

# Reigate School

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## NEWSLETTER

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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we enter the thick of the examination season, all year groups are preparing for formal assessments. Clearly the Year 11 public examinations are extremely important and we are doing everything we can to support the students through them, but we also recognise that examinations at any level can cause anxiety. We encourage students to speak to a member of staff as soon as possible if they are particularly worried so that we can help and I extend that request to parents and carers. There are a few basic guidelines that everyone can follow that will be beneficial on the day of the examination:

- Get a good night's sleep.
- Wake up early so that you do not need to rush through having breakfast and getting ready.
- Have a balanced breakfast and eat nothing risky. Bananas are always a good option. Sugary snacks and drinks are not a good idea.
- If there are people around who are panicking, encourage them to speak to a member of staff and don't let them panic you.
- Go to the toilet before the exam starts.
- Don't be afraid to ask a member of staff before or during the exam if you are unsure about anything.
- Stay calm, you have done your homework and have nothing to fear!

Good luck to you all

Mrs Wardlow

### NOTICES

#### STUDENT SERVICES

A huge thank you to all the Year 8 girls who had their inoculation last week. They were as good as gold and even the nurses commented on how well behaved and lovely they were.

With hay fever season upon us, please ensure that all sufferers take the necessary precautions before coming to school. Alternatively, students could bring their own (named) box into school for Student Services to keep hold of, for when and if they need it. We do not have a supply at Student Services, so please don't rely on us to be able to help. As we're fond of saying, "We're not Boots the chemist!"

Thank you.

### SPOTLIGHT

#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

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| Year 7  | Leo Middleton for always being polite, positive and helpful in form.                                 |
| Year 8  | Hayden Yammie for his amazing baked Alaska in the student showcase!                                  |
| Year 9  | Elizabeth James for her great work with the band in assembly.  |
| Year 10 | The girls' athletics team who took part in District Sports coming 2 <sup>nd</sup> out of 11 schools. |
| Year 11 | Freya Turner for her continued excellent effort.   |

#### BEST ATTENDANCE

|         |       |       |
|---------|-------|-------|
| Year 7  | 7JWH  | 98.3% |
| Year 8  | 8MBR  | 100%  |
| Year 9  | 9ARU  | 96.5% |
| Year 10 | 10CHA | 100%  |
| Year 11 | 11AHE | 100%  |

**Whole School Attendance 95.3%**

REIGATE AND REDHILL MUSIC AND DRAMA FESTIVAL 2016



Last week two of our talented singing groups competed in the Reigate and Redhill Music and Drama Festival. Reigate School Vocal Ensemble, which involves six students from Years 9 and 10 pictured above, sang the haunting piece 'The Hanging Tree' from the Hunger Games followed by a more lively piece 'Party In The USA' from Pitch Perfect. Both pieces were a *cappella* and were very challenging to learn. Their performance was beautiful and the adjudicator stated that this was 'a really impressive piece of a *cappella* singing - well done!' then awarded them Honours and the cup for their class.

Reigate School Choir, which involves only KS3, competed later in the day. Their warm performance of 'Seasons Of Love' from Rent and 'Touch The Sky' from Brave was also awarded with Honours.

The singers at Reigate School are always improving their sound as soloists and ensembles. They are becoming far more expressive in their vocals and their harmonies are without fault. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Amy-Beth Smith for her help with the choir. I would also like to say at this point that I am very proud of our choirs and all that they do for the school.

Mrs Ranft  
Performing Arts Teacher

YEAR 9 FORMAL MOCK TESTS

Year 9 students will be taking formal mock tests in English on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Maths on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The tests will last one and a half hours and will take place in the exam halls under GCSE examination conditions. These formal tests will provide valuable information about how your child is progressing in these core subjects and will familiarise your child with working under formal exam conditions.

The tests are for internal purposes only and will not be formally recorded. Your child should already be aware of these forthcoming tests. If you have any further questions please contact the school either by telephone 01737 243166 or email [info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk).

Mr Scannella  
Assistant Headteacher

## SPORTS NEWS

### YMCA EAST SURREY FUN RUN



YMCA East Surrey was gifted with a sun-soaked Priory Park for their annual Fun Run on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May. More than 1,500 runners took part in the event, celebrating its 17th year, with the adult and children's races proving to be a success. We are very proud to say that Poppy Wardley in Year 10 won the Under 16's 1-mile race.

## UPCOMING DATES

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Year 8 Maths exam.  
KS3 girls' rugby festival at Old Emanuel RFC.  
Dance Grade 3 Modern performance.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Reigate School Band and Orchestra rewards meal at Pizza Express  
9:30am – 10:30am KS3 Celebration of Success Ceremony (invitation only)  
3:30pm – 4:30pm Year 11 Celebration of Success Ceremony (invitation only)

## CAREERS

### LAUNCH OF SURREY'S NEW 'YOUR NEXT MOVE' PORTAL

Surrey County Council is launching a new portal which provides young people, parents and professionals with a wealth of information about the options available to young people upon leaving school. The portal outlines the different forms of participation that enable young people who are 16+ to meet their duty to participate in line with the Raising the Participation Age legislation.



You can find information about studying, apprenticeships, traineeships, supported internships, employment, volunteering and much, much more.

Some of the features of the portal include:

- An FAQ section for parents and young people
- Interactive post-16 provider maps
- A news and events section
- Participation information for those with SEND.

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 Your Next Move portal can help!

### CAREERS GUIDANCE

We have a careers section on the school website with lots of information regarding college open days, apprenticeship information, up and coming events and much more. You can find it under: Academic / Options at post 16 / Careers.

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.

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