Reigate School

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 13th February 2020

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Last week in year group assemblies we shared some wellbeing tips with the children which we hope will be helpful. The key tips were;

- Avoid avoiding the things that may make you feel anxious.
- Eat regularly and healthily.
- Manage electronic device and social media time (keep to a curfew).
- Do something you enjoy that relaxes you.
- Be social.

Issue No: 167

• Go to sleep at a reasonable time each day and at the same time each day.

Tomorrow is the Greensand Multi-Academy Trust inset day where all schools in the Trust come together. The sessions planned for the day will also be focusing on wellbeing.

This week was the first week of the Year 11 mocks and they have been well attended. The mocks will continue after half term.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and that the Year 11s manage to strike a good balance between revising for their mocks and having some down time so they can come back feeling refreshed.

Mr Alexander

| SPOTLIGHT | | |
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| STUDENT SPOTLIGHT | | |
| Year 7 | Afua for having the highest reading score across the whole of Year 7. | |
| Year 8 | Thomas Romaine and Holly Nutton for their outstanding effort and participation on the week long University of | |
| | Surrey course. | |
| Year 9 | Freddie Fitzpatrick for working so hard in languages and getting an amazing 2,095 points on vocabexpress. | |
| Year 10 | Wyatt Blakeley for his outstanding kindness towards his form and for baking a fantastic birthday cake. | |
| Year 11 | All Year 11s for their hard work throughout the mock exam period. | |

| COMMENDATION AWARDS | | |
|---------------------|-------|--|
| Year 7 | 7LRD | |
| Year 8 | 8RPA | |
| Year 9 | 9CWO | |
| Year 10 | 10SCA | |
| Year 11 | 11SC | |

| BEST ATTENDANCE | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Year 7 | 7LWA, 7MDA, 7AMI | 100% | | |
| Year 8 | 80EV | 98.3% | | |
| Year 9 | 9CHN | 98.4% | | |
| Year 10 | 10SCA | 98.7% | | |
| Year 11 | 11JWH | 99.2% | | |
| | Whole School Attendance 95.6% | | | |

| UPCOMING DATES | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| Friday 14 th – Tuesday 18 th | GCSE Geography Iceland Trip | | |
| Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st | HALF TERM | | |
| Tuesday 25th February | KS3 District Gymnastics Competition, Oakwood School. | | |

| PARENTS' EVENINGS | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Year 10 | Thursday 27 th February | |
| Year 8 (Options Evening) | Thursday 5 th March | |
| Year 8 | Thursday 12 th March | |
| Year 7 | Thursday 21st May | |

NEWS AND EVENTS

REIGATE COLLEGE A-LEVEL TASTER LESSON



On Tuesday 28th January, a group of Year 10s taking Geography and History visited Reigate College to participate

in a Government and Politics A-Level class. The aim of the trip was to give us an insight into what the Government and Politics A-Level might be like.

In the lesson we discussed the ten aspects of the US constitution and the importance of each of these aspects. We also looked at cases where the constitution was broken and the consequences of that.

I thought it was an incredibly useful trip because it showed us what the Government and Politics A-Level was like and what it involved and I hope the school runs more trips like this in the future.

Reported by

Thomas Goodbourn

NEWS AND EVENTS

YEAR 10 MFL TALK

I took part in the languages talk by a former Reigate School student, where we discussed possible opportunities regarding doing a modern foreign language at GCSE and A-Level. She talked about good ways to revise, gave tips to help with languages at GCSE and also spoke about some of the great prospects of taking further education in languages. Some of the tips were to read foreign newspapers or watch films in the language being studied in order to get accustomed to the vocabulary used. We were given an insight into what an A-Level languages lesson would be like, where most of the lesson is spoken in Spanish/French. Finally, she told us about the amazing trips you get offered when doing MFL at college, such as exchange trips to the country.

I found the talk very useful as it was good to have further information about studying MFL at a higher level. It was also very interesting to find out what an A-Level lesson would be like and helpful to be given tips and strategies to excel in the GCSE exams by an experienced student. Overall, I was very grateful to be able to take part in this talk and will definitely be using this knowledge to help me in my future choices.



Reported by

Jamie Bunn

NEWS AND EVENTS

YEAR 7 ACCELERATED READING

Accelerated Reading is a reading program used in Reigate School to reward and encourage independent reading for pleasure. The children select books from the library at their own level and read them at their own pace. When they finish, they register the book online, take a quick quiz about what they have just read and the number of 'words' in the book is added to their own totalised score. These scores are then accumulated throughout the year and celebrated in the year group assemblies. Well done to our fabulous collection of milestone certificate holders!



ARTIST OF THE WEEK

NINA MEHMOOD 9CWO

Over the past few weeks Nina has been developing her own project looking at the work of mix media artist Christine Peloquin. Nina's final outcome was based on a close up photograph that she took of her friend. Well done Nina!





SPORTS NEWS

LOWER JUNIOR AND JUNIOR SWIMMING GALA

On Wednesday 5th February following a cancelled gala last week due to a chemical imbalance, we arrived at The Royal Alexandra and Albert School (RAAS) eager to get in the pool. With swim caps in hand, we collected the bus keys and checked that we had everyone. Sadly, we didn't. Three of the four junior boys team were missing. However, Spiros showed an incredible team spirit and decided to come along and participate in as many races as he could.

Eventually, we arrived at the venue. All of the children pestered Mrs Jones to get a photo of them in front of the picturesque Gatton Hall. She couldn't break their hearts and refuse so she dutifully took the photo.

The gala was in full swing. Spiros entered three out of the four strokes with his best finish being 2nd in the breast stroke!

We can't blame him for choosing not to do fly. Speaking of which, Dominic outclassed his opposition yet again and won fly by a convincing 7m or so.

As we hadn't had enough dramas, the lights went out mid race to send us into darkness. With a five minute wait we decided to continue with partial light. Professional at all times!

All teams were well organised helping the gala to flow swimmingly!

This led to an unusually early finish of 5.30pm. Other impressive results were from Elizabeth with a 2nd in front crawl and Anna winning breast stroke. Both girls joining the squad for the first time this year. The junior girls team also pulled off an impressive victory in the freestyle relay too.

As always the whole team gave 100%. Now seasoned professionals – a well done to Robyn, Lucy, Alister, Dominic, Spiros, Amelia, Elizabeth and Anna. Thank you to RAAS for hosting this friendly and relaxed gala.

If you would like to be considered for the swim team please come and see Mrs Jones in the PE Office. If you are on the team and cannot make it, please be courteous and let us know before we are due to leave. Finally, don't forget to return the sought after and prestigious Reigate School swimming caps. We seem to be a little bit short.

Reported by

Mrs Jones



ECO-COMMITTEE

ECO-COMMITTEE INITIATIVES

Our school Eco-Committee is moving forward with some exciting initiatives this term. After a whole school environmental audit, they have chosen **Waste**, **Energy** and **Healthy Living** as areas to improve at Reigate School:

Waste:

Recycling initiatives in the canteen

- Main meals to be eaten on china plates, take-away containers only available on request.
- Removal of polystyrene disposable containers where possible.
- Wooden knives forks and spoons will replace the plastic ones.
- Remove all single use plastic bottles from the canteen (apart from the 500ml water). These will be replaced with cans and tetra packs.
- From after the February half-term, introduction of re-usable fruit/jelly and pasta pots.



Energy

• Light and computer monitors currently auditing the school to check in classrooms at the end of the day that everything has been switched off.

Healthy Living

• The Eco-Committee met with the area manager of our catering company to discuss healthier snacks in the canteen. They had a presentation from 'Generation Juice', who will be starting a trial juice machine involving a single use plastic alternative. Please remind your sons/daughters to bring in their reusable bottles!

Reported by

Mr Harvey

HEGARTYMATHS

Congratulations to the following children who have clocked up the most learning hours on HegartyMaths this week



Top Correct Answers 7th February – 13th February

Year 7

Ania Krystowczyk Scarlett Anderson Charlee Hill Nicholas Bolton Mia Luckins Amy Hedges Zara Mehmood Niyo Uthuba-Hatari Luke Dawkins Abigail Softley

Year 8

Anna Theodossiou Nina Krystowczyk Momen Bala Enya Mills Sophia Bryant George Burrows Isabelle Walker Maya Moberg Joshua Saunders Keira Fenton

Year 9

Florence Weids
Francesca Manrow
Sophia Walsh
Kayla O'Neill
Johnson Flack
Jennifer Smith
Amelia Macpherson
Caitlin Holloway
Cailen Harrap
Sienna Bean

Year 10

Ella Bryant
Sadie Jenkins
Alice Perrett
Naomi Moid
Madeline Howland
Hafsah Akhtar
Lilia Dobson
Eliza Siddiqui
Cicely Dennis
Veronika Ramm

Year 11

Evren Erol
Monty Collins
Abigail Grant
Eda Lay
Megan Casse
Victoria Grandison
Reece Ramnanansingh
Eva McLeod
Daisy Hobbs
Simeon Cygler



Get creative and enter the British Science Association's annual poster competition, on the theme of Our Diverse Planet.

The five best posters from our school can be entered into the UK-wide competition with the **chance for students to win an array of prizes**

Judging and rules:

- Posters will be judged on creativity, how well they fit the theme and how well the poster has been made or drawn.
- You can use pop up pictures, pull out tabs, paint, watercolours, pens or pencils, pipe cleaners, felt, thread, wool, foil, clay, string, beads, stamps, foam, pompoms anything creative. (No plastic or glitter)
- No 3D models -2D only.
- A4 or A3 size entries only please.
- They must be hand created and not use templates. It must be your own design.
- Name, age and form to be written on the back.

Successful Posters <u>will not</u> be returned to their creators. If you wish to retain your poster you may take a picture or copy for yourself and submit the original.

Submitting your design:

Please hand in your poster to Mrs Hudson by Wednesday 25th March, 2020

The five winners of the school competition will be announced shortly after that date.

British Science Week 2020

Why not think about biodiversity?

From the diversity in your own garden, to the diversity at the very bottom of the ocean, research all the amazing creatures and organisms that live on our planet.

The diversity of science and STEM subjects.

Have a think about all the diverse ways that science affects our lives and who you know that uses science every day. Is there science in baking and cooking? What about making a film or taking a picture? Or how about operating planes and cars?

Think about the other kinds of diversity our planet contains.

From the variety of the molecules that make up essential parts of life, to the different way our towns and cities are built, and the variation of people's tastes and interests.

NEW COMPETITION IN THE MFL DEPARTMENT



WEEKLY VOCAB EXPRESS CHALLENGES



Everyone studying French and/or Spanish, in every year, is invited to compete in the weekly challenges.

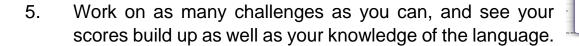
Achievement points will be given for the highest scorers in each year group, every Thursday.

There will be a special prize for the highest overall score at the end of the term! It is a fun and effective way to build up your bank of vocabulary. The more challenges you complete, the higher your score will be!

Step by step guide to entering:

1. Log in to vocabexpress.com with the username and password given to you in class (see Mr Vouimba if have any issues logging in).

- 2. Press the "Learn Vocab" tab to take you to this screen.
- 3. Click on the topic you want to practice. Then choose how you want to study it on screen.
- 4. Before you start the challenges, you MUST remember to click on the red "Launch Learning" tab in the top left corner, otherwise your score won't be registered!



You'll also be able to see your ranking on the scoreboards tab!





WHO WILL BECOME OVERALL CHAMPION?



INSIGHT

Thank you to those of you that have already logged into INSIGHT. Over the course of this academic year we will be increasing the use of INSIGHT and you will need to have access to INSIGHT to book the upcoming parents' evening appointments starting next term. If you haven't yet logged on, INSIGHT can be accessed in two different ways:

Mobile App

INSIGHT's mobile app is free and is available for both Apple and Google Play. Search for: **Insight by TASC**





INSIGHT website

Search for https://insight.reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk/insight

To log in via the app or website you require your username which is your e-mail address and a password. If you do not have your password there is an option for a reset which will enable you to have a new password e-mailed out to you.



Once you have accessed INSIGHT please open your child's Report. This will automatically update our records and identify that you have access.

LOST PROPERTY

Several footballs have been retrieved by the premises team. If you have lost a football please go to Student Services and provide details of the colour and make of the football.

YEAR 11 GCSE EXAM NOTICE

Please be aware that the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) requires <u>all Year 11 children</u> to be available until the 25th June 2020. This is because an awarding body (exam board) may need to invoke its contingency plan which would require children to go into their school up until the 25th June 2020. In light of this, please do not book holidays that begin before the 25th June 2020 or other events that would mean your child would be unable to come into school.

NOTICES

FINAL SCHOOL BOOSTER - YEAR 9

Children in Year 9 will be offered their **Diphtheria/Tetanus/Polio final school booster** and the **Meningococcal ACWY** vaccinations at Reigate School on **Tuesday 25th February 2020**.

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Polio final school booster protects against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio. This vaccination will complete the baby injections given pre-school.

Meningococcal ACWY protects against the four strains of Meningitis known as ACWY. These diseases are known to affect older adolescents, especially if they go to university or training where they are living in accommodation with other young people.

For more information about immunisations, visit: www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations

Please complete an e-consent form and state which vaccines you would like your child to receive. If you do not want your child immunised, then please fill in the NO box. The link can be found on the email sent to Year 9 parents on the 6th February.

The nurses will need to know before they vaccinate your child, whether he/she has any serious illness or is receiving treatment or medication. The nurses also need to know if your child has ever had a confirmed anaphylactic reaction to a previous vaccination or has been known to faint after an injection.

NOTICES

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

The school is following the advice of Public Health England (PHE) and the Local Authority to ensure the health of our whole community including children and staff.

Novel coronavirus (2019-nCov) is a new strain of coronavirus first identified in Wuhan City, China. The Department of Health and Social Care and Public Health England are carefully monitoring the coronavirus situation and have published information and advice for the public. As the situation is ever changing, please check the online



advice for the latest and most up-to-date information https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-to-the-public and the PHE blog for further information https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/

NOTICES

ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021/22



We would like to draw your attention to a consultation regarding admission arrangements to Greensand schools for September 2021/22.

The Trust is consulting on potential change to the oversubscription criteria to include 'children of staff'.

Full details of the consultation and how you can respond can be found on the following links;

http://Greensand-Consultation-Outline-December-2019.pdf

http://Supplementary-Information-Form---Children-of-Staff-2021.pdf

http://Greensand-MAT---Admission-Arrangements-2021-2022-final.pdf

Details can also be found within the admissions section of our school website and within the 'Key Documents & Statutory Information' section under the 'Key Information' tab on the Trust's website: www.greensandacademytrust.co.uk.

VACANCIES

School Governor Vacancies



Could you help children within the Greensand Multi-Academy Trust succeed by becoming a School Governor?

It's a great way to get involved in the local community, learn how education really works from the inside, support children and teachers at a strategic level and bring skills and knowledge from your working life into the team. Whether you are a parent, carer or grandparent it may be you have just the skills we are looking for. Each school within the Trust works slightly differently but we really want to encourage parents to work in different schools across the Trust. The particular skills needed currently on the various governing bodies are listed below. However, if you don't feel your skills fit exactly but are still interested, do still get in touch.

Wray Common Primary School: Finance, Data Analysis, Education or Human Resources **St John's Primary School:** Data Analysis, Education, Health and Safety, Risk Management

Holmesdale Community Infant School: Procurement, Project Management, links with local community, SEN (Special

Educational Needs) knowledge **Dovers Green School:** No vacancies **Reigate School:** No vacancies

In the first instance, please contact the Clerk for Reigate School, **Emma Salisbury**, for details by email e.salisbury@reigate-school.surrey.sch.uk. You can then either be put in contact with another school, speak to a current Governor about the role (with no obligation), or complete an application form.



Reigate Town Centre: Sat.15th – Sun.23rd February

For the February half-term holiday, Reigate shops and businesses are sponsoring this competition and putting a MYSTERY OBJECT in their window, which allows entry to be free for children. An entry form gives the names of the shops taking part in the competition and children tour the town looking for the mystery objects. It is expected that most children will be able to complete the form, so a Lucky Dip is held to choose a Winner and Runner-Up in each of two age groups. Cash prizes will be given at an Award Presentation. Hope you all have fun with this quiz.

Forms are available during week commencing 10th February from participating schools. If your school is not involved, forms can be obtained from participating shops or by sending an e-mail to duncancreeve@hotmail.co.uk





Teachers, Support Staff, Parents

Attendance Certificates Available

'The Importance of Study Skills for Children with Dyslexia'

The talk will include some techniques to support these children during their exams.

Speaker: Katrina Cochrane

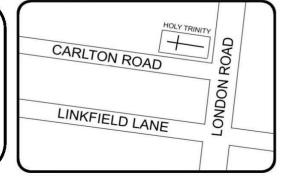
(Katrina has been a specialist teacher and assessor for over 20 years. She is an experienced trainer and assessor for the BDA. She set up her own company 'Positive Dyslexia Ltd' in 2016.)

Tuesday 25th February 2020 at 8pm

Members £3.00 Non-Members: £6.00 There will be a fund-raising raffle

To be held at

Holy Trinity Church Centre Carlton Road Redhill RH1 2BX



Details from SESDA Helpline: 01737 556173 or Email: sesdadyslexia@hotmail.com



How to book

- · You do not need to book for free activities, just turn up and join in the fun!
- All activities with a cost require advance booking and payment.
- Visit www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/schoolhols to complete an online booking form, then make payment via BACS to Reigate & Banstead Borough Council.
- · If you are in receipt of benefits, or if you have a looked after child, you may be entitled to a 50% discount. Please email: leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk.
- · If you have any questions please contact Reigate & Banstead Borough Council on 01737 276370.

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| What's on this February | | |
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| Mon 17 | Multi-Sports Team games, sports and plenty of fun activities! Tadworth Leisure Centre, Preston Manor Road, Tadworth, KT20 5FB 5-10 year olds 9.30am-11.30am £10 | |
| | Trampolining Learn how to perform a straddle, swivel hips and front landing. Horley Leisure Centre, Anderson Way, Horley, RH6 8SP 5-12 year olds 2pm-3.30pm £8 | |
| Tues 18 | Badminton Learn to play and improve your badminton skills. Donyngs Leisure Centre, Linkfield Lane, Redhill, RH1 1DP 5-12 year olds 2.30pm-3.30pm £6 | |
| Wed 19 | Show in a Day Sing, dance, act and perform on stage. The Harlequin Theatre, Warwick Road, Redhill, RH1 1NN 8-12 year olds 9am-3.30pm £25 or 10am-3.30pm £20 | |
| | Trampolining Learn how to perform a straddle, swivel hips and front landing. Tadworth Leisure Centre, Preston Manor Road, Tadworth, KT20 5FB 5-12 year olds 1.30pm-3pm or 3pm-4.30pm £8 | |
| Thurs 20 | Lego Building Sessions Get creative with a selection of Lego bricks, figures and your imagination. The Harlequin Theatre, Warwick Road, Redhill, RH1 1NN 5-12 year olds 10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm £10 | |
| | Squash Bounce off the walls in this fast paced racquets game. Donyngs Leisure Centre, Linkfield Lane, Redhill, RH1 1DP 5-12 year olds 2pm-3.20pm £6 | |
| Fri 21 | Den Building A meeting place for spies, a pirate hideout or maybe a fairy castle? See what you can create using only branches, leaves and your hands. Earlswood Lakes, Woodhatch Road, Reigate, RH2 7QH 5-12 year olds 10am-11.30am FREE - All children must be accompanied by a participating adult. No booking required. | |

Specsavers Surrey Youth Games

Free sports coaching April-June 2020







Did you know, in the lead up to the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games there are free sports coaching sessions for up to 8 weeks for young people in school years 3+ held across Reigate & Banstead at local schools and sports clubs.

The sessions are designed for beginners. We welcome anyone who would like to give a new sport a try!

Tennis, girls football, squash, basketball, judo, badminton, hockey and more.

The Specsavers Surrey Youth Games competition will be held on 13 and 14 June 2020 at Surrey Sports Park in Guildford.

Registration opens February 2020, more info: www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/syg

Contact us at: leisure.services@reigate-banstead.gov.uk 01737 276693

Only children
selected to
represent Team
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will attend the
competition

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SAFEGUARDING



Thinkuknow is an education programme from the National Crime Agency's CEOP Command. Since 2006, Thinkuknow has been keeping children and young people safe by providing education about sexual abuse and sexual exploitation. Thinkuknow is unique. It is underpinned by the latest intelligence about child sex offending from CEOP Command. Thinkuknow aims to ensure that everyone has access to this practical information – children, young people, their parents and carers and the professionals who work with them. Alongside the Thinkuknow website the programme provides educational resources, including films, cartoons and lesson plans, to help parent/carers and professionals raise young people's awareness. https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk

CAREERS

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 guiz 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.apprenticeships.org.uk



www.barclayslifeskills.com



www.notgoingtouni.co.uk



www.icould.com

www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk