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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Our Head Boy and Girl, Ben and China, organised a Year 11 prefects' dinner this week which was a huge success.

The interviews for the new Head Girl and Deputies were completed this week. All who applied did incredibly well in their addresses in assembly and at interview. It was a very tough decision. Congratulations to Etienne Baker who was appointed Head Girl and to her deputies Holly Goodbourn and Fahmina Khan. The interviews for the Head Boy and Deputies will take place next week.

The second round of Reigate College interviews went well on Monday. Good luck to those with interviews at East Surrey College next Monday.

The choir have been rehearsing for our Christmas Concert which will take place at the Baptist Church on Friday 8th December. Everyone is welcome. Places can be reserved by collecting tickets from the Finance department and £3 per person will be collected on the door on the night. All proceeds will go to charity.

I hope the children enjoy their extended weekend.

Mr Alexander

SPOTLIGHT

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Year 7	Jay Mephram for his kindness and helpfulness at the Form Film Night.
Year 8	Jonny Long for a really positive start at Reigate School.
Year 9	Ethan Monk and Joseph England for playing in and coaching a recent rugby tournament.
Year 10	Etienne Baker, Katie Branson-Chant, Holly Goodbourn, Fahmina Khan and Sharon Pepple for their tremendous efforts during the application process for the new Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl appointments.
Year 11	Christopher Minns for an exemplary attitude to his work and attending after school sessions which has resulted in a huge improvement.

THIS WEEK'S COMMENDATION AWARDS

Year 7	7CHN
Year 8	8PWR
Year 9	9JKA
Year 10	10MBR
Year 11	11SJO

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 7	7DKI, 7MHY, 7MHI, 7TMA	100%
Year 8	8PWR	99.6%
Year 9	9MKI	98%
Year 10	10LRD	97.3%
Year 11	11WMO	96.4%

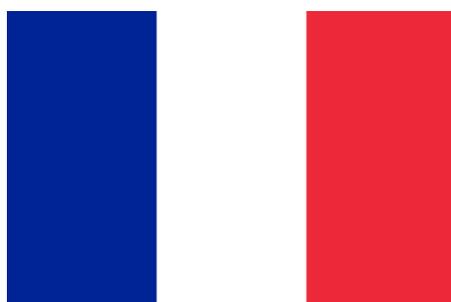
Whole School Attendance 94.3%

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 4 th December	East Surrey College Interviews
Tuesday 5 th December	10JHU Form trip to Nando's, Crawley.
Wednesday 6 th December	Introduction to University trip at University of Surrey. Drama and PE Gifted and Talented trip to Reigate College.
Thursday 7 th December	Y10 Art trip to Tate Britain, London.
Friday 8 th December	Christmas Concert at the Baptist Church.

Every Wednesday after school our loyal members attend the French Culture Club. This club has enabled the children to experience a *petit peu* of French culture in a relaxed and informal setting.

Our members take part in activities such as cooking, watching French films and even making Christmas cards. Cooking sessions are very popular and the children always impress us with their creations; needless-to-say, we have all enjoyed tasting an array of French delicacies.



FRENCH CULTURE CLUB



We have also watched a variety of popular films including: *La Haut* (Up), *Mr Bean's Holiday*, *Narnia*, *Rio* and *Les Choristes*. We have planned many more fun and cultural activities for the coming months, so watch this space!

We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Whitehead and the Food Technology Department for assisting us each week with the cookery classes and for letting us use their classroom.

If you are interested in coming along, the French Culture Club runs each Wednesday from 3.15 to 4.15pm. Please see Miss Lane or Miss Salton for more information.

Miss Lane and Miss Salton
Teachers of French and Spanish

QUESTION TIME



On 21st November, 12 Year 9 children made their way to Reigate Town Hall in order to support Local Democracy Week and take part in Question Time for local schools. Hosted by BBC newsreader and journalist Nicholas Owen, the morning was filled with debate on a variety of topics, including Brexit, university degrees versus apprenticeships and mental health in the young.

Six children were selected to put their questions to a panel of local representatives, including two members of the Reigate and Banstead Youth Council. They represented Reigate School flawlessly and were even complimented by Nicholas Owen after the debate. The children were then given an opportunity to vote for their favourite panel member, as well as mingle with councillors and the Mayor in the Chambers of the Town Hall. Well done to all the students involved; they did us proud!

Miss Keohane

A LINHA CURVA

On Wednesday 22nd November a group of Year 11s studying GCSE Dance, accompanied by Miss Swift and Mr Mohan, went to London's Sadler's Wells Theatre to see the Rambert Ballet and Contemporary Dance Company perform three of their works; one of which was *A Linha Curva* which we are studying for our GCSE course.



It was amazing to see it performed live and gave us a real insight into the dance. We attended a talk with the Artistic Director, Mark Baldwin, before the performance about the work and about becoming a professional dancer. This was very interesting and helped to expand our ideas about *A Linha Curva* which will benefit us in our exams and our future as dancers.

Thank you so much to Miss Swift for planning the trip and taking us. It was a brilliant experience.

Reported by Odette Slape 11GFO

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 13 December 2017



**Roast British Turkey with Chef's Stuffing,
Cocktail Sausage, & Gravy**

or

**Golden Glazed Carrot & Mushroom Tart with
Cream Cheese & Tarragon (V)**

accompanied by

Crispy Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables

followed by

Festive Trifle (V)

£2.30

Tickets are on sale in the canteen.

Payment can be made by cash or debited from your account.

Last day for ordering is Monday 11 December.

*Please note Christmas Dinner is the only option
available for 2nd break on this day*



YEAR 8 INTER TUTOR FOOTBALL 2017



On Tuesday 21st November nine forms (8JKE, 8PWR, 8CHA, 8SCA, 8AJU, 8ALU, 8BSD, 8JMA and 8SMI) competed in a football competition lasting from about 3:45pm to 5:00pm playing in two leagues; League 1 and League 2 each having four or five forms each. They played across four pitches in 5-side teams leaving two players off pitch who occasionally switched with an on pitch player. Each pitch had one or two referees.



The winner from each league played in the final and the 2nd place teams played in a runner up match. The overall winner was 8ALU, Mr Lumley's form. The boys who played in this team were: Aaron, Daniel, Dilan, Jack, Max and the two Olivers.

The final results were:

- 1st) ALU
- 2nd) JMA
- 3rd) JKE
- 4th) SCA
- 5th) PWR
- 6th) CHA
- 7th) SMI
- 8th) BSD
- 9th) AJU

Thanks to the staff for organising this event and making these matches possible. Also a big thanks to the people who were brave enough to put themselves forward to play for their form. Congratulations to 8ALU for winning and good job to those who participated.

Reported by: Rhys Morgan 8BSD
Photography by: Sam Sherwin 8BSD

ENGLAND VS SAMOA AT TWICKENHAM STADIUM

On Saturday 25th November we had the privilege of taking 28 students from all year groups to Twickenham to watch England vs Samoa as part of the *Old Mutual Wealth Series*.

We met at noon and got on the buses ready to make our way. The journey on its own was incredibly comical thanks to our new bus's technology. Spotify was linked up and Mysterious Girl was played at full volume with 16 burly rugby boys all singing along. Once we had arrived we watched the team warm up and tried to keep ourselves warm with numerous cups of tea and hot chocolates.



We started well with England scoring and managed to maintain the lead with the game finishing on 48-15. We witnessed some great rugby, in particular Elliot Daly scoring two tries; the second of which was a stunning solo effort from 55 metres.

We also stayed to watch the first 20 minutes of the women's game against Canada which was a great opportunity. The score was 21-0 on leaving so fingers crossed they won convincingly.

The journey home was a little quieter with tiredness starting to set in, especially amongst the younger year groups who had just experienced their first ever live rugby games.

It was a great day for all and an amazing experience to watch England be victorious at the atmospheric home of rugby.

Mrs Corder
PE Department



NOTICES



STUDENT SERVICES

'Tis the season of coughs and colds and we are getting through boxes and boxes of tissues at great expense to the school. Could we ask parents to ensure their children come in with their own supply wherever possible please. Bless you!

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



www.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



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.

What to do if you forget your username or password

In the first instance email 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 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.