



# Reigate School



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## NEWSLETTER

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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Last night was the Year 8 Options Evening. Thank you to all the parents' and carers' who attended. The options form and information on how to complete the form will be communicated after the Year 8 Parents' and Carers' Evening.

In this newsletter we have several reports including the First Lego League Competition, Iceland 2024 and some form group activities.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Alexander

### UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Year 11 GCSE Drama Performance Evening

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Year 11 Visit to Selwyn College, University of Cambridge

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Year 8 Parents' and Carers' Evening  
Year 11 SEND Parents' and Carer's Evening

### PARENTS' EVENINGS

Year 8  
Year 9  
Year 7

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April

### SPOTLIGHT

#### YEAR 7

Ella Sampey for achieving 21 achievement points this week, which puts her total on 470 (the highest in the whole year at present)!

#### YEAR 8

Well done to the following children who did particularly well in their History assessment; Noah Benjamin, Victoria Giubergia, Phoebe Goggin, Maddy Humphreys and Malcolm Rabey.

#### YEAR 9

Emily Marshall for continuing her great work this week in RE, History and Physics

#### YEAR 10

Well done to Sophia Weston for her excellent work on her Health and Social Care assessment. William Aukloo for his Travel and Tourism coursework. Hayden Buss for being helpful in Art this week. Alex Moore for his brilliant abstract drawings in Art. All the Year 10s that helped with the 'Lets Sing' event. Amy Marcoolyn and Georgina Crockett for reading so well in assemblies this week. Congratulations to Zach Paine, who is already thinking ahead to his next step and has shown curiosity and resilience by completing the first module of a youth accredited award in carpentry.

#### YEAR 11

Charlee Hill who has been a great student and succeeds at a high level. Her work within other year groups is truly inspirational.



## FIRST LEGO LEAGUE COMPETITION



On Thursday 8th February with a team of 10, we left school at 8:55am heading for Gatwick Airport STEM Centre. A straight route with an excited group ready to show off all the challenging work they have done over the last few months. On entering the STEM Centre, we saw some familiar faces from last year's competition, this put some of the group at ease. They began setting up their areas with their gaming mats to give them time to practice their coding. Once again, we found that we were up quickly to the robot gaming table within the first 10 minutes. Here we go again!

Their first run did not go as well as they hoped just as last year! Tarquin (as named by the group) was having issues or more appropriately the children were having

issues with the coding. The robot got caught and needed picking up. Joshua decided that it was worth picking up and we were deducted points for having to pick up the robot from the play area. We ended the first run with 95 points but were positive of how to make quick changes to the code.



The presentation was next. The innovation project this year was about the performing arts and how we can increase interest in them. They presented their project very well, highlighting how they had created a website for a virtual programme for school productions that would give video clips of rehearsals and bios of the actors taking part in "Our House." The judges thought this was a neat solution to getting people more involved and they liked the ease of accessing this by use of a QR code given to the audience members so they could find out the relevant bios about the cast.



The robot judging task went well, the group of children were pressed as to what was the most innovative feature of the robot by the judges. The judges were amazed with the clever use of a colour sensor for programming the robot. One judge said: "I have been judging this competition for over 5 years and I have never seen such an innovative use of a colour sensor". High praise

indeed and they were also thrilled to see the use of a caterpillar track to make a forklift mechanism to help with one of the tasks.



The second run was a little better. The group had managed to rework some of the programming. Finlay and Joshua worked on making some of their new coding better to achieve more reliability while Honor and Daniel worked on improving their code. All these tweaks helped them to a total of 120 points, a worthy haul for the team work to improve the score.

A new part of the competition was to construct some sort of wearable art made from Lego. There was a large mat with a mound of Lego on for teams to try and build and construct the most creative adornment that they could. Several of the children went over and started feverishly creating small parts that could be combined. Kacper, Millie, Sid and Scarlett were keen to get involved initially as was Mrs Fox giving the children

some guidance about things they could make. All the children had a go at getting involved in this in the end and produced an interesting chest and back covering that resembled a tabard! It had the look of a clockwork tin man as it had a key like structure that could turn sticking out of the chest. Sid loved modelling this and a grand job he did of this.

The afternoon session was the last robot run and any last extras added to the body adornment. They tried their best to add more programming and extra tasks but only managed to get 110 points, but they worked hard and contributed well as a team.

The end of the day had arrived and with it the awards ceremony. When I asked the children if they would do this again every single one said they wanted to come back next year and that they really enjoyed the competition and the course of the day. The awards were announced with some local school teams doing well. We improved on last year's trophy and won the award for the best robot design due to our innovative colour programming system. The children were beaming that they had won a major trophy. Let's hope next year will be our lucky



year and Reigate School will win the regional event? The cohort I took were fantastic all day, playing card games with children from other schools and being model students. I could not have asked for a better bunch of children.

Well, done to: Sid, Finlay, Kacper, Daniel, Scarlett, Joshua, Alfred, Bennett, Millie and Honor.

Mr M Thomassen  
Design & Technology Department

Between Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024, a group of our Year 11 geographers visited Iceland for an action packed five day trip. During the stay, the children walked across Sólheimajökull glacier, swam in the thermal baths at the Secret Lagoon, explored the inside of a lava tunnel at Raufarhólshellir (pictured) and ate freshly made tomato soup in the Friðheimar greenhouse (pictured). The children also got to see the basalt columns at Reynisfjara beach, the volcanic crater at Kerið, the mighty Strokkur Geyser erupt and a wide range of (largely frozen) waterfalls, including Skógafoss (pictured). There was even time to get an ice cream at Efstidalur dairy farm!

A fantastic time was had by all. Well done to all the Year 11s on the trip – you were an absolute pleasure and excellent ambassadors for our school.

Mr Kirkwood, Miss Harber and Mr Alexander

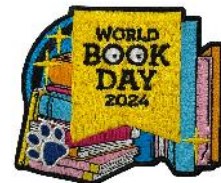


WORLD  
BOOK  
DAY**WORLD BOOK DAY BOOK SALE!**WORLD  
BOOK  
DAY

**World Book Day** this year falls on **Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March**. To mark the occasion, and to offer some very reasonably priced books to our Year 7, 8 and 9 children, the school library is holding an exciting secondhand book sale at lunchtime. The money raised will be donated to Book Trust, the UK's premier book charity, which gives a free book pack to every baby born in England and Wales through its Bookstart programme.

Children should bring in a small amount of cash if they would like to come along. All books will be a mere **50p** each!

Rumour has it that some of the staff will be dressing up as book characters... Photos in next week's edition!



## READING PASSPORT COMPETITION

Congratulations to English class 8TA for winning the Reading Passport Competition in Year 8! They were the first form to read 50 books as a class and won a pizza party to celebrate. The prize is still up for grabs in Year 7, so we look forward to seeing who will win the prize...



## TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Last week Year 10 Travel and Tourism spent their Thursday completing one section of their controlled assessment which is worth 30% of their grade. The children did amazingly well and we are all incredibly proud of the work they achieved.

Miss Sutton, Mrs Powell and Mrs Thomas

## PE SURVEY

The PE department has set all children a survey on Show My Homework this week. Please may the children take a few minutes to complete it by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. It is seven quick questions about children's experience of extra-curricular PE clubs at Reigate School. Thank you in advance.

## ACHIEVEMENT POINT BREAKFAST

A huge well done to 10JTH who got the most achievement points this week in Year 10. As a result, they were treated to a breakfast presented by a sparkly Mr Hamilton!

Which form will win in two weeks' time?



## 8SJO PANCAKE DAY

Since Shrove Tuesday fell in half term this year, we had to recreate it the following week. On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February we held the 8SJO Pancake Day. Having recently moved our form room to a food tech room it was very convenient for our activity! Everyone made the effort to get up and come into school slightly earlier than normal. The pans and spatulas were already left for us by the kind Mrs Hedges and having premade batter meant we were ready for action. Ava was the first in and got the choice of the selection of hobs and pans to save for her and Ruby. The boys came in together and commandeered four of the hobs! Soon enough everyone was making pancakes.

Not everyone wanted to eat the pancakes, Chloe and Tayla enjoyed making pancakes for others to eat! Talulah and Eleana didn't make pancakes but enjoyed some fruit for their breakfast instead.

With the first round of pancakes made, Isaac and Keaton were brave enough to flip the pancakes (successfully, I might add), and the different toppings now came into use. Biscoff spread, Nutella, strawberries, raspberries, and bananas were on offer, with various combinations being created. Tilly was smart enough to come prepared with Bueno to add to her creations. It was pleasing to see Holly, Chloe and Janelle enjoying the fresh lemons (although not all on the pancakes!)

We got through all the premade batter plus some 'just add water' American style pancakes so I think it's safe to say that everyone had a great time. The whole class helped to clean up, especially Lily, Freya and Grace. A big thank you to Mrs Hedges for getting everything ready and making sure it all went away in the correct place. Thank you to 8SJO for a wonderful way to start the day.



## YEAR 9 AND 10 BASKETBALL

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February our Year 9 and 10 basketball players travelled away to Lingfield College.

If the enthusiasm and confidence on the journey there could have won us the game, then we would have thrashed them! However, reality hit once we started playing, and their physical nature got the better of us. We had good shape in the first quarter, with Tyler getting lots of offensive rebounds and trying to start the fast break. Sadly, Lingfield were fast and managed to stop the final basket each time. As the game progressed, so did our frustration.

Lingfield played well as a team and outplayed us generally. We tried to dribble through them, pass over them and chose to shoot hurried shots. Our confidence dwindled as the game neared the end. However, there were some good individual moments. A highlight being the incredible clean block by Joe in the last minute of the game.

If we can work on movement, placement and teamwork we can come back stronger and have a chance against them. The loss was made slightly better by the flapjack, apple and milkshake on offer at the end. Hard luck boys, maybe next time!

Mrs Jones

## YEAR 7 NETBALL



On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February our Year 7 A and B netball team played Woldingham School. As we arrived at the netball courts it was decided that they were just too slippery for us to play safely. So, we started our walk up to the top netball courts. This gave us a little warm up and allowed us to take in the beautiful views of the school vineyard too!

Both games followed the same pattern. Woldingham took a very early lead, the B's keeping a deficit lower than the A's. We were rushing our passes and trying to use the same space to create space.

The second quarter was the best for the B team, with their first goal by Rim and only one goal conceded. With a slight change to our defence in the 3<sup>rd</sup> we took a bit of a hit again. We switched Grace back to GD for the final quarter but even with lots of interceptions they still extended their lead.

Defensively the A team also stepped up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, conceding only three goals in total. Klaudia and Ava worked hard to keep the ball out of their D. This allowed our mid court players to get the ball to our shooters. This resulted in the A team scoring two thirds of their goals in the final quarter.

In summary, both teams were slow to get started but finished the game playing their best netball of the day. It was the basics that let us down, and perhaps a few nerves. The girls' excitement and enthusiasm never dwindled during the entire afternoon.

Lots more games coming up in the next few weeks.

Mrs Jones

## GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Reigate School's U13 Girls football team travelled to Oxted School on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February in pretty treacherous conditions for a league game.

The first half was a battle for both sides. We didn't get the start we had hoped for as we scored an own goal within the first 3 minutes, however we counter-attacked and Josie found the back of the net within minutes.

Both teams were equal with opportunities coming from both, and the Reigate defence clearing some great attacking balls from the opposition.

Unfortunately Oxted saw an opportunity and took it, making it 2-1. Once again this spurred us on and Tallulah quickly found the bottom corner, levelling the score to 2-2 at half time.

The second half saw us dominate with some great chances, as well as keep Oxted in their own half. The hard work finally paid off nearing the end of the half, with Niamh scoring the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final goal and saw Reigate triumph with a final score of 3-2 to Reigate.

It was a closely contested match in challenging weather conditions, but Reigate U13 Girls showcased resilience and determination to secure the victory with Niamh's decisive goal. Well done to all girls, it was a tough match in rotten conditions, however this did not deter them.

Mrs Corder



## HOUSE POINTS

Attenborough	55337	4TH
Curie	57971	1ST
Parkes	55751	3RD
Turing	55899	2ND

## PE FIXTURES

# What's on this week?

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024

*Y10 & Y11 Netball Training (MUGA)*

*Y7 Football Training (Astro)*

*Girls Football Training – All Years (Astro)*

**U13 Girls Football v RGS (H)**



### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Y7 Netball Tournament @ RAAS**



### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024

*Y8 & Y9 Netball Training (MUGA)*

*Y8 Boys Football Training*

*Y9 Boys Football Training*

**U15 Girls Football vs Oakwood (A)**



### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**No Clubs due to Y8 Parents Evening**

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

No clubs or fixtures

 Instagram: @Reigate\_School\_PE



# MFL COMPETITION

## LEARN A TONGUE TWISTER IN FRENCH OR SPANISH

Learn a tongue twister in **French** or **Spanish**. When you are ready to participate, you can show Miss Betancour, after school or at lunch time, **before or on the 22nd or March**. You can find some examples below:



### Erre con Erre

Erre con erre cigarro, erre con erre barril.  
Rápido corren los carros cargados de  
azúcar del ferrocarril.

### Speech Sounds

Tres tristes tigres tragaban  
trigo en un trival. En un trival,  
tres tristes tigres tragaban  
trigo.



### El amor es una locura

El amor es una locura que solo el  
cura lo cura, pero el cura que lo  
cura comete una gran locura.

### Si mon tonton tond ton tonton

Si mon tonton tond ton tonton,  
ton tonton sera tondu.



### Tortues

Trois tortues trottaient  
sur un trottoir très étroit.

### Deadline 22nd of March

1st price £10 Amazon Voucher  
2nd and 3rd prices £5 amazon  
vouchers  
Good luck!  
MFL department



## COMING UP IN CAREERS

4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> March

All years: National Careers Week (assemblies and tutor time activities)

18<sup>th</sup> April

Year 9: Student Living (University of Surrey)

Every Wednesday lunchtime – Careers drop in with Mrs Grew, Careers Officer





## CAREERS

There is a comprehensive careers section on the Reigate School website.

[Careers | Reigate School \(reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk\)](https://www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/careers)

In the CEIAG - Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance section you will find our termly career plan which details what CEIAG each year group receives throughout the academic year. Our careers policy and provider access policy can be found in the same section.

The careers section also includes information on the labour market, apprenticeships and apprenticeship vacancies. The section for parents and carers contains guides to post 16 options, the new T level qualifications and apprenticeships.

In the "Options at post 16" section, there are links to the local colleges where you can register for their open events.

[FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGES OPEN EVENTS 23-24.pdf \(reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk\)](https://www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/further-education-colleges-open-events-23-24.pdf)

The website contains much information, which I hope you and your children will find useful.

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. Our library has many resources within the Careers section which the children are welcome to use.

When using the Morrisby platform please use the Reigate School Code when signing up: MC94232M



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

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

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

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



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

## SAFEGUARDING AT REIGATE SCHOOL

We recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children. Reigate School makes every effort to provide a Ready, Respectful and Safe environment in which children feel secure, valued and respected. If a child has any worries or needs some support at any time, we encourage them to speak to their pastoral team or any member of the safeguarding team in the first instance.



Please visit the school website <https://www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/> to access our safeguarding pages for guidance, support and signposting information. We have a comprehensive outline of our Reigate School Early Help offer, which is designed to help families access key services when support is first needed.

If you have any concerns, questions or would like advice surrounding any aspect of safeguarding please contact the school and ask to speak to a member of the safeguarding team or email [dsl@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk)

## SAFEGUARDING – ONLINE SAFETY

The internet is a wonderful resource, however ensuring children know how to use the internet safely is vitally important. Please visit the school website E-Safety page using the link below to access important signposting information designed to inform parents and carers about online safety and how to best support your child at home.



Education from  
the National  
Crime Agency

E-Safety: <https://www.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/safeguarding/esafety>

The following resource from Childnet has been created to help a parent/ carer and child to have a conversation together about life online. <https://www.childnet.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/My-Life-Online.pdf>

# Twelve 15 Week 3

Morning Break Menu, Spring/Summer 2024

Weeks Starting:  
4th March, 25th March,  
29th April, 20th May,  
17th June and 8th July



## Monday

Option 1  
**BBQ Pulled Pork  
Yorkie Wrap with  
Rainbow Slaw**  
£2.75

Option 2  
**Potato Cakes topped with  
Cheesy Sauce, Spring  
Onion and Crispy Crunch**  
£1.65

Option 3  
**Sausage, Bacon and  
Roasted Red Onion Wrap**  
£2.50

Option 4  
**Chicken Goujons  
Wrap**  
£2.75

**Daily  
superfood  
and salad  
bar**

## Tuesday

Option 1  
**Jerk-a-licious Chicken  
Pot with Rice 'n' Peas and  
Caribbean Salsa**  
£2.75

Option 2  
**BBQ Boston  
Beans  
Loaded Nachos**  
£1.80

Option 3  
**Thai Vegan Meatball  
Baguette**  
£2.65

Option 4  
**Mexican Spicy  
Bean Roll**  
£2.70

**Pizzas, Wraps  
and Paninis**  
Fresh options  
every day

## Wednesday

Option 1  
**French Bread Roast Beef  
Pizza with Melted Onions,  
Mushrooms and Cheese**  
£2.75

Option 2  
**Vegan Sausage  
and Mash Pot with  
Red Onion Jam Gravy**  
£2.10

Option 3  
**Onion Bhaji Pitta, Mango  
Chutney and Mint Yoghurt**  
£2.65

Option 4  
**Pesto Chicken  
Panini**  
£2.95

**Daily offer includes:**

Freshly filled baguettes and sandwiches  
A range of filled jacket potatoes, loaded taters  
A variety of fresh fruits, yoghurt pots, pretzels,  
waffles, cakes, traybakes and muffins

## Thursday

Option 1  
**Spicy Sausage  
and Bean  
Quesadilla**  
£1.65

Option 2  
**Cheese and  
Tomato  
Pizza**  
£1.65

Option 3  
**Ham and Cheese  
Bagel**  
£2.95

Option 4  
**Vegan  
1/4 Pounder**  
£2.65

## Friday

Option 1  
**Potato Tots  
with  
Chipotle Chicken**  
£2.85

Option 2  
**Chef's  
Pizza**  
£2.65

Option 3  
**Fish Finger  
Wrap**  
£2.85

Option 4  
**Sausage  
Roll**  
£1.95

**Selection of  
Pasta Pots**  
Available  
every day

Vegetarian

# Twelve 15 Week 3

Lunch Menu, Spring/Summer 2024

Weeks Starting:  
4th March, 25th March,  
29th April, 20th May,  
17th June and 8th July



## Monday

**Traditional Favourites**

Option 1  
**Chicken and  
Leek Pie**

Option 2  
**Vegetarian  
Vegetable and  
Bean Hot Pot**

Sides  
Herby Diced Potatoes,  
Sweetcorn,  
Baby Carrots

Dessert  
Mango and  
Passionfruit  
Pot

**Daily  
superfood  
and salad  
bar**

## Tuesday

**Street Food Market**

Option 1  
**Chimichurri  
Chicken Burger**

Option 2  
**Vegetarian  
Jerk  
Vegan Rice**

Sides  
BBQ Beans,  
Waffle Fries

Dessert  
Toffee Apple  
Crumble with  
Vanilla Custard

**Pizzas, Wraps  
and Paninis**  
Fresh options  
every day

## Wednesday

**Great British Roast**

Option 1  
**Roast Pork with Apple  
Sauce**

Option 2  
**Vegetarian  
Chefs choice  
Quiche**

Sides  
Roast Potatoes,  
Gravy, Broccoli,  
Peas and Sweetcorn

Dessert  
Pineapple  
Upside Down  
Cake

## Thursday

**World Food Cuisine**

Option 1  
**Sri Lankan Chicken  
Curry**

Option 2  
**Vegetarian  
Veg Chow Mein  
Noodles**

Sides  
Steamed Rice,  
Carrot and Coconut  
Sambol

Dessert  
Chocolate and Pear  
Sponge with Vanilla  
Custard

## Friday

**Fantastic Fish Friday**

Option 1  
**Harry Ramsden's  
Fish in Batter**

Option 2  
**Vegetarian  
Squashage  
Roll**

Sides  
Chips,  
Mushy Peas,  
Onion Gravy

Dessert  
Mandarin Cheesecake  
with Whipped Citrus  
Crème Fraiche

**MEAL DEAL ONLY £2.75**  
includes Main/Side/Dessert

**Selection of  
Pasta Pots**  
Available  
every day

Vegetarian