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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

This week I would like to congratulate our school choir who performed on stage at the SSE Arena, Wembley as part of the Voice in a Million Concert. On Wednesday some of our Year 10s cooked up a three course meal for our Board of Governors which went extremely well. Full reports will be in next week's newsletter.

Last night we held the information evening for parents and carers for the Normandy trip during the Easter break, I hope they all have a great time. We look forward to welcoming our Year 9 parents and carers at the rescheduled parents' evening on Thursday 28th March.

Enjoy your weekend

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Lily-May Fiech for winning the gymnastics National Qualifiers and a place at the National Gymnastic Finals.
Year 8	All the Year 8 girls who sang wonderfully in the school choir on stage at Wembley Arena as part of the Voice in a Million Concert.
Year 9	Jack Waters and Dameer Moosakutty for their exceptional effort and hard work in History.
Year 10	Megan Lodge for her support and hard work in Dance.
Year 11	Darci Mattock for improving her Geography GCSE mock result by 4 grades.

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7LWA
Year 8	8PBO
Year 9	9PWR
Year 10	10HSK
Year 11	11JHU

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7MMA, 7MHY, 7TMA, 7MDA	100%
Year 8	8CWO	100%
Year 9	9JMA, 9SCA	98.5%
Year 10	10MKI	98.7%
Year 11	11EN2	97.9%

Whole School Attendance 95.6%

UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday 27 th March	Year 8 – East Surrey College and Reigate College Activity Day
Thursday 28 th March	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Saturday 30 th March	Two day DofE Practice Expedition at Bentley Copse

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Year 9	Thursday 28 th March
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NEWS AND EVENTS

YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO EASTBOURNE

On Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th March two and three Year 10 Geography GCSE classes respectively, travelled down to the shingle beach at Eastbourne to investigate the impact that the groynes is having on a process known as longshore drift.

GEOGRAPHY TRIP continued

Longshore drift involves the natural movement of sediment along the coastline, in this case from west to east which can cause issues if it leaves settlements and valuable land exposed to erosion and flooding from the sea. The groynes' job is to hold the sediment in place, protecting the valuable land and properties on the coast.



Armed with tape measures and ranging poles, the children set out on what turned out to be rather blustery days, despite the calmer conditions back at Reigate. After parking next to the pier, they formed themselves into groups and set about measuring the height of the shingle either side of the groynes along with the beach length either side of each groyne. This would allow the children back in class to determine whether or not the groynes were interfering with the natural process of longshore drift.

On each of the days that we went, it was very clear that the groynes were having an impact, due to the sediment being over a metre higher on the south western sides compared to the north eastern sides. Due to an extremely high tide on Wednesday it was decided it was impossible to gain safe access to the groynes so visual observations had to be taken

and the previous days data used back in class. The groups on Wednesday understood that with any geographical enquiry safety is of paramount importance and that events cannot always be planned for.

After measurements had been taken, the children were allowed some down time on the landward end of the pier and to eat their lunch. They seemed very grateful to be allowed to warm up in the café with chips and hot chocolate, but they worked hard gathering their data so this was a just reward for them! The children are now busy writing up their findings back in class and will need to commit this information to memory ready for their Geography exam next summer.

Reported by Mrs Larsen

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 15th March – 22nd March

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Zac Cusden Ivo Angelov Amelia Hawley Patrycja Skiba Izzie Sheehan Ellie Stepien George Burrows Asim Shahraz Martha Snape Isabelle Walker	Ruby Finnigan Kayla O'Neill Caydey Gough Maisie Casse Theodore Perry-Brown Lucy Mascall Amelia Macpherson Alexa Hyde Florence Weids Jack Dempsey	Oliver Shepherd Sadie Jenkins Ella Bryant Abbie Moulton Thomas Goodbourn James Musk Zuzanna Skiba Euan Waite Zaira Lawrence Hannah Ruffle	Chloe Hedges Lucas Dodimead Ella Rodd Eda Lay Eshal Kashif Toby Driskell Abigail Grant Kyle Campbell Emily McClean Scarlett Pearce	Charlotte Peyton Oskar Brzozowski Lily Collman Lucy Stannard George Seymour Daniel Robinson Sam Flatt Hollie-Mae Boittiaux Holly Simmons Georgia Knight

SPORTS NEWS

YEAR 7 V YEAR 8 FOOTBALL MATCH

On Tuesday 19th March the Year 7 versus Year 8 football match took place. It was a very competitive fixture between two strong sides. Both teams played in good spirits with the end result of 3 – 2 to Year 8.

KS3 DISTRICT TRAMPOLINING COMPETITION AT OAKWOOD SCHOOL

On Tuesday 19th March, eight children from Reigate School headed to Oakwood School for a KS3 Trampoline Competition. The journey there by minibus was full of excitement; everyone was ready and eager to perform their routines.

With the children being split into 'Closed' and 'Open' sections allowing them to compete fairly against competitors of the same ability, we had the potential to take home medals in both categories.

Reigate School demonstrated an excellent display of sporting talent, with each child performing both of their routines fantastically. They had to perform the set routine which everyone must perform and then their voluntary routine, which the children create themselves allowing them to add some of their impressive skills. The scores from each routine, including a difficulty rating for their voluntary routine is added together to give their overall total.

Everyone did amazingly well. Out of the eight competitors, six won medals including three golds, two silvers and one bronze. Well done to Bodi, Blake and Eric for their golds, Abigail and Ralph on their silvers and Isabelle on her bronze. Well done also to Anna and Mathilde for their fantastic efforts throughout, narrowly missing out on medals in a very large category.

Another very proud day for Reigate School with all children showing not only their wonderful ability and potential but also fantastic behaviour and motivation.



Reported by Miss Stevens

NOTICES

LOST PROPERTY

We have a few pairs of glasses, a Samsung phone, an Apple phone, 3 watches, various items of jewellery and various keys along with the usual uniform, PE kits, coats and accessories.



VACANCIES

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST

Term Time Only – 35 hours per week (Preferred hours 8.30am to 4.00pm but can be flexible)

FTE £19,245 – actual £15,950 (G5)

Following promotion of our existing jobholder, we are looking to appoint an exceptional person to this role. Applicants need to be highly organised with excellent communication skills. GCSE Maths and English are essential.

Reigate School is a unique place to work and we want to appoint someone who will fully commit to its values and ethos. The job role is varied and a full description can be found in the job profile on the school website.

Closing date: Friday 29th March 2019

Interview date: possibly week commencing 1st April 2019

Start date: 23rd April 2019

IT TECHNICIAN

36 hours per week (4 or 5 days)

Salary circa £25,000

With the expansion of Greensand Multi Academy Trust, we are looking for an enthusiastic and qualified IT Technician to work within our busy department at Reigate School. Candidates should have experience within the IT sector, supporting networks and individual users.

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EXAM INVIGILATORS

£10 per hour - casual

We are looking for Invigilators to help with exams. We use invigilators for the GCSE mocks in November and February and the main GCSE exams from May to June. A timetable is sent out by the Exam Officer and the invigilators let her know the dates and times they could offer.

We also ask our invigilators to help out with curricular school trips.

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What we can offer:

The opportunity to be part of a team with a strong vision and shared values and purpose.

A competitive salary.

Support to carry out your role.

A motivated and supportive environment.

Employee benefits: Local Government Pension Scheme, Holiday Pay, Staff Assistance Programme and Surrey Rewards (My Benefits).

Training opportunities.

Further details and our application forms can be found on the website www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk or you may contact the school by telephone - 01737 243166 or email - s.carr@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk

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The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. An enhanced DBS check will be required.



Specsavers Surrey Youth Games

Free Sports Coaching April - June 2019

Choose from a wide range of sports including badminton, hockey, judo and more!



Learn to play a brand new sport with eight weeks of free coaching.

Train to compete in the Surrey wide competition which takes place on 15-16 June 2019.

Complete beginners welcome.

All sport training takes place at various locations across the borough.



Registration opens 18 February 2019 - details at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/randbeactive

Contact us at leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk • 01737 276693



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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>

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.

CAREERS

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.

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

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PRE-REGISTER ONLINE

CAREERS

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.barclayslifefskills.com



www.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com