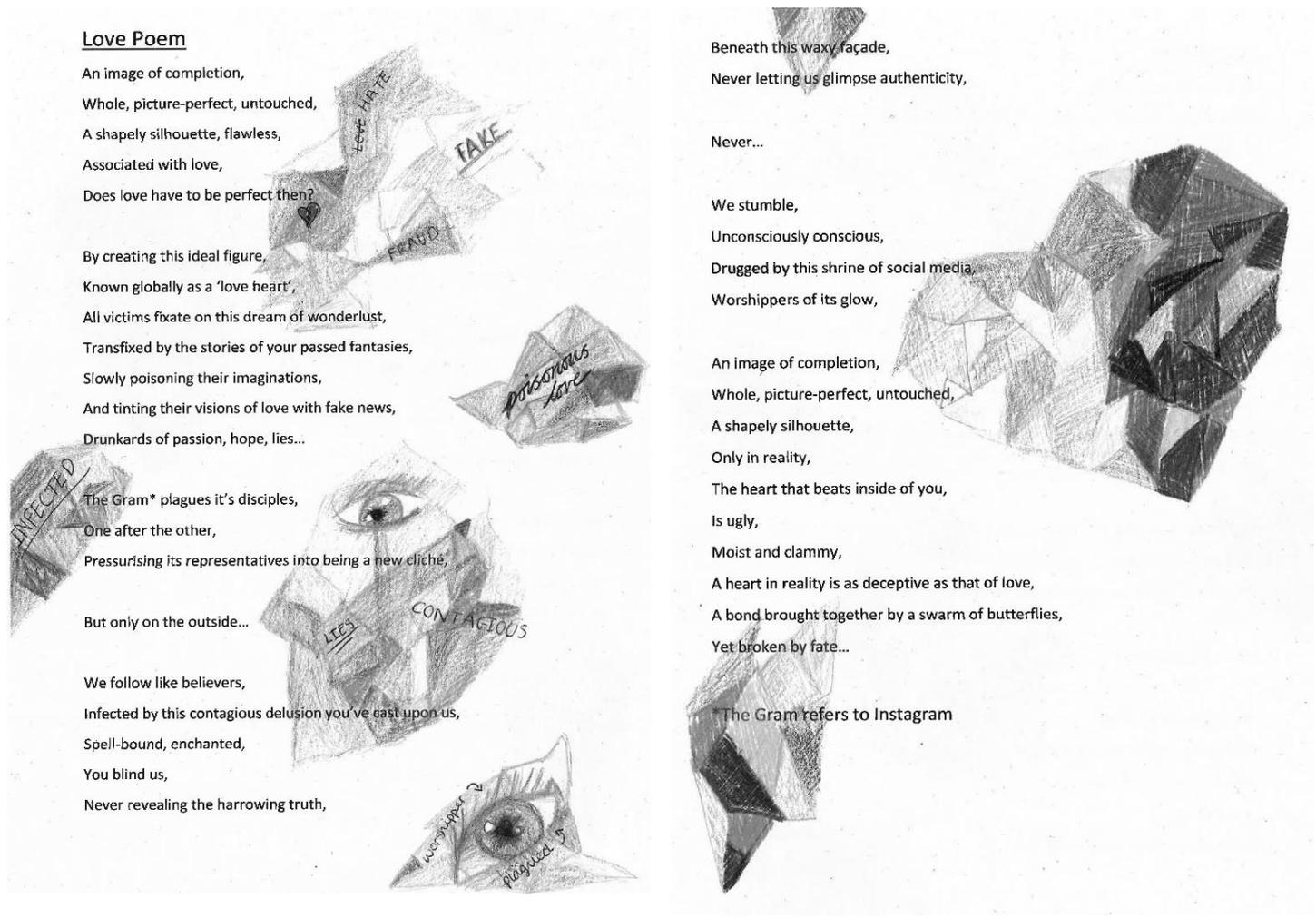
Beneath this waxy façade,
Never letting us glimpse authenticity,

Never...

We stumble,
Unconsciously conscious,
Drugged by this shrine of social media,
Worshippers of its glow,

An image of completion,
Whole, picture-perfect, untouched,
A shapely silhouette,
Only in reality,
The heart that beats inside of you,
Is ugly,
Moist and clammy,
A heart in reality is as deceptive as that of love,
A bond brought together by a swarm of butterflies,
Yet broken by fate...

*The Gram refers to Instagram



HEGARTYMATHS

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



Top Correct Answers 26th January – 1st February

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Patrycja Skiba Isabelle Walker Spencer Hawley Dheyona Rajendra Sam Rolaston Luke Bartley George Burrows Lily Woodhams Zac Cusden Joshua Saunders	Troy Jacobs Gracie Budgen Nyah Fisher Tia-Louise Savage Anna Ratajczak Reece Langley Alexander Blair Marianne Salmon Kayla O'Neill Adam Atkins	Jack Waters Robbie Davies Sadie Jenkins Amna Perveez Ella Sherlock Chloe Lacey Zuzanna Skiba Jason Chapman Joanne Lewer Alfie Taylor	Amy Brown Lucas Dodimead Scarlett Pearce Amanda Stapley Bethany Macdonald Maya Smith Rachel Western Georgina Hunter-Haschka Abudi Bala Travis Avery	Holly Goodbourn Theo Baur Hayden Lodge Caspar Pierce Rory Copperthwaite Oliver Shaw Arminas Brasas Efan Fisher Toby Maynard Abigail Millar

NOTICES

INSIGHT FOR YEARS 7 TO 10.

We have recently launched INSIGHT, a new electronic tool for our current Years 7 to 10. INSIGHT is designed to provide you with a greater level of access to the data we hold on your child and will enable you to see live updates on how your child is getting on at school. The system will also be used for downloading end of term reports and next year will be used for booking Parents' Evening appointments.



You should have received an email providing you with login details for INSIGHT. We can only send your login details if you have returned your contact forms with an e-mail address. If you have returned your forms but not received an email please check your junk mail folder in your email account. If you are still unable to find the email then please contact us via email at info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk or telephone 01737 243166.

If you have your login details, but are experiencing technical difficulties then email our IT team using itservices@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk.

DIGITAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING RESOURCE FOR YEAR 7s

Surrey secondary school children are the first in the country to benefit from being able to access health and wellbeing information and advice through an innovative online poster launched by Children and Family Health Surrey. A screenshot of the poster is below and you can access the interactive poster by clicking on this link.

<https://prezi.com/view/8WBAcxPN1JcvZ8S8nZ2b/>



**Children and
Family Health
Surrey**

LACROSSE CLUB

The new lacrosse club is thriving. Well done to all of the children who have attended lacrosse club in the cold weather! There is some real talent and potential being demonstrated with their eagerness to learn the sport.



YEAR 10 FOOTBALL MATCH VS WARLINGHAM

After a frustrating season ending up on the wrong end of some very close games, a well-deserved positive result finally came our way. On a cold Tuesday evening on up on the hill at Warlingham School we took a strong squad of 16 players all eager to perform well and secure their position in the team. We made a confident start with a new 4-4-2 formation, the two centre backs of Owen Hunt and Joel Manrow dominating from the first minute. Harvey Wood put in another physical display in CDM allowing Ben Ruth space in front to play a more creative role, putting in a number of good through balls to Adam Adam and Zach Chant up top. Adam broke the deadlock with a clinical left foot finish, whilst we created a number of other good chances through our two wingers Abudi Bala and Cruz Sidir. The Warlingham side were limited to only shots from range, with our goalkeeper Ethan Monk barely tested in the opening half.

The pattern continued in the second half, until a moment of brilliance (or luck) from Toby Marcroft changed the game. The ball rebounded to him on the left hand touchline, however he hit the ball cleanly on the volley to what initially looked like a cross but it quickly transpired that the ball nestled in the top right hand corner of the goal giving the keeper no chance of stopping it! With a two goal cushion we made a variety of changes to give everyone a game and held on for a comfortable victory.

This result will move us further up the league table and means we qualify for the next round of the cup competition where we will meet Oxted School (who we lost to earlier in the season to a last minute winner!) Hopefully revenge will be sweet!

TALKING TEENS WORKSHOP

Dovers Green Sure Start Children's centre are running free workshops aimed at Year 7 and 8 parents. Please book with them directly if you are interested.

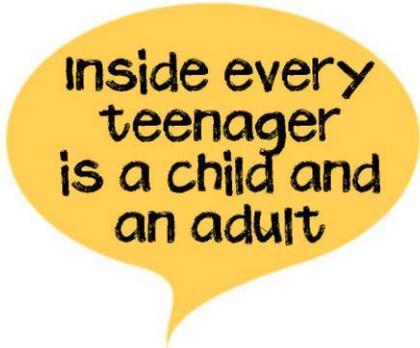
What is Talking Teens?

Teenagers are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but being a parent of one can be stressful and challenging.

The Talking Teens Parent Group helps deal with those challenges so you can have a calmer, happier family life.

A tried and tested Programme, it helps us think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel and looks at questions that many parents have, like:

- How can I stop my child always getting the last word?
- Why do they always sleep in so late?
- Can I do anything to help them argue less?
- What's normal?
- Why don't they want to tell me how they're feeling?



The Four Sessions

- 1: Being a parent of a teenager; The role of parents for teenagers; Responding to difficult feelings
- 2: Understanding your teenager; Understanding teenage development; Parenting styles; Praise and criticism
- 3: Communicating with your teenager; Talking and listening; Communicating clearly; Handling difficult issues
- 4: Managing conflict; Rules and boundaries; Choosing how to respond; Problem solving

Practical information

There are four 2-hour sessions over four weeks

10-20 parents are invited and there are two Family Links trained group leaders

Partners are welcome and it's also fine to come on your own or with another relative or friend

You'll get the most out of the Programme if you come to all four sessions.



How the Talking Teens Parent Group has helped other parents

- "I realised that you're really needed as a parent even if your teenager behaves otherwise"
- "I'm doing a better job than I thought I was"
- "I like the time for discussion during the sessions"
- "It has been really interesting and informative, both leaders great and lovely approach, felt very relaxed"

The Nurturing Programme Talking Teens Parent Group

where:
Dovers Green Children's Centre
Rushetts Road
Reigate
RH2 7RF

when:
Thursday Evenings 7:30pm – 9:30pm
7th March (week 1)
14th March (week 2)
21st March (week 3)
28th March (week 4)

Contact details:
Dovers Green Sure Start Children's Centre
Telephone: 01737 223621
Email: childrenscentre@dovers-green.surrey.sch.uk
£10 donation includes a handbook, £15 per couple



Talking Teens Parent Group

Information for parents and carers



check out familylinks.org.uk/Parents



familylinks.org.uk
Charity no. 1062514

NOTICES

EDUCATION AND HEALTH SEMINARS

We are pleased to be able to offer Education and Health Seminars which aim to offer up to date information and advice about some of the issues we often have concerns about as professionals, parents and carers. We are offering these through our alliance with the i2i Teaching Partnership and they will be hosted in the Medici Theatre, Weydon School, Farnham.

There is a non-refundable charge of £5 and they can be booked via Eventbrite using the link below. Please print and bring your ticket since places are limited due to space. Limited parking is also available on site but please do arrive in plenty of time to guarantee a space. We hope that you will find these seminars useful and we look forward to extending a warm welcome to you at each one. The seminar title and schedule is below:

Monday 25 th February	Online safety and social media seminar	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-and-social-media-seminar-tickets-53536357687
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ATTENDANCE

We would like to remind all parents and children about the importance of regular school attendance. Children are expected to attend 100% of the time, be punctual every day and show good behaviour in lessons. Parents are expected to phone the absence line on every day of absence to notify the school of the reason for your child's absence.

Telephone number: **01737 245241 (Available 24 hours)**. **Your message should include your child's name, tutor group, reason for absence and your name.**

This year, good attendance, punctuality and behaviour are being rewarded with a trip to Thorpe Park in the summer term for Years 7-10. To qualify your child must have 95 points, which is made up from 95% attendance and points awarded because of good behaviour on their reports each term. Children can also lose points for poor behaviour on their reports and for persistent lateness.

What are acceptable reasons for absence?

Some examples are vomiting, diarrhoea, high temperature, hospital appointments, and funerals.

Unacceptable reasons include:

Headache, tiredness, stomach-ache, colds, coughs, birthdays, haircuts, shopping days, duvet days! Children who have broken bones can normally be accommodated in school after discussion with Heads of Year.

Leave of absence during term time

It is highly unlikely that the Head of School will grant permission for a leave of absence during term time. These can only be considered in the most exceptional circumstances and must be applied for in advance using the absence request form available from the office. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on the school website for more information.

Will I be made aware if my child's attendance is low?

Yes, if their attendance falls below an acceptable level, a letter of concern will be sent to you and you may be asked to provide medical evidence. If there is no improvement a meeting will be arranged to discuss the situation and you may be referred to the Education Welfare Service. The Government guidelines state that if your child falls below 90% attendance they are classed as persistently absent.

YEAR 11 GCSE EXAM NOTICE

Please be aware that the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) requires all Year 11 children to be available until the 27th June 2019. This is because an awarding body (exam board) may need to invoke its contingency plan which would require children to go into their school up until the 27th June 2019. In light of this, please do not book holidays that begin before the 27th June 2019 or other events that would mean your child would be unable to come into school.

SAFEGUARDING



Thinkuknow is an education programme from the National Crime Agency's CEOP Command. Since 2006, Thinkuknow has been keeping children and young people safe by providing education about sexual abuse and sexual exploitation. Thinkuknow is unique. It is underpinned by the latest intelligence about child sex offending from CEOP Command. Thinkuknow aims to ensure that everyone has access to this practical information – children, young people, their parents and carers and the professionals who work with them. Alongside the Thinkuknow website the programme provides educational resources, including films, cartoons and lesson plans, to help parent/carers and professionals raise young people's awareness. <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

CAREERS

CAREERS HOT- DESKING

Reigate School would like to invite people from the world of work to take part in our careers event on Wednesday 17th July 2019 from 9am to 3pm. Small groups of children from Years 8 and 9 will ask you questions about your profession and what you do, how you got to where you are and what educational route you took. If you can help, please contact the school for further details. Thank you.

Mrs Grew
Careers Officer

EAST SURREY COLLEGE OPENING DAYS

East Surrey College is opening its doors for an opportunity to look around the facilities and discuss courses with lecturers.

Wednesday 27th February 2019 17:30 - 19:30
Saturday 15th June 2019 10:00 - 13:00



VISIT US AT OUR OPEN EVENT

- Welcome talk from Jayne Dickinson, Principal and Chief Executive and Kevin Standish, Deputy Principal, Curriculum and Standards
- Apprenticeship information talk
- Higher Education information talk
- Discuss the best course for your chosen career
- Access advice and guidance on English & Maths qualifications
- Tour our top quality facilities and discover our range of support services
- Take part in interactive activities around the college
- Chat to existing students and industry specialists
- Find out how work experience and employability skills are embedded into all our courses
- Apply for your place!

"The quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good"
Ofsted Report, January 2015

"Teachers focus strongly on supporting students to develop employability skills through work experience or work-related projects"
Ofsted Report, January 2015

OFSTED RATED OUTSTANDING AREAS:

- Early Years & Playwork
- Health & Social Care
- Media & Communication
- Visual Arts

PRE-REGISTER ONLINE

www.esc.ac.uk
East Surrey College, Gatton Point, London Road, Redhill, Surrey RH1 2JX

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.allaboutschoollleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com