

# Reigate School

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## NEWSLETTER

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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This week we have had the pleasure of welcoming students and parents in Year 6 who will be joining us in September. We were also joined by some Year 5s from various schools for taster sessions.

As promised we have some lovely photos taken at our Year 11 Leavers Ball in this week's newsletter along with an account of some of the activities from Science Week.

Students in Years 8, 9 and 10 will receive detailed information for Activities Week next week which will include timings and what to wear and bring. An overview of the week is below.

#### ACTIVITIES WEEK

	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July				
Year 8	Group A Kidzania JMR DMA JKA JWH	Group B *Box Hill (Art and Humanities) HSK MKI MTH MGE WVI	Group A *Box Hill (Art and Humanities) JMR DMA JKA JWH	Group B Kidzania HSK MKI MTH MGE WVI	Chosen Activity	Half Day End of Term			
	9.00		9.00	9.00			Departmental Activities (IT/ RE/ Performing Arts)		
	BREAK 10.30am – 11am		BREAK 10.30am – 11am				11.00	Departmental Activities (Food Tech / Science)	
	LUNCH 12.30pm – 1.00pm		LUNCH 12.30pm – 1.00pm				1.00	Sports Day	
Year 9	9.00	S Band Maths	R Band English	9.00	S Band English	R Band Maths	Outdoor Education Henfold Lakes  <small>*(students to meet at venue unless transport has been pre booked and paid for)</small>	Chosen Activity	Half Day End of Term
	BREAK 11.00am – 11.30am		BREAK 11.00am – 11.30am		BREAK 11.00am – 11.30am				
	11.30	Motivational Speaker (Hall)	11.30	Surrey University (Hall)	LUNCH 12.30pm – 1.00pm				
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1.00	Film Afternoon (Hall)	1.00	Sports Day	Sports Day					
Year 10	9.00	Careers	Outdoor Education Henfold Lakes  <small>*(students to meet at venue unless transport has been pre booked and paid for)</small>	Careers	Chosen Activity	Half Day End of Term			
	10.00	Motivational Speaker (Hall)							
	BREAK 11.00am – 11.30am								
	11.30	Careers							
	LUNCH 12.30pm – 1.00pm								
1.00	Sports Day	Sports Day							

### SPOTLIGHT

#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Jamie Boxall for going the extra mile and helping around school without being asked.
Year 8	Georgina Hunter-Haschka for volunteering to help her dad at work on INSET day.
Year 9	William King for an outstanding result in his GCSE end of topic test.
Year 10	Amber Banks and Tyrone Mhlanga for representing the school on the recent Whitechapel History trip with very positive and mature attitudes showing a learning curiosity they should be proud of.

### THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7LJE
Year 8	8MTH
Year 9	9EWL
Year 10	10JWI

### BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7LWA, 7LJA	100%
Year 8	8JKA	98.1%
Year 9	9SMO	96%
Year 10	10DSM	97.2%

**Whole School Attendance 93.9%**



Last Friday was the Year 11 Leavers' Ball. Students arrived at Epsom Racecourse in style by double decker bus, sports cars, old fashioned motors and we even saw one student arrive with an entourage of Harley Davidson motorbikes! The girls all looked beautiful and the boys dapper in their suits. It was a very proud moment for the Year 11 pastoral team.

Everyone enjoyed having their photo taken in the photo booth. Both students and staff danced all night - definitely a sign of a good party! We even saw a teacher vs. student dance off. Whoever knew so many teachers could throw shapes on the dancefloor? It was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of the exam period for our students. Thank you Year 11, we will see you on results day!



LEAVERS' BALL 2017



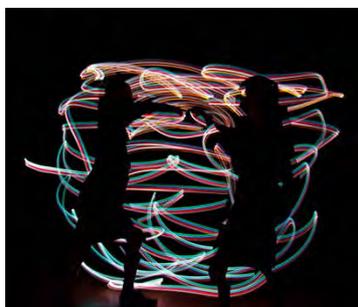


LIGHT DRAWING WORKSHOPS



SCIENCE  
Festival 2017

Year 7 and 8 students were able to experience some of the magic of how light works, including the truth behind rainbows and the whereabouts of the pot of gold. They learnt what happens when you mix the colours and had an extended session on how to make slow motion images using a variety of LED colours and a long exposure with a digital camera, which resulted in some fantastic images and a whole new approach to photography for many of the students.



FUN WITH DRY ICE

Dry ice was placed in a cylinder of alkali with indicator solution: it turned more acidic. The colour changed from purple>blue> turquoise> green (neutral)> yellow > orange. The "smoke" was in fact carbon dioxide mist.



### FRANKENSTEIN TALKS

Dr Harkup explained the science of the era that led to the British public's fascination with creating life using electricity and the publishing of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein novel.

She also spoke about the scientific breakthroughs that led to our understanding of the nervous system today and some of the workings of the brain. Dr Harkup also included some of the gruesome tales about body snatching, cages around graves and the infamous Scottish body snatchers Burke and Hare.



### BIG BANG SHOW QUIZ

Quiz show based on the Big Bang television show. The winning team was a student and staff mixed team.



### PANDEMIC GAMING SESSION

Students competed in teams to save the world from infectious diseases that were spreading fast, points were scored in a variety of ways such as how many diseases had been eradicated and how many cities were free of disease at the end.

The winning team had played the game for the first time, but managed to outscore teams that featured more experienced players in a close contest.



### COLA AND MENTOS

Ever wondered what happens if you mix bottles of coca cola with some mentos sweets?

Thousands of bubbles of carbon dioxide are made on the rough surface of each of the mentos. The pressure builds inside the bottle until the liquid is forced out.

### ROCKET LAUNCHES



The biggest height recorded used seven mentos and shot out a jet of spray to around 7m high!



### MUSICAL THEATRE EXAMS

Last week eleven students sat their London College of Music exams at Reigate Baptist Church. Our students performed exceptionally well and they achieved 7 Distinctions and 4 Merits.

The lowest entry grade was Grade 2 and Anna Clink in Year 10 obtained a Grade 8. Many thanks to Mr Osborne, Ms Crouch and Mrs Bailey for preparing the students so well.

If your child would be interested in having singing lessons please contact Mrs Hill

[bursar@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk).



### INSET DAY FOR GEORGINA

Instead of having a lie in and a lazy day on last Friday's INSET day, Georgina volunteered to work with her father who is the Caretaker at Yattendon Junior School.

It was an early start and quite a long day with a 7.15am start and a 4pm finish. Georgina was very helpful in assisting with many daily duties, she did not shy away from doing unpleasant jobs involving smelly dustbins. Some jobs were not suitable for safety reasons, so she offered to help in classes which was gratefully accepted. She assisted in a Year 3 maths lesson amongst others.

Georgina was also very helpful in looking after some Year 5 children when they were taken to and from Mercers Lake. Her help was very much appreciated by her father and we are very proud of how she behaved and worked.

### FENCING SUCCESS FOR ETHAN AND JACOB

Ethan Kew and Jacob Foulsham attended the British Cadet and Junior Championships for fencing at Nottingham University. Ethan got a silver medal and Jacob came 5th in Cadet Men's Epee. These are amazing achievements for them both and they still have a year left in the age group!

The boys train together twice a week and have been a great support to each other, which has helped them both achieve great results.





## NOTICES



### SCHOOL LUNCHES

We have been informed by Surrey Commercial Services that the price of a school meal will be increased to £2.30 as from September.

## UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Carneigie Group trip to see Mousetrap at St Martin's Theatre, London  
Watersports at Mercers Lake

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July

7SCA and 7LJA form trip to Laserworld, Crawley

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July

History visit to Whitechapel, London

Young Leaders at Multiskills Summer Festival, Weybridge

## CAREERS

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

Surrey County Council has launched 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 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 quiz which is fun to take and will give students 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](http://www.barclayslifeskills.com)



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