


# Reigate School

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## NEWSLETTER

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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

The teachers have been very busy setting up for tonight's open evening which we hope will follow the success of previous years.

It was fantastic to see so many Year 7 children attend the Freshers' Fair this week. They should now have much more of an idea of all the extra-curricular clubs that are on offer.

Today was the final day of re-marks for the GCSE exams. I'm glad to say the children benefited with a success rate of around 30% in increasing their grades.

There is a revision workshop for Year 10 and 11 parents next week. You can read more information on this later in the newsletter.

I hope the children enjoy their extended weekend.

Mr Alexander

### SPOTLIGHT

#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7 Ryan Hill for being an incredibly supportive friend and very helpful this week.

Year 8 Matilda Skyrme for going above and beyond in her photography homework.

Year 9 Ryan Glossop for an excellent week.

Year 10 Holly Goodbourn for her excellent captaincy of the netball team.

Year 11 Ethan Kew for his excellent Jekyll and Hyde work in English.

### THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7PBO
Year 8	8PWR
Year 9	9MTH
Year 10	10LRD
Year 11	11DSM

### BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7TSG	96.2%
Year 8	8JKE	93.3%
Year 9	9MKI	92.3%
Year 10	10IDA	91.3%
Year 11	11JWI	91.3%

**Whole School Attendance 88.1%**

### UPCOMING DATES

Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY Lunchtime Careers Talk: Fashion by Katie Hamnett. 6pm - 7pm. Battlefield's information evening for parents in Room D3. 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Year 10 and 11 parent revision workshop in the main hall.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	

## NOTICES

### PROVISIONAL GCSE TIMETABLE

A Provisional GCSE timetable for next Summer has been released. A copy can be found on the school website under Academic/ Examinations.



### LOST PROPERTY

Student Services have several pairs of headphones, half a dozen water bottles, five different sets of keys and jewellery already this term. Please check with them if you think something could be yours.

## NEWS AND EVENTS

### CADETS MARCH AT HEADLEY COURT'S FAREWELL

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, servicemen, armed forces, veterans and cadets had the privilege of giving their own farewells to the Headley Court Rehabilitation Centre whose new home is to be in Loughborough.

The chance to parade in front of thousands of spectators was definitely a privilege to take part in. A few others and myself from the Reigate detachment came not to spectate but to partake in parading through Dorking. The parade was one of the rare chances to meet high ranking officers and those who have been affected by war along with close relatives and friends. The royal member was the Countess of Wessex whose identity had been hidden until the day of the parade also attended. The spectators gave a significant amount of support with a wave of their British flag and rapturous applause; they made it a sight and experience to see. The final part of the parade ended with a heartfelt speech by the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey who paid tribute to Headley Court which was the proud home of the centre for 70 years.



Reported by Chloe Hedges

### MAKE YOUR MARK YOUTH PARLIAMENT VOTE

This week the whole school has taken part in the Make Your Mark Youth Parliament Vote. The UK Youth Parliament House of Commons sitting takes place on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017 and will be televised and broadcast live.

Reigate School children together with other children across the UK have voted for topics that members of the UK Youth Parliament will debate and vote on to be their campaign for the year ahead. More information can be found below:

<http://www.ukyouthparliament.org.uk/makeyourmark/>



## NEWS AND EVENTS

### REIGATE AND BANSTEAD'S YOUNG SPORTS PERSON OF THE YEAR

Amber, pictured below with coach Lisa, has been awarded Young Sports Person of the Year by Reigate and Banstead's Sports Awards.

Earlier this year she represented Great Britain at the World Association of Kickboxing Organisation's Junior European Championships.

What an achievement – well done Amber!



## SPORTS NEWS

### NETBALL

This week the Year 7 girls' netball team played against Dunottar School and came out with an amazing 11–1 win.

Well done to captain Harriet and goal scorers Luci and Faye.



## NEWS AND EVENTS

### GCSE PARENT REVISION WORKSHOP

We are running a GCSE Parent Revision Workshop this Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 6.30pm until 8.30pm in the main hall. At this event you will have an opportunity to receive general guidance as to how best support your child with revision across all subjects as well as specific input from the English and Maths departments. We would recommend bringing your child to this event although it is primarily aimed at parents.

If you haven't already confirmed your attendance please email [info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk) by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October and state how many members of your family plan to attend.

For any Year 10 parents unable to attend, we are planning to run this event again around the same time next year so you may wish to attend that workshop.



## 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.barclayslifeskills.com](http://www.barclayslifeskills.com)



[www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk)



[www.allaboutschoollleavers.co.uk](http://www.allaboutschoollleavers.co.uk)



[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)



[www.icould.com](http://www.icould.com)

# PARENTAL PORTAL - SLG

## What is the Parental Portal (SIMS Learning Gateway)?

SIMS Learning Gateway (SLG) is a system that allows parents/carers to have access to information that we keep about their children.

## What information can I access?

Currently SLG allows you to see information about your child's attendance, assessments, conduct log, which includes achievement and behaviour management, as well as their timetable. SLG uses real-time data, so the information is always current. Reigate School takes electronic registers in morning registration and in all five lessons.

## Can I see whether my child has arrived in school?

Our tutors finish their morning registers by 9:05am. You will be able to log in to SLG at 9:05am to see whether your child has been marked as present. However, there are several reasons why the register may be late going into the SIMS system (for example, a tutor may not be in school so the register may initially be done on paper by a cover supervisor). If you notice that your child is not registered, please wait and check after 9.30am before contacting the school.

## What if I spot inaccuracies in the information?

Data integrity is important to us. While we endeavour to make sure that all of our data is accurate, we realise that mistakes are possible.

## Who gets access to this information?

We launched SLG for all children, parents and carers in 2016. We sent out usernames and passwords to all parents and carers who we have registered as the primary point of contact for each child. If you are not the primary contact, or have not received your username, please email [slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk).

## What to do if you forget your username or password

In the first instance email [slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk) if further assistance is required contact our SLG Helpdesk on 01737 229568.

## Parental Portal (SIMS Learning Gateway) - Quick Start Guide

The SLG is accessed using a web browser and by entering the details that have been provided to you by the school. The account will give you access to information relating to any children that you have at Reigate School.

The address for the Reigate School SLG is <https://portal.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/slq/>

## Finding Information on the SLG

Once logged in you should click on the **Parents/Carers** tab at the top of the page. You will then see the home page of the SLG Parent Site containing current SLG notices. On the left hand side of the screen are several sections that will be of interest:

**My Account Page** – it is advised that you visit this page the first time you log in and change your password to something more memorable. If you forget your password you will need to contact [slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:slghelpdesk@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk) to request it to be reset.

**My Children Dashboard** – here you will find the main information about your child or children. In the main part of the page you will see headline information including attendance.

At the bottom of the page under **My Children Links** you will find three sections:

**Student Dashboard** – here you will find information regarding behaviour, achievements and timetable.

**View Reports** – this is where progress reports can be found. Click on the arrow next to the current academic year and a list of available reports will be displayed. Please note you will be unable to view reports when using a smartphone or iPhone as the mobile view doesn't support this.

**Data Collection Sheet** – Use this section of the SLG to check and update the information that we hold, including home address and home/mobile/work telephone numbers and email addresses. Changes are then submitted electronically and there is no need to telephone the school to advise us of those changes.