



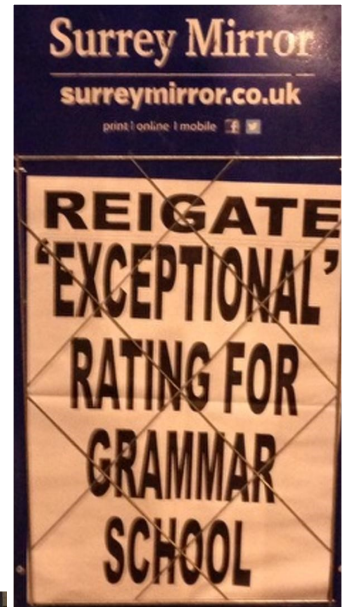
From the Headmaster

Today you will have received a copy of the **ISI Inspection Report** which, as you can see, has also been picked up by the local media (*taken in the High Street, Reigate on Thursday 28 January*).

Last night I attended the first **Informal Concert** of 2016 and was proud to hear so many RGS musicians of all ages and levels of experience demonstrating talent, poise and nerves of steel as they played in front of parents and peers in another delightful concert. Earlier in the week and RGS quartet comprising **Sophia Herbert, Freya Biggs, Juliet Anderson** and **Yasmin Herbert**, along with **Megan Farnfield** as a vocal soloist, represented the school with distinction at the **Holocaust Memorial Evening** in Reigate in the presence of the mayor, deputy mayor and a 93-year old holocaust survivor. **Mr Carden** tells me it was a high profile and very enjoyable event and I am proud RGS students contributed so well.

Thirty two members of the Lower Sixth Form visited **Cambridge** last Friday. Students heard from the Admissions Tutor of Churchill College, Dr Jonathan Padley, about what Cambridge University has to offer and what the university looks for in students; they had a tour of Churchill College and Pembroke College; and enjoyed some time looking around the town, soaking up the atmosphere and even spotting Professor Stephen Hawking!

Last Wednesday RGS choir, **Polyphony** joined forces with RSM choristers to sing **Evensong at Southwark Cathedral**. The cathedral nestles in the busy area of London Bridge and Borough Market, overshadowed by the impressive heights of The Shard. After rehearsing in the historic choir room, the students processed down the cathedral aisle in formal gowns to stand in the stalls and sing the service as choirs have traditionally done for centuries. **Mrs Glynne-Jones** and **Mr Carden** were delighted with the singing and the students openly expressed how much they had enjoyed the experience. RGS has been invited back by the cathedral officiant, which is apparently a rare honour for a school choir!



Sport News

RGS had a very successful day at the **Surrey County Cross-Country** competition in Reigate last weekend. **Niamh Brown** and **Oscar Subuh-Symons** both qualified for the Nationals having won the senior girls' race and coming fourth in the intermediate boys' race respectively and a number of students also qualified for the inter-counties events. Well done to: **Lucy Broderick***, **Patrick Florida-James**, **Lily Grant***, **Clara Grinyer**, **Theo Lewis***, **Charlotte Robinson**, **Georgina Robinson** and **Freya Taylor**. [**Lucy, Lily and Theo were all running in the age group above their own.*]

Ultimate Frisbee is rapidly catching on and last weekend twelve RGS students attended the **UK Ultimate Junior Indoor Tournament** in Wolverhampton. The team competed against the top Ultimate (Frisbee) teams in the country and despite only a short amount of time to train after the mocks the team worked excellently together. After an early start RGS competed in six intense games on Saturday developing and learning a great deal from the more experienced teams. By the final game on Sunday the team had made the plate final and lost by the narrowest of margins... their opponent went on to win the main tournament too, so the team should be proud of their result which places RGS 10th nationally.

The team awarded the following: **Mark Pangalos** *Most Valuable Player*; **Lewis James** *Most Improved Player*; and **Nick Pangalos** *Golden Disc* for most points scored. I am grateful to **Mr Saunders**, **Mr Dare** and **Mrs Garcia** for their support on the trip and also to former students Jordan Sloan (2012) and Mike Ellis (2013) for their advice, support, training and video analysis!



NOTICES

Student News

- ♦ **Clara Grinyer** has been selected to run for Surrey in the South East England Inter Counties Cross-Country Championships involving Sussex, Berkshire, Essex, Hampshire, Kent and Surrey in February.

One of the reasons the ISI inspectors recently judged **Governance at RGS** to be **EXCELLENT** is due to their dedication to our school. Planned long before the inspectors arrived, most of the governing body will be spending the day in school on **Tuesday 2 February**. They will take part in the fortnightly **Staff Teaching & Learning** briefing following which they will shadow students and observe a normal day at school including Form time, assembly, lessons, lunch and activities. We are very much looking forward to showing off the school to the governors on a normal working day.

Please do continue to send me any news items, comments or feedback by email to headmaster@reigategrammar.org. I always enjoy hearing your news and if there is anything I can do to help, please just let me know.

Best Wishes

Shaun Fenton, Headmaster

The Peter Harrison Foundation Centre

Please be aware that there will be an intensification of lorry movement in Church Walk and back along the coach road, next week. Specifically on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we are expecting at least 25 lorry movements per day, going in and out of the site, removing the demolition debris. Please make your children aware and, as always, be extra vigilant when you access the site yourselves.

RGS Cashless Catering Goes Live 1 February 2016

REMINDER: To put money onto lunch accounts log on to the Parents' Online Payment system (POP) at <http://rgs.to/pop>, via the [link](#) on the front page of the school website or via the Parent Portal.

- ♦ **Friday 29 January:** Last day for lunch cards/cash payments.
- ♦ **Monday 1 February: RGS Cashless Catering Goes Live.** In all cases (including where students' biometric data has not been registered) payments must be made via POP (as above).

In preparation for Monday 1 February:

- ♦ All students now have an account on the new system.
- ♦ After lunch today, Friday 29 January, all existing balances on old cards will be transferred to the new lunch accounts.
- ♦ Payments made through your child's account on POP and the transferred balances will be combined and displayed as the current Lunch Account Balance on POP.
- ♦ Every evening from Monday 1 February, you will be able to see your child's balance and purchases on the POP.

On Monday 1 February:

- ♦ The new tills will be in operation using biometrics from morning break.
- ♦ All students will choose their food and drink in the servery and go to the tills. Students will swipe their index finger purchases will automatically be paid for from their new lunch accounts.
- ♦ Those students who have not registered their biometrics will be asked their name and be identified using their photograph stored against their new lunch account.
- ♦ Catering staff will no longer be able to accept cash payments or cheques.

NB: Every student will be able to have their break and lunch as normal on Monday. Any issues that arise will be managed on the day.

If you would like your child or children to be registered on the cashless catering system, or have any general queries regarding the move to cashless catering, please email biometrics@reigategrammar.org.

If you have any queries relating to POP, please contact **Mrs Page** on 01737 229362 or email finance@reigategrammar.org.

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Important Notices from the School Office

Change of Address

Please remember to update your home contact details via Parent Portal or by emailing MainSchoolOffice@reigategrammar.org if there are any changes to students' home address and/or personal circumstances.

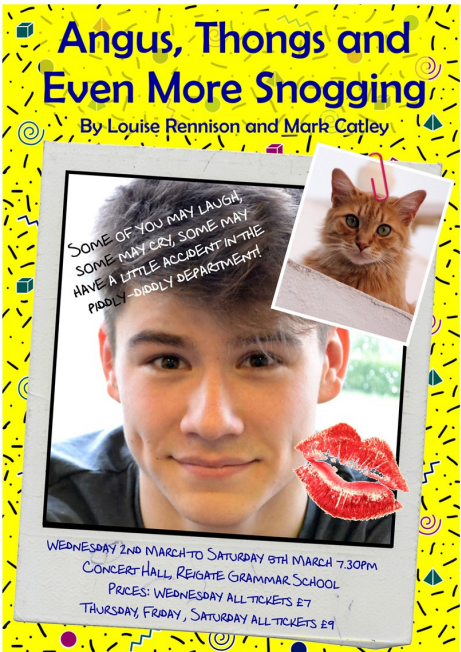
Sickness

There has been a marked increase in the number of students contacting parents direct when they feel unwell. Please ensure your child is aware of the sickness procedure. If they feel unwell during the day, they should go to the School Office where they will be assessed and cared for appropriately. The office staff will then contact parents where necessary. Thank you for your assistance in helping us to care for your child.

Pre-arranged Absence

For all pre-arranged absences (such as medical appointments) a **Student Absence Form** should be completed. Forms may be downloaded from the Parent Portal and should be emailed to the School Office via absence@reigategrammar.org with a copy to the Form Tutor **in advance of the absence**. Students must sign out at the office at which point the forms and reason for absence will be checked.

**The RGS Box Office for
Angus, Thongs and Even More Snogging opens at
12 noon on Friday 5
February 2016**



Careers from Mr Buzzacott

Careers Convention: 8 February

Running alongside the Careers Convention on Monday 8 February there will be three talks in the Library:

- ◆ **7.10-7.40pm**
Studying for degrees in Europe with Mark Huntington from A Star Future.
- ◆ **7.50-8.20pm**
What do I do if I do not know what degree or career I want to do? with Carolyn Scott.
- ◆ **8.30-9.00pm**
Careers in Insurance with Natasha Rees (OR).

Students and parents are welcome to go round the Careers Convention in the Concert Hall and just leave for 30 minutes to hear a talk in the Library. If you would like to attend one of these talks please email **Mrs Wilson** on slw@reigategrammar.org.

Priority will be given to those who have booked a place, however, you may turn up on the night in the event there is space.

Lower Sixth Form Centigrade Testing: Reminder

Students and parents are reminded that Lower Sixth Form Centigrade testing is **entirely voluntary** and there will be a charge of **£20.50** for all students who take the test.

RGS recommends this service for students who are unsure about what they want to do after leaving school. Lower Sixth Form students, who wish to take the Centigrade test should complete it online via this [link \(http://direct.coa.co.uk/centigrade/coa3592\)](http://direct.coa.co.uk/centigrade/coa3592).

If students would like to have an interview with an external careers adviser to follow up on the results of the Centigrade test, please email **Mrs Wilson** via slw@reigategrammar.org. There will be a further charge of **£15.00** for this service.

The RGS Careers Team

Mr Buzzacott and other members of the Careers team are always happy to talk to students or their parents about degree and/or career options.

Back by popular demand

RGS Parents' and Friends' Association is pleased to present

Comedy Night Saturday 19th March at 7.15pm

Featuring stand-up acts
booked by an Award-Winning
TV comedy producer

Further details to follow.

Tickets will sell fast and priority will be given to current RGS parents

The evening will include adult humour so is for over 18s

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RUN REIGATE
18.09.16
FOR THE
RGS FOUNDATION

The RGS Foundation is looking for runners to take part in this year's Run Reigate to raise vital funds for the **Changing Lives 1675 Bursary Fund**.

To register your interest or to find out more, please contact **Hazel Cornick** on 01737 229408 or email hkc@reigategrammar.org

Programme for Belize Cake Sale: Monday 1 February

Cakes will be on sale in the Wright Gallery at break time on Monday 1 February in aid of the *Programme for Belize*, the charity with whom RGS has built up links over many years. Their work involves protecting endangered species and the sub-tropical habitat where jaguars, monkeys, tapirs and over 300 bird species live.



RGS Music Quiz: Friday 5 February

If you are thinking of coming to the Music Quiz on Friday 5 February, please ensure you buy your tickets before the end of Monday 1 February to give us an idea of numbers for food. RGS Box Office: [link](#).

Young Writers' Poetry Trials Competition

The nationwide Young Writers' *Poetry Trials* poetry competition is now open to students in the Third Form with incredible prizes up for grabs. For more details, please speak with a member of the English department or visit the [website](#). NB: The RGS English department will be submitting entries to Young Writers' on **Monday 8 February 2016**. Good luck!

RGS Unplugged: Thursday 11 February

Back by popular demand, at 7.30pm in the Recital Room, Tickets now available from the RGS Box Office ([link](#)).

Non Uniform Day: Friday 12 February

In return for a **£1 donation** in support of the House Charities students will be able to come into school in non uniform on Friday 12 February. There will also be a number of Valentines related events including a cake sale. Tuesday 9 February is Shrove Tuesday and whilst this will be a normal uniform day, there will be pancakes on sale and pancake races in the playground! More details will follow soon.

RGS Half Term Cricket Camps
Monday 15 to Thursday 18 February
10.00am to 1.00pm—see the poster

Running Club: Monday/Thursday lunchtimes

Join the RGS Running Club on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes. All abilities are welcomed and it can really help students with their other sports. We will be entering some 5k park runs and you could find yourselves running against some parents very soon. For further details, please contact **Mr Haskey** via jth@reigategrammar.org.

CCF Update

- ♦ **Weapon's Handling Test:** 6 February, RGS, 09:00-16:00hrs.
 - ♦ **Outdoor Range Day:** 7 February, Pirbright Camp, 08:00-17:30hrs.
 - ♦ **Mountain Biking Weekend:** 11-13 March, Capel Curig, North Wales, 14:00-21:00hrs.
 - ♦ **Mess Dinner:** 16 April, PMH, 19:00-23:00hrs
- All queries should be directed to **Plt Off Rusbridge** via sar@reigategrammar.org.

RGS DoF Awards Presentation deadline: Wednesday 9 March 2016

To receive invitations to the annual RGS Award Presentation on **Thursday 21 April**, participants must complete all sections and have all assessor reports uploaded to eDoF **by Wednesday 9 March**. Invitations will be sent out by the end of term only to those who have completed their award by this deadline. Details on how to finish DoF awards can be found at the RGS DoF website: <https://rgsdofe.wordpress.com/edofe/>. If there are any questions, please contact **Mr Collins**.

World Book Day: Thursday 3 March 2016

Dress up as your favourite book character on Thursday 3 March 2016—House points will be awarded throughout the day for participation.

PARENTS' ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM

The following trips, services and items are now available for payment via the Parents' Online Payment System.

AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENT

- Cricket, Jersey
- France, Chateau du Broutel
- Geography, Belize 2016
- Golf Tour, Bryanston 2016
- Hockey Tour, Bath
- Netball Tour, Costa Dorada, Spain
- Rugby Tour, Biarritz
- Senior Ski, France—Second Deposit
- Spanish, Andalucia

- Biology—Science Live, Piccadilly Theatre
- Biology—Wakehurst Place
- Careers—Churchill College, Cambridge
- English—King Lear
- History—Hitler on Trial
- National Ultimate Frisbee Tournament 2016
- RS—All You Need is Love (8 February)
- RS—Conference (9 February)
- Science Live, Dominion Theatre
- Theatre Studies *Confusions*

The link to the Parents' Online Payment system is on the school website and on Parent Portal.

If there are any queries with any of the payments listed, or Any queries, please email finance@reigategrammar.org.

January

30 Sa 11+ & 13+ Pre-Test interviews (CH) 09:00-13:00
 Boys' Hockey v Caterham School: 1st XI (A) 09:00
 U15A&B (H) 09:00
 2nd XI (A) 10:15
 U14A&B (H) 10:15
 3rd XI (A) 11:30
 U13ABC&D (7-a-side) (H) 11:30
 U12ABC&D (H) 12:30
 Netball v Colfe's: U12ABC&D (A) 10:00
 1st VII, 2nd VII, 3rd VII, 4th VII (H) 10:00
 U13AB&C (A) 11:00
 U15A, U14A (H) 11:00
 Rugby v Brighton College: 1st XV, 2nd XV (A) 14:30

31 Su *Angus, Thongs and Snogging*: Rehearsal 10:00-17:00
Much Ado About Nothing: Whole cast rehearsal (DS)
 10:00-17:00

February

1 M Fifth Form Futures Meetings begin
Girls' Hockey, Surbiton Tournament:
U13A (7-a-side) (Hinchley Wood) 13:30
Much Ado About Nothing: Rehearsal 16:00-17:30
Angus, Thongs and Snogging: Rehearsal 16:00-20:00
 Netball v CLFS: U12ABC&D (H) 16:10
First to Fifth Form UK Linguistics Olympiad
(BL13) 16:00-17:30

2 Tu Governors' Day in School
 ICAEW BASE 2016 competition (London) 08:00-17:00
 Senior Maths Challenge: National Final (London)
 House: Chess finals (S13) 13:20-14:10
 Pastoral Care Committee 16:00-17:15

3 W Fourth Form Spanish Exchange visiting students
 (arrive)
Girls' Hockey, Surrey IN2: Cup:
U13A (7-a-side) (A) Trophy: U13B&C
(7-a-side) (A) * moved to 4/2/16 *
 Boys' Hockey v Christ's Hospital (A) 14:30
 Football v Caterham: 1st XI, 2nd XI (H) 14:30
 Netball v Guildford High School:
 1st VII, 2nd VII, 3rd VII, 4th VII (H) 14:45
 Swimming, Districts:
 U12 & U13/14 Mixed (Caterham School) 15:40
Much Ado About Nothing: Rehearsal 16:00-17:30
Angus, Thongs and Snogging: Rehearsal 16:00-20:00
 Cantata Choir: Rehearsal (RR) 19:45-21:45

4 Th Upper Sixth Geography Flood Investigation
 (Juniper Hall, Guildford) 08:40-17:00
 Lower Sixth Form Biology Lectures (Piccadilly Theatre,
 London) 08:45-17:30
 Third, Fourth, Fifth Form Intermediate Maths Challenge
 (PMH) 09:00-10:15
Girls' Hockey, Surrey IN2: * moved from 3/2/16 *
Cup: U13A (7-a-side) (A)
Trophy: U13B&C (7-a-side) (A)
PSHEE Talk: Fifth Form (CH) 14:15-15:50
*** moved to 28 January ***
 Surrey SATRO Problem-Solving competition
 (St Bede's, Redhill) 16:00-20:00

5 F Boys' Hockey v Dulwich College: U12ABC&D (A) 14:30
 Chess v Guildford RGS: A Team 16:00-18:00
 Music: Quiz Night (PMH) 19:30-23:00

6 Sa MUN: John Warner Conference (*departs*)
CCF: Weapons Handling (RGS) 09:00-16:00
*** NEW ***
 Netball v KCS Wimbledon:
 1st VII, 2nd VII, 3rd VII, 4th VII (H) 09:30
 Netball v Royal Russell: U15A&B (A) 09:30
 U14AB&C (A) 10:30
 Netball Priorsfield Tournament:
 U12A&B, U13A&B (A) 10:00
 Rugby v Coopers' Company and Coborn School:
 1st & 2nd XV (HW) 10:30
 Boys' Hockey v King's School, Canterbury:
 U15A&B (A) 13:30
 U14A&B (H) 13:30
 1st XI, 2nd XI (H) 14:45

7 Su MUN: John Warner Conference (*returns*)
 Rugby 7s v The Portsmouth Grammar:
 1st VII (A) 08:00-16:00
 CCF: Outdoor Range Day (Pirbright) 08:00-17:30
Angus, Thongs and Snogging: Rehearsal 10:00-17:00
Much Ado About Nothing: Rehearsal 10:00-17:00

Science Week

8 M Fourth Form Spanish Exchange visiting students (*depart*)
 Sixth Form Theology & Philosophy Candle Conference
 (London) 08:00-16:30
 Mixed Swimming v Caterham: U15, Senior (H) 16:00
 Staff: Form Tutors' Meeting 16:00-17:15
Angus, Thongs and Snogging: Rehearsal 16:00-20:00
 Governors: Education & Welfare Committee Meeting
 17:30-19:30
 RGS Careers Convention (CH/SH) 19:00-21:00

9 Tu

10 W Netball v Guildford High School & JAGS:
 U12ABC&D (Guildford High School) 16:30
 Third Form PSHEE (PMH) 14:15-15:50
 Fourth Form PSHEE (6FC) 14:15-15:50
 Football v RGS Guildford: 1st XI, 2nd XI (A) 14:30
 Rugby v CLFS: 2nd XV (A) 14:30
 Mixed Swimming v RAAS (friendly):
 U12 & U14 (A) 15:50
Much Ado About Nothing: Rehearsal 16:00-17:30
Angus, Thongs and Snogging: Rehearsal 16:00-20:00
 Institute of Physics Lecture (University of Surrey)
 17:30-21:30
 Fourth Form Parents' Evening (PMH/BB) 18:00-21:30
 Rugby v CLFS: 1st XV (Cobham RFC) 19:00
 Cantata Choir: Rehearsal (RR) 19:45-21:45

11 Th Sixth Form Tropical Ecosystems trip (*departs*) (Belize)
 Girls' Hockey, Surrey IN2 (Reserve Day): U13 (A)
 Netball v Caterham School: U15A&B (A) 14:15
 Swimming v Whitgift/Reeds/Trinity:
 U12, U14, U16, U18 (A) 15:50
 Music: RGS *Unplugged* rehearsals (RR) 16:00-18:00
 Netball v Epsom College: U14AB&C (H) 16:10
 Music: RGS *Unplugged* (RR) 19:30-21:30

12 F **Non School Uniform Day**
 House: Valentine's Day events
 13+ Taster Day 09:30-14:00
 End for Half Term 15:50
Lower School Disco (PMH) 19:00-20:30