

Reigate School

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2015

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

What a fantastic term we have had again including academic success, a multitude of trips and visits, sporting success, fabulous performances and the girls' rugby team playing at Twickenham and meeting Prince Harry.

On top of all of the wonderful things the students have accomplished this term, the excellence of the staff has also been recognised by the Reigate School being designated as a Teaching School and National Support School.

Reigate has become the first town in the UK to have five schools (and one college) selected to become National Teaching Schools on the same day. The Department for Education has acknowledged that this is a unique achievement, especially as the six Heads will be working as partners in a new alliance.

The role of Teaching Schools is to raise standards through supporting other schools, engage in research and development, and ensure that the most talented school leaders are spotted and supported to become successful headteachers. Only "outstanding" schools and colleges are eligible to become Teaching Schools.

The five schools are Dovers Green Infants School, Holmesdale Community Infants School, Reigate Priory School, Reigate Valley College and Reigate School. Reigate Sixth Form College is the sixth member of the alliance.

I am extremely proud of all the students and staff.

Happy Easter to all.

Mrs Wardlow
Headteacher



SCHOOL TERM DATES

Summer Term

13th April 2015 - 21st July 2015 (half term 25th - 29th May 2015)

Autumn Term

2nd September 2015 – 17th December 2015 – half term 26th – 30th October 2015

INSET days for academic year 2014-2015

Friday 26th June

INSET days for academic year 2015-2016

Thursday 1st October, Friday 2nd October, Friday 12th February, Friday 24th June

GIRLS RUGBY TEAM AT TWICKENHAM

On Saturday 21st March, 15 year 7 and 8 girls travelled to Twickenham Stadium to perform the Guard of Honour at the beginning of the 6 Nations game between England and France.

Not only did they line up in front of 82,000 spectators and the world's media, they also had the opportunity to play against another team on the pitch where they scored numerous tries against The Quest Academy.



Despite all this the highlight was yet to come. A very friendly and chatty Prince Harry walked onto the pitch. Being an All School's Rugby Patron, Prince Harry asked to meet Mrs Corder and one student to discuss how rugby had grown within the school. Jessica Witty was chosen to represent the team and Prince Harry gave her some advice on wearing white rugby boots rather than her brightly coloured ones. His theory was that it would be harder for the referee to see if her foot was on the line in a match. He also came to have a photo with the team and complemented the girls on their pink socks; the girls were simply blown away.



Ellie Weaver asked him to sign her cast. Unfortunately the Prince was not allowed to but was impressed that Ellie had carried a pen around with her all day just to get his signature.

Once The Prince had finished with the photos, the girls made their way back to the changing rooms to get ready for their important duties.



In their brightly coloured shirts and socks, it was hard to miss the girls lined up in front of the England Team who were blaring out the National Anthem. The girls were professional from beginning to end and we were all very proud to have them representing the school.



When the girls walked back into the changing rooms after their duties they were able to sit and enjoy the thrilling game from the second row in front of the try line, and what a game it was.

Although England didn't manage to win the 6 nations, this day will definitely go down in history for Reigate School and in the memories of the staff and students that experienced it.

Miss K Corder
PE Department

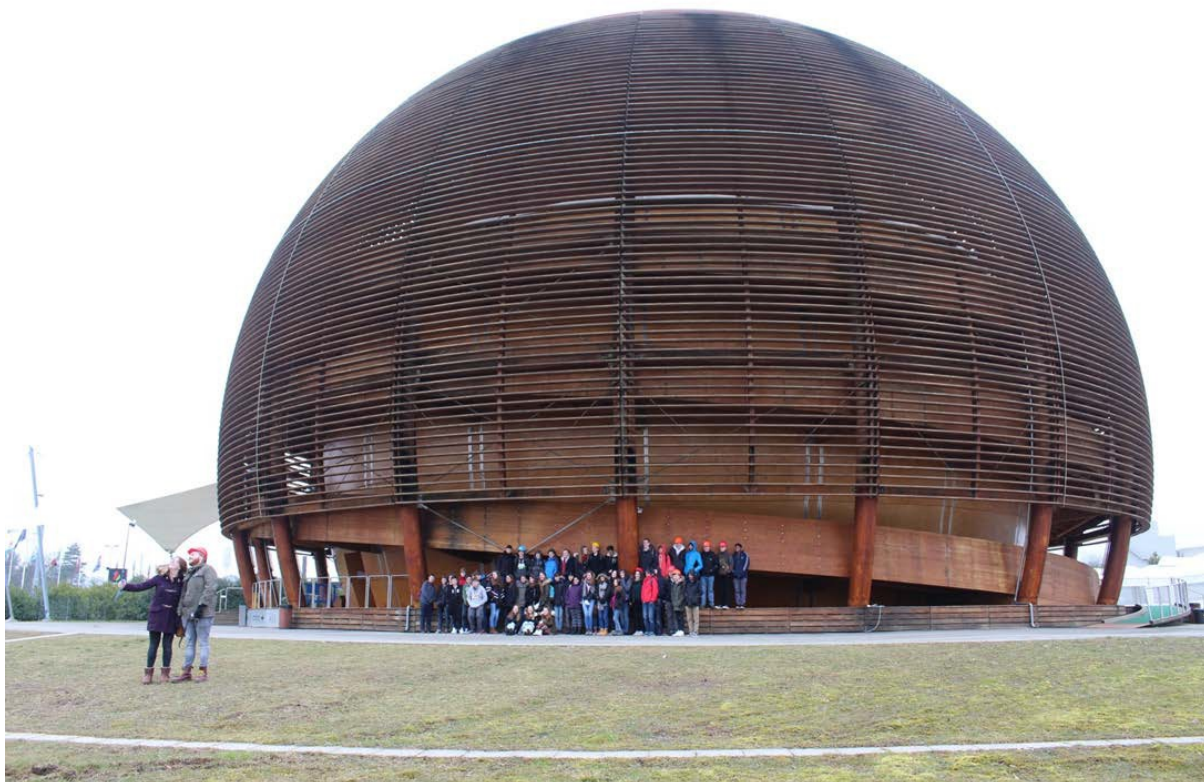


CERN VISIT 2015



On Tuesday 17th February a group of 54 students and 7 science teachers gathered at Gatwick North terminal ahead of their flight to Geneva to visit CERN and the United Nations Headquarter buildings. Arriving in Switzerland the weather was cold and misty as we headed by bus straight to the visitor centre at the CERN headquarters buildings. Here we were given a short introductory talk about the scale of the operations before the groups were taken on a guided tour of the main site. Later the same day we were all checked into a local hotel with its adjacent shopping mall, and of course the local McDonalds.





The following day, with the weather still cold and misty, we made full use of the excellent tram system and returned to see the Globe of Science and Innovation building with its unusual wooden design and a fascinating presentation called Universe of Particles. After lunch in the huge staff canteen (catering for hundreds of scientists and support staff) there was time for photographs before travelling into the centre of Geneva for the afternoon visit to the United Nations Headquarters. Here security was especially, but understandably thorough. The guided tour enabled us to see a number of the meeting rooms, including the main chamber which can seat over 2000 people. It was interesting to see the wide range of art works which have been donated by the various member countries of the UN, as well as the building itself. There was then time to walk along the shores of Lake Geneva and into the old town for an evening meal.



On the last day we headed for the Natural History museum and were able to study the excellent and varied displays. Finally the sun broke through and allowed us to see the famous water jet near the city centre and to catch a glimpse of the snow-topped mountains. Returning to our hotel to collect luggage, we made our way back to the airport for our return journey to Gatwick.

Thanks in particular go to Miss Staines and Miss McGuire for organising and leading the visit which we hope will be offered again in 2017.

Mr D Gilmore
Science Department

YEAR 11 INTERVIEWS IMPERIAL COLLEGE PhD STUDENTS



Year 11 Science students visited Easthampstead Park near Bracknell to work with and interview PhD students from Imperial College, London.

The University students gave presentations to the school students who were then encouraged to ask questions about the various projects. The morning concluded with a competition at which the 3 best presentations were judged and prizes awarded to the winning students.



Our year 11's had time to talk informally with them about their studies in Science and University life. Our thanks go to Dr Seldon for arranging the series of visits.

Mr Gilmore
Science Department

BIG BANG TRIP

On Friday 20th March, 15 year 7 Science Leaders went with Miss McGuire to The Observatory Science Centre in Herstmonceux, East Sussex for an educational trip. When we reached the Observatory at the peak time for the eclipse, there were lots of people there to watch it. Unfortunately the cloud was covering it so the only thing we experienced was sudden drop in temperature.



We started our itinerary by getting to explore a line of rooms all containing incredibly interesting things to represent the world of science. Having 30 minutes to look round the exhibits, we made the most of our time experimenting with them. Afterwards, we were taken on a telescope tour. We went into a dome which was covered in copper which had oxidised over time and had become green to match the greenery of the landscape. On the inside there was a massive telescope and the floor of the dome was moveable. If you used a controller you could lift the floor so that your eye was level with the eyepiece which was NOT ground level but several feet above. As our tour guide rotated the dome round we were allowed to lie on the floor to appreciate the full wonder of it.

After a lot of talk about the things in space and how the telescope worked we decided to move on into another dome with our tour leader. However, the telescope inside this dome was a different type, this telescope was a reflector, which means it works by bending light through a lens so that it forms an image. The telescope in the other dome was a refractor which focuses on the light and makes distant objects appear brighter, clearer and magnified.



We then went into a marquee full of awesome stuff made by universities nearby. There was a dancing robot that spoke and danced, a PlayStation game which made us see like a bee and many more exciting inventions.

After lunch we went into the Discovery Playground where there was, of course, the classic playground equipment like seesaws and the merry-go-rounds but they all had something to do with science! For example, there was a climbing frame - but it was in the shape of a DNA strand! How cool is THAT!! After 30 minutes of fun we went into a marquee that was full of reptiles such as snakes and tortoises there were also tarantulas and cockroaches. After holding a snake and having learned lots of facts about the animals, we left. Unfortunately for us, our day at The Observatory ended at 14.00 so we headed back into the minibus so that we would return to school at 15:00.

Reported by Fahmina Khan – 7JPR

EAST SURREY COLLEGE REPORT



On the 30th of January 2015 a group of year 10 students from Reigate School were taken to East Surrey College.

When we arrived at the college we were shocked by the immensity of the building and incredible, inspiring displays around us. After an explanation of some of the artwork, we were taken into one of the classrooms which are very different from the classrooms we are used to! They are light, bright and full of horses (the easel kind) rather than seats and the white walls were covered in studies and drawings. We were told about the courses available at the college and there is an extensive range of creative courses that can be chosen.

Our first task was to sketch the skeletons in front of us with the graphite sticks that were provided for us. Initially, we were only allowed to draw on the reverse of our hands which at first made it more challenging to sketch, but as we progressed through the drawing it became a lot easier. After we finished the first sketch, we were given black paint and a piece of card to paint a section of the skeleton which we dabbed onto the paper and built up the lines to create tone and shape. I was really interested in this new technique and I found it really entertaining.



After the few hours spent there we came away more confident in using a variety of tools to help with mark making and putting expression into our work. From a tentative beginning, working through the session with an inspiring tutor, I left feeling more assertive about drawing, forming a composition and wanting to further my abilities in art. I hope my fellow students felt the same.

Reported by Nina Parsons – 10PWR

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE



Once again Reigate School hosted the annual University Science Challenge for our local area with the STEM Ambassadors being the Quiz Masters. Four schools, The Priory, Oxsted, The Beacon and ourselves, each having two teams competed in this heat to get to the finals held at Reading University. We had strong teams consisting of 8 of our Year 9 Science Leaders who competed fiercely. One of the teams came in a very close 2nd with one of the highest scores seen this year and as a result they were invited to compete in the finals on the 26th of March. Let's hope we win!!!!

Miss A McGuire
Science Department

SCHOOL COUNCIL



The School council formally met on Thursday 12th March. A team of students met on a previous occasion in order to create the agenda for the meeting. John Bridger, who attended the meeting on behalf of the Governing Body, complimented the students on their debating skills.



Many issues were discussed at the meeting which included the quality of the food at the Pit Stop and the cleanliness of the toilet facilities. However, the most important outcome of the meeting was a discussion on how to make students more proud about being a representative of Reigate School. The Council would like to form a team of litter pickers to clean up the front of the school so the community could see how proud the students are of being members of the local area as well as their school.

Another item discussed was about supporting the recent initiative of students' equipment in school. The Council would like a base within school where they may purchase pens, pencils and other basic equipment. One of the representatives has offered to talk to the school's Resource Manager to ask if the base could be within the library area.

Next meeting Thursday 7th May 2015.

Mr T Rai
Associate Assistant Headteacher

FEBRUARY DANCE SHOWCASE 2015



Earlier this year, as you can guess, the annual February Dance Showcase took place - a distinct and valued occasion in Reigate School to show how highly achieving the students of Reigate school have been in class and also in extra-curricular clubs outside of school. Students get to show off their dance routines in an effort to show how amazing a school, and they, can be. This was all concocted and performed on the stage in the hall on Monday 9th February.

There was a wide span of students that partook in the proceedings, ranging from year 7-11 and even though there was a wide range of ages, they all worked together to keep quiet and practice when they had their turn to. Talking about a wide span of ages, there was also a massive range of dance styles and routines involved, including; Capoeira, Street dances based on professional works such as Swansong and Carman, GCSE set dances, year 11 choreography and finally Bollywood.

Personally, as a performer in this showcase, I personally think the whole ingenuity of the showcase and how it came together so successfully, even though a few mishaps, just tips every other positive aspect, because of how fluent it became.

If you're wondering, students can get involved with this Showcase in many different ways such as joining the Vivacious Dance Club (Wednesday lunchtimes for years 7-9) or getting involved with Velocity (Monday, Week 2 3:15pm-4:30pm for years 10 and 11). Finally you can get involved by getting the highest marks on an assessment in Dance lessons. Thank you for reading. I hope you come along to watch your child be involved in something as exciting as the February Dance Showcase.

I loved it because it was really fun for everyone who took part and we got to show off what amazing talents they had worked for – Chris Seldon 9RJO

I really enjoyed the February Dance Showcase. The reason I enjoyed it so much is because everyone who had a part took part. Also there was such a range of dances and what's more everyone put effort in and had a smile on their face! Harry Ross – 9RJO

Reported by Joe Parratt - 9RJO



REIGATE SCHOOL ATTENDS MOVE IT 2015



GCSE Dance students were invited to attend *Move It*, a Dance convention held in Olympia, London on 14th February 2015. As always, it was an amazing day with a huge variety of dance classes to attend. There was a great selection of performances occurring throughout the day, loads of celebrities to have pictures taken with and loads of dance colleges to spark interest!

Particular highlights included meeting and being taught by *Twist & Pulse* (from Britain's Got Talent), chatting to *Flawless* (also from Britain's Got Talent), listening in on interviews and watching performances from *Aljaz* (from Strictly Come Dancing), getting free goodies from the merchandise stalls and of course taking part in loads of dancing!



The students all took part in classes of their choosing which included Hip-Hop, Cheerleading, Oriental Fusion, Lindyhop, Burlesque-Workout and Contemporary to name but a few.

The students were brilliant the whole time, being polite to all they met and working hard in their classes. They all came away buzzing with excitement and with a renewed love of Dance.

This trip will continue to be offered each year for GCSE Dance students so keep an eye out for next time!

Miss I Vasey
Dance

BRONZE ARTS AWARD SUCCESS



As part of their Performing Arts independent study, Reigate School students take part in various projects over their time in years 7 – 9. These include creating a project about their Arts Hero, sharing an Arts skill with another person, being an audience member at an Arts event and participating in an Arts activity. The independent study provides the students with time to evidence all of these things, many of which are naturally built into the Dance, Drama and Music curriculum anyway.



After careful consideration the Performing Arts staff selected 26 students who had produced outstanding independent study in both years 7 and 8. These students had their work entered for Bronze Arts Award and we are proud to announce a 100% pass rate for all those entered. This award is equivalent to a low GCSE and we are extremely proud that Reigate School have students who created such high-ability work at such a young age.

If your child is in years 7 or 8 and are hoping to enter for Arts Award they must produce outstanding independent study in both years. Please ask your child to speak to a member of the Performing Arts department for more information.

Miss I Vasey
Arts Award Adviser and Teacher of Dance

VOICE IN A MILLION



On the 11th March 2015, Miss Eacott took the choir to SSE Stadium, Wembley to participate in Voices in a Million. It was amazing! Being part of such a massive choir was surreal. We had the opportunity to watch the fantastic Bars and Melody and Alesha Dixon.

Voices in a Million organise the show to raise funds for an adoption programme finding children of all ages homes. As a mass choir we sang with Alesha Dixon the song 'Children United' this version is now available to download from iTunes (this is not a paid advertisement). Overall the day was amazing and we used so much energy in rehearsing and performing that we all struggled to wake up the next day (including Miss Eacott!).

Reported by Charlotte Durham 10SRA

YEAR 10 CATERING GROUP COOK FOR THE GOVERNORS AND YEAR TUTORS



On Wednesday 25th March a group of Year 10 catering students prepared, cooked and served a formal 3 course meal for School Governors and Form Tutors.

It was a great success and the students did a tremendous job. Clean plates were sent back to the kitchen and some lovely comments made about the quality and taste of the food, the students' lovely smiles and friendly approach.

The photos above show the students involved with the evening, but there were more students who helped to prepare during the day. Well done to all involved.

CAREERS NEWS

Our students have the opportunity to explore and investigate many careers and choices for when they leave school.

Recently a group of year 10 students were invited to Reigate School of Art to attend a drawing workshop. This gave them an insight into what it would be like to study all the different aspects of the Creative Arts.



The year 11 Hospitality and Catering students were invited to Central Sussex College to have a delicious lunch cooked by and served by the college students. They were then able to have a look around the kitchens and see some of the amazing cakes and pastries being prepared.

A speaker from NHS 111 came into school to offer students who are interested in a career within the health care profession information and guidance on all the options open to them.

Students from different year groups have visited The University of Surrey to have a taste of what it would be like to continue their education in a university. They were shown around the campus and met some student ambassadors who inspired the students with their enthusiasm for university life.

Many students have had the opportunity to visit Careers Fairs where they have been able to talk to people from different colleges and further education establishments. This has opened their eyes to the wide variety of courses and options available to them.

Coming up, we have a trip arranged to East Surrey College for any students interested to have a look around the Spa and the Health and Beauty department. We also have arranged for a visitor from the National Crime Agency to come and talk to any students who are interested in law enforcement and the huge variety of Jobs that this includes.



There are some very useful websites which have plenty of information regarding further education, apprenticeships and career choices plus interview techniques and other tips.

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www.icould.com



www.allaboutschooleavers.co.uk

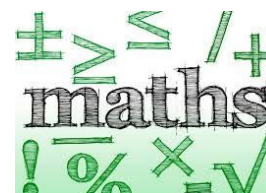


www.u-explore.com

(all the students have a login)



CAREERS SPEED DATING



Year 10 students who have an interest in a career in science, technology, engineering or maths attended a Careers Event at The Warwick School.

There were twenty five visitors from various companies who had kindly taken the time to speak to these students about their specialist fields. In small groups the students had eight minutes to talk to each guest before moving on to the next one.

There were visitors from McLaren F1, BT and The Institute of Biology among many others. Speaking to these interesting guests and being able to ask many questions made it an inspirational experience for them.

Mrs A Grew
Careers Officer

NEWS FROM AN EX STUDENT

Matthew Johnson attended Reigate School, then named Woodhatch Secondary School, in 1995. He went on to Reigate College and then took up a course in Biological Sciences at Birmingham University.

Three years later he was awarded an 'Honouree degree in Genetics' before sitting a Master's degree in Micro Biological Sciences at Birmingham University. With high results this put him in good stead for a scholarship to do his PhD in the exploration into E.coli.



Over the last four years his work in this field has lead him to give talks around the country, in Europe and America. He is an author of a number of science papers, written or co-written, on his discoveries into the bio-science world in the development of medicines. His latest written work comprising of an impressive 56,000 word hard back book for his thesis now gives him the worthy titles BOs, MOs and PhD.

Matt is now in Australia working on stem cell and crystal research into drugs and medicines used to combat or cure cancer and other illnesses.

Matt wanted to express his thanks to the teaching staff for their help and encouragement to get him to where he is today. He is still in education to do his 'Post Docs' so in a few years' time his title may be 'Prof Matthew Johnson' or just 'Dr Matt' for short.

Mr D P Johnson
Matthew's Father

YEAR 7 BAKE OFF



On Thursday 12th March the year 7 students got their aprons on and began baking for The Royal Hospital for neuro disability. There was both a competition and a bake sale during the day. In the morning, everyone who baked cakes put them in their form rooms to be judged by the form tutors. The cakes, if they were entered for decoration, must have been 'marathon themed'. The form tutors tasted and judged the cakes to decide on one cake for taste and one for decoration, these would then be put forward to be judged out of the whole year group.

Other cakes were sold to raise money for the charity. At lunch break, everyone gathered in Gym 1 and those whose cakes were entered in the competition placed their cakes on the table in the middle of the gym for the teachers to give their opinions and decide who the winners were.

Everyone else crowded around tables form by form to sell their cakes to the rest of the school. 'One pound, fifty pence only!' people were shouting, trying to catch the buyer's attention. Buzzing with excitement, everyone was rushing around, admiring everyone's creations. The sight of them all was amazing! Prices were lowering as time was running out. '20p for all cakes!' people were calling, hoping to grab the last pennies from the school. There were nearly no cakes left by the end of it! Everyone bought and sold as many cakes as they could and we managed to raise £220. The winners were: for presentation Emily Harkin (7JPR) and Hollie-Mae Boittiaux (7CLA); and for taste Jessica Salmon (7EST) and Kayley Tulk (7CLA).

Reported by Abigail Butler – 7IBN

VISIT TO THE CHILDREN'S TRUST IN TADWORTH

Five students who are part of the Charity Committee at Reigate School visited the Children's Trust in Tadworth on 25th March. The school has supported the Trust on a number of occasions and although it is a national charity, it is on our doorstep. Karen Phillips, Community Fundraising Manager, gave us an extensive tour of the site. The trust specialises in looking after and rehabilitating children who have been brain damaged, very often through car or bicycle accidents.



The centre can cater for 80 children on a residential basis, but has 49 full time children at present with many more visiting daily for therapy. There is also a school on site. The students were fascinated by the fact that between £70,000 and £80,000 is raised from the boxes that we see in shops and garages. So every penny does actually count! We are hoping to support the Trust again in September with a number of events including the Reigate Half Marathon.

Mrs W Farnfield
Bursar

BISCUIT BAKING

This half term some year 7 students have been busy baking biscuits at a food club run on a Thursday night. They have made lemon or vanilla biscuits, oaty biscuits and last week the room was full of the delicious smell of cheesy biscuits! Each week a prize has been given to a 'star baker' and winners to date our Danielle Pearse 7IBN, Emma Ricketts and Euan Bell both in 7MBR.

On the 26th March the students will be baking their favourite biscuit and there will be prizes awarded. I will announce the winners in next term's newsletter. Next term this club will be run for students in year 8.

Mrs F Barker-Field
Food Technology



SANDMAN SIGNATURE HOTEL HEAD CHEF VISIT

For the year 11 controlled assessment we had a visit by the Head Chef from the Sandman Signature Hotel. He demonstrated to the students a variety of ways to garnish and decorate their dishes for the practical they would be carrying out.

This included using specialist equipment for preparing vegetables and using piping bags for chocolate work.

Many of the students used examples of what they had been shown in the presentation of their dishes and several students commented on how helpful the visit had been.

Mrs. J. Whitehead
Food Technology

BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION FASION SHOW



During Valentines week the Art and Textiles department arranged a fashion show to raise money for the British Heart Foundation.

The pieces featured in the show had been made across all year groups. We hope you all enjoyed watching the show in your assemblies and we are grateful to all those students and staff that brought in clothes to donate to the charity.



It was great to see everybody involved and coming together to organise the show. We would like to take the opportunity to thank the presenters Ben Lacey and Kiera Nixon for introducing the show, Paul Reilly for coordinating the lighting, all the backstage dressers and lastly our models - we couldn't have done it without you. Look out for the slide show of photographs on the front screen at reception.



Miss S Hartnett
Art Department

COMIC RELIEF 2015



This year's Comic Relief was a great success. Staff and students were encouraged to dress up as their favourite characters, wear something red or Comic Relief merchandise in return for £1. As you can see the staff fully entered into this with the two princesses from Frozen causing quite a stir. Princess Anna also sang a few bars of "For the first time and forever" in the lunch hall so we were fully entertained.

Throughout the week the Head and Deputy Head boys and girls delivered assemblies about a young African girl whose parents had died and who, with the help of Comic Relief funding, was able to go to school while her siblings were being looked after. They did an outstanding job!

In total the school collected £1400 and as this year the government is match funding schools' efforts, our contribution is £2,800. Well done to everyone who took part and entered into the spirit of the event.

Mrs W Farnfield
Bursar

REIGATE SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

Below are some of the charities we have supported this year with a lot of hard work from you and the children. Thank you.



The Royal Hospital for neuro disability
Comic Relief
TOTAL

1350.00 and still rising
1381.30
£2731.30

We are also raising funds for The Royal Hospital for neuro disability through participation in The Reigate Rampage on Saturday 28th March and on 26th April Mr Thompson and Mrs Corder will be running in the London Marathon. If you are interested in donating money to support this cause there is a Virgin Just Giving page <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/ReigateSchool8> for Reigate School. Currently there has been over £1k pledged.

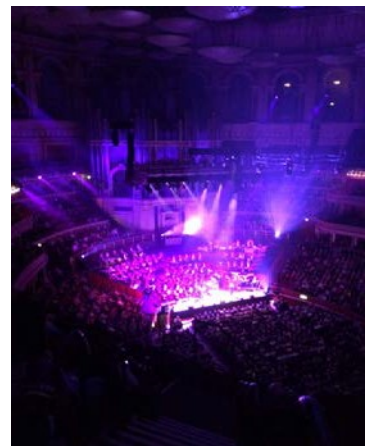
YOUNG LEADERS



On Thursday 19th March our Young Leaders ran the Sportshall Athletics Finals at the Surrey Sports Park . They organised, recorded and calculated scores for various indoor events for students from 11 different schools in Surrey. This is the second event that they have run and are proving to be excellent leaders. Well done!

Mrs S Jones
PE Department

BEST OF BROADWAY



On Wednesday 18th March we took students to the Royal Albert Hall.

The students had a great time dancing to songs from Mamma Mia, crying to the beautiful music of Phantom of the Opera and Les Miserable and laughing to the sounds of Chicago and West Side Story. All this set in the beautiful Royal Albert Hall. It was a brilliant trip and they can't wait for the next one, 'Symphonic Rock'.

Mr Mohanaraj
Music Department

YEAR 7 FOOTBALL SEASON REVIEW 2014-2015

It was our first game for Reigate School. It was against Warwick and it ended up 4-4. We were just settling in to Reigate School and learning how each other play so it wasn't going to be our best performance.

Then we came up against de Stafford who we ended up annihilating 8-1 after Ben Burrows scored 2, Chris Gray 1, Finley Lenihan 1, Oli Shaw 1 and Dru Tunstall 3. That then started a winning streak after beating Oakwood 3-1, Beacon 3-1 and then St Bedes 7-1 but we unfortunately lost to R.A.A.S 1-0. We met our match against Oxted School after drawing with them 3-3. The match had to get stopped due to Oxted's language and behaviour! One of our players got sent to A&E after the Match.

At the end of the season we played the year 8 B/A team and beat them 6-2. So overall we had an amazing season and are going to thrive next year! William King led and controlled the squad as an outstanding Captain. We would like to make a special mention to our main manager Mr S-D for guiding us so brilliantly, and Mr Davis.



Bench
Oli.J
Oli.S
Lucas.E
Felix.T

Reported by Dru and Will
Year 7 football

FOOTBALL RESULTS

Year 7

Mon 22 nd Sept	Yr 7 v Warwick (a)	D4-4
Tues 21 st Oct	Yr 7 v De Stafford (h)	W8-0
Weds 12 Nov	Yr 7 v Oakwood (h)	W3-0
Thurs 27 th Nov	Yr 7 v Beacon (h)	W1-0
Mon 8 th Dec	Yr 7 5-a-side – Oakwood (a)	3 rd in group
Wed 10 th Dec	Yr 7 v Oxted (h)	D3-3
Mon 12 th Jan	Yr 7 7-a-side – Warlingham (a)	runners up
Tues 13 th Jan	Yr 7 v St Bede's (h)	W7-1
Weds 4 th Mar	Yr 7 v Oxted (Cup) (a)	L3-2
Mon 9 th Mar	Yr 7 v RAAS (h)	L1-0

Year 8

Weds 17 th Sept	Yr 8 v Warwick (h)	W4-3
Tues 23 rd Sept	Yr 8 v St Cecilia's (County Cup) (h)	W4-1
Weds 22 nd Oct	Yr 8 v De Stafford (h)	W8-0
Tues 11 th Nov	Yr 8 v Oakwood (a)	W4-1
Mon 1 st Dec	Yr 8 5-a-side v Oakwood (a)	Group Stages
Thurs 11 th Dec	Yr 8 v Beacon (h)	W8-1
Mon 15 th Dec	Yr 8 v Oakwood (Cup) (h)	L4-3
Weds 14 th Jan	Yr 8 v St Bede's (h)	W7-2
Mon 19 th Jan	Yr 8 7-a-side – Warlingham (a)	3 rd Place
Tues 24 th Feb	Yr 8 v RAAS – (a)	W2-0
Tues 3 rd Mar	Yr 8 v Warlingham (h)	D0-0

Year 9

Mon 15 th Sept	Yr 9 v Warwick (a)	W3-2
Thurs 25 th Sept	Yr 9 v St Peter's County Cup (h)	W5-1
Thurs 23 rd Oct	Yr 9 v De Stafford (h)	W9-0
Tues 11 th Nov	Yr 9 v Oakwood (h)	Postponed
Mon 25 th Nov	Yr 9 5-a-side - Oakwood (a)	3 rd Place
Tues 2 nd Dec	Yr 9 v Claremont County Cup (a)	W3-2 on pens
Thurs 15 th Jan	Yr 9 v St Bede's (h)	W4-1
Mon 26 th Jan	Yr 9 7-a-side – Warlingham (a)	2 nd Place
Weds 25 th Feb	Yr 9 v RAAS (h)	W7-0
Tues 3 rd Mar	Yr 9 v Warlingham (a)	L1-0
Weds 4 th Mar	Yr 9 v Oasis Shirley Park County Cup (a)	L4-3 on pens
Mon 16 th Mar	Yr 9 v Beacon (a)	L3-0

Year 10

Mon 22 nd Sept	Yr 10 v Warwick (h)	L4-1
Thurs 6 th Nov	Yr 10 v De Stafford (h) (Cup & League)	W1-0
Thurs 13 th Nov	Yr 10 v Oakwood (& Cup) (h)	W2-1
Mon 17 th Nov	Yr 10 5-a-side – Oakwood (a)	3 rd Place
Weds 21 st Jan	Yr 10 v St Bede's (h)	W2-0
Mon 2 nd Feb	Yr 10 7-a-side – Warlingham (a)	DNA
Tues 10 th Feb	Yr 10 v Beacon (h)	L3-2
Weds 25 th Feb	Yr 10 v RAAS (a)	L2-1
Tues 24 th Mar	Yr 10 v Warlingham (h)	W3-0

Year 11

Thurs 18 th Sept	Yr 11 v Warwick (a)	W3-2
Tues 4 th Nov	Yr 11 v De Stafford (h)	Postponed
Mon 10 th Nov	Yr 11 5-a-side – Oakwood (a)	Group Stages
Thurs 13 th Nov	Yr 11 v Oakwood (a)	Postponed
Tues 20 th Jan	Yr 11 v St Bede's (h)	D2-2
Mon 9 th Feb	Yr 11 7-a-side – Warlingham (a)	5 th place
Thurs 26 th Feb	Yr 11 v RAAS (League & Cup) (a)	L4-3
Tues 24 th Mar	Yr 11 v Warlingham (a)	L5-3

MOBILE PHONES AND INTERNET SAFETY

During the last term there have been a number of incidents involving the use of smart phones and the internet. The school has addressed these issues during assemblies and in appropriate parts of the curriculum and will continue to do so. However as their parent or guardian there are three main recurring issues that you need to be aware of so you can guide your child. Although children may know more than parents about the technology, they do not have the same experience of life!



The sending by students of inappropriate photographs to other students.

There have been a number of incidents involving children at this and other local schools. This involves children taking or allowing inappropriate photographs of themselves at home or at parties. These photographs are then distributed immediately via various platforms over the internet. This often comes to the notice of school when the child becomes upset after being taunted at school or the Police have become involved.

1. It is a criminal offence to send or possess an indecent image of a child. The law's interpretation of what is 'indecent' is very wide. It can mean a photograph of a naked child (0-17yrs) or part of their body.
2. These offences can be committed by anyone from 10 years of age. This is the age of criminal responsibility for all crimes.
3. Once a photograph or comment is shared on the internet it is there forever. This can clearly cause future embarrassment and distress. For example, it is increasingly the case that employers search the internet when you apply for a job to check your suitability.

Talking to strangers on the internet (grooming)

Although this does not often come to the notice of the school, there are occasions when the Police contact us re their investigations. There was also a high profile tragedy involving a student at another local school, so again you need to be aware. Three tips are as follows.

1. Please ensure you have a conversation with your child to make sure they are aware of the privacy settings/safety measures on their websites to exclude strangers.
2. Discuss the fact that some people may be lying about their age/appearance and identity.
3. It's important they know that if they think they have made a mistake such as sending someone who requested it an inappropriate photograph they can talk to you. Often children are blackmailed or scared their parents will be angry.

Useful websites for advice

These websites offer advice on these subjects and many others including guides for parents.

www.ceop.police.uk (There is a link for this site on the school home page)
www.childline.org.uk
www.saferinternet.org.uk

YEAR 8 UNIVERSITY OF SURREY TRIP

20TH – 25TH APRIL 2015

Be a University Student for a week!

The chance to experience what it is like to attend one of Britain's larger campus-type universities was offered to some Year 8 students during this week. Organised and run by the University of Surrey's 'widening participation and outreach' programme, the students attended each day, experiencing subjects as varied as law, chemistry, drama, creative writing, maths/logistics and team-work, engineering, nutrition and sports.

They were also taught different learning methodologies and practices, for example how to memorise all the countries of the European Union and all the elements of the periodic table in 90 seconds, which they managed to do!

During this time they worked closely with the University's Student Ambassadors and subject experts. The climax of the week was a Graduation Ceremony, where the students wore full robes and graduated in front of a large audience including parents and carers.

Every student enjoyed the experience, and many now have a clearer idea of what going to university entails. Some of the student comments are attached:

"I enjoyed the week because we had activities and lessons very different to the normal curriculum such as Law and Psychology"

"I enjoyed finding out about possible careers I could do."

"The trip did boost my confidence and make me want to consider going to University."

"My favourite part was Engineering, because we got to experience a subject we don't often see in school."

"The building houses and working model of the crane was fun and unusual."

"The student ambassadors were very nice and helpful."

"I enjoyed exploring the University and making new friends from other schools."

"Everything was surprising. I loved the people and the community, everyone was fun, kind and exciting!"





