Newsletter for Students and Parents

Friday 16th November 2018

Riddlesdown Collegiate



Learners of today, Leaders of tomorrow.

The Principal writes

This week, we returned to the Collegiate on Monday morning to some very unfortunate news. Despite the usual high security, two of our minibuses had been stolen from our site on Sunday night. Our CCTV footage shows a group of individuals climbing over the front gates, tampering with it, gaining access to our minibuses and driving off in what appears to be a premediated, professionally organised operation. We contacted the police immediately and we have since recovered one of the minibuses which had been abandoned about 10 miles away; the other minibus is still missing. We rely on our minibuses to provide transport for students for trips, sports fixtures and other events – losing one makes it more difficult and costly to provide our usual vast number of opportunities. We have been keen to replace our oldest minibus for some time and recent events now make this a priority. Thanks to the generosity that so many parents have shown through contributions to the Parents' Fund, we hope to be able to act on this in the new year. As always, any further donations are gratefully received.

One way in which parents could support the Collegiate financially **but without spending a penny themselves** would be to take advantage of the charitable donation that we could receive from The Giving Machine. The Friends of Riddlesdown Collegiate (FORC) have initiated this fantastic idea and we would be delighted if, especially as we approach Christmas, parents would be so kind as to access any websites they would be making purchases from through our Giving Machine page: https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/riddlesdown-collegiate-266207/. You can access a vast range of websites through this page, including Amazon, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Waitrose, Debenhams, Next, Boots, M&S etc. If you make your online purchases having accessed this page and nominate Riddlesdown Collegiate as your cause, we will receive a small percentage of all sales made, at **no extra cost to the customer!** Imagine how much we could raise if all of our families, staff, local residents and their friends supported us in this way! Thank you, in advance, for your support.

It has been an especially busy week for Year 7 students. They enjoyed an excellent Citizenship Conference on Wednesday facilitated by the PSHEE team and external visitors who worked with students to reflect on their rights and responsibilities. On Thursday, they then heard a talk from the local police about staying safe online – such an important issue for young people, today. And I am grateful to parents of Year 7 students who attended the Parents' Evenings on Tuesday and Thursday – I hope that you found discussions to be useful and that students have been advised well on how they can build on current standards of work.

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations begin next week. By now, students should be very clear about the details of these exams – where they should be, when they should be there, where they should sit, what they should and should not bring etc. If there are any doubts, students should speak to their Tutors on Monday morning. Students have been preparing well and I wish them the best of luck.

Timetable:
Week commencing
Monday 19th November
will be
Timetable Week B

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 20th November

- Y11 PPEs start
- KS3 Riddlesdown Young Musician of the Year Auditions

Thursday 22nd November

KS4/5 Riddlesdown
 Young Musician of the
 Year Auditions

Monday 26th November

 Parents Ski Information Evening

Thursday 29th November

- Y12 Parents Evening
- Y13 Theatre Trip

Friday 30th November

Y12 Hazards Study Day

AQUILA

ORION

PEGASUS

PHOENIX

CPA

COLLEGE VI













Who? Open to all students Years 7 - 13.

Where? You are welcome to work on your design in art during lunch break or in your own time at home.

When? Get started your design ideas now and submit your final piece to student services by Monday 26th November.

Why? The winning entry will have their card printed and also used as the front cover for the Christmas carol service programme.

The strongest entries will also feature in an exhibition in the @RC Gallery

How? Entries should be A4 size and include 'Riddlesdown Collegiate' as part of the design. Choose materials which will showcase your technical skills.

Include your full name, art teacher, tutor and age on the back of your entry.

WORLD **PHOTOGRAPH** ORGANISATION

Free enter for 12-19 https:// to everyone aged www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards/youth

We are looking for the next generation of talented photographers! The Youth competition, for everyone aged 12-19, recognises that a love for photography often starts at a young age. The competition helps young photographers grow

and flourish into the next stages of their careers. Judges are looking for good composition, creativity and clear photography.

2019 Brief: "Diversity"

In one single image show the judges an example of diversity. To be understood in its widest sense, the image of diversity could concern people, culture or environment and could be of a local or global concern. All techniques and styles are welcomed, and judges will particularly reward creativity.

"Becoming the Youth competition winner showed me that my work, my talent, and my visions for the future are respected and appreciated, not just within the local community, but on the global scale. It finally gave me a chance to allow myself to be considered as an artist." - Megan Johnson, 2018 Youth Photographer of the Year

Youth competition winner - Flights and accommodation to awards in London / Sony digital imaging equipment / Included in exhibition at Somerset House, London

Shortlist - Digital exhibition at Somerset House, London

PE fixtures round up

Friday 9th finished off with mixed emotions with the Year 9 football team and Year 7 rugby team in action. The Year 9 football team lost 2-0 in the National Elite Cup after a very tough fixture against Beths Grammar School. There wasn't much difference between both teams but Beths showed great resilience to earn a penalty late on and then added a second as we chased the game. The boys were

disappointed but bounced back the following week with a 2-0 win over Wilsons in The National Cup after an excellent first half. Aron Sasu scored both goals and Josh Burr got man of the match and a solid team win. The Year 7 rugby team took on Wilsons and showed what a solid team they were, running in several tries to dominate from start to finish. As the team rotated, Wilsons came back into the game but Riddlesdown showed strength in depth to hold on to the win. The Year 7 boys then teamed up with the Year 8 boys to take on Warlingham on Thursday in a physical encounter. Once again Riddlesdown



showed great character to seal a solid win, with Bailey Armitage making some excellent tackles. The Year 7 & 8 boys face Dunnotar school this Saturday at home and hope to cap off an excellent week of rugby.



Tuesday saw the Year 8 girls netball teams take on Caterham School in two excellent matches. The A team just lost out in absolute thriller, with the final score being 14-10 to Caterham. The B team made up for this with a 3-0 win. The girls showed their dedication to improve by arriving to school at 7.30am the next day for training to prepare for their next game. This was also a busy day for football as the Year 7 A and Year 8 B teams had National Cup fixtures. The Year 7 team played Brampton Manor at home

and although it wasn't their best performance, were

convincing 4-1 winners to keep their 100% record alive. The highlight of the game was a superb strike from Naquarm Clarke-Douglas. The Year 8 B team travelled to Dartford to take on King Henry School and put on an excellent show to come away with a 3-0 victory. Noah Lock stole the show with a an excellent hat-trick. Man of the match went to Matthew Bugden and a special mention to Ethan Parry on a fantastic penalty save.



The final games of the week will take place today with the Year 8 A team playing St. Joseph's and the Year 11s taking on St. Bonaventure. Both of these ties are National Cup fixtures and we wish them the best of luck.

Next week PPEs will be taking place in the Sports Hall and this means there will be no lunchtime or after school basketball, handball or badminton clubs. There is still lots going on, so come along and try other clubs if you fancy getting active. We have lots of new sports fixtures coming up soon, with basketball, handball, badminton and girls' cricket in the diary. I will also be advertising the Year 7 swimming trials which will take place in December.

Labores Ludorum

Riddlesdown Collegiate's Inter College competition starts off next week, with students competing in netball and handball. Tutor Groups from Phoenix and Pegasus will take each other on, as will Orion and Aquila. The winning Tutor Group from each half of the year group will face one another in a final in two weeks time, to see which overall College will win netball and football. These will take place during PE lessons, with the girls on the courts and the boys on the Astro. Following on from netball and football, students will later compete in five other sports which include, basketball, handball, rounders, softball and then Sports Day. All points will be accumulated and go towards the prestigious 'Labores Ludorum' trophy, which will be presented on Sports day. Last Year's winners Pegasus will be looking to defend their title and keep the trophy in Mr Harkness' office!

Mr Langan

Wizard of Oz Art Competition

- Most of the settings for the Wizard of Oz will be big projections on the screen at the back of the stage
- We would like students to design these backdrops
- Your entry should be A3 size and must be handed in to Student Services <u>BEFORE</u> the end of term on 21st December
- The best entries from each category will be displayed in the foyer and the winners will be used for each scene in the show

Ski Course April 2020

There are still a few places left on the 2020 Ski Course in **Axamer Lizum, Austria.** Letters and Power Point can be found on the website under

Parents / Letters and Documents

If your child is interested please can the reply slip be returned to Student Services by **Friday 23rd November 2018.** We will inform you within a week if your child has been successful at gaining a place on the trip.

Mrs Langan & Miss Baker

Riddlesdown Collegiate Sports Fixtures 19th - 23th November

Monday 19th

Netball: Year 9 A & B v Warlingham @ home 4pm start

Tuesday 20th

Netball: Year 10 A & B v Warlingham away 3.45pm start

Football: Year 7B v St. Josephs @ home 2.30 KO

Football: Year 10B v Quest away 4pm start Rugby: Year 8 v Wilsons @ home 3pm start

Wednesday 21st

Netball: Year 8 A & B v Caterham away 3.30pm start

Football: Year 7 Girls v Stanley Park @ home 2.30pm start

Thursday 22nd

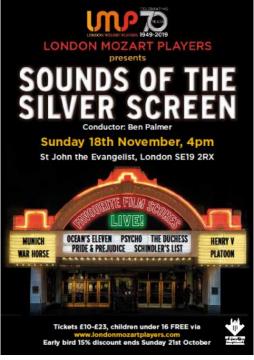
Rugby: Year 7 v Warlingham away 3.30 start



Students should prepare a short song to sing if they wish to audition. Those in Junior Choir who wish to audition should come to Junior Choir as normal during PDT. They will then be given a time slot.

Miss Pochin





Love in a Box

Boxes should have been handed in by 5.00 pm today but any late boxes can be delivered to the Library first thing on Monday morning as the van collection is at 11.30 am.

Please share your "Love in a Box" this Christmas - all we ask is that with your Shoebox donation you include £2.00 which makes it possible to transport and deliver your Love in a Box. Please list the contents which may include some of the following:

Gifts (suitable for teenagers as Gloves/Scarf/Hats Geometry Set Felt Pens well) Socks and tights

Hair Slides Sweets (not chocolate) Colour Books/Crayons Soap/Flannel **Small Toys** Puzzle/Ball/Yoyo/ Toy Cars

Toothbrush/Paste Small Teddy Bear Balloons

Brush/Comb Notebook A Christmas Card Pens/Pencils **Toiletries** Other Items

As your box may need to be opened by customs, please wrap both lid and box separately and close with rubber bands.

Mrs Woodworth



Careers Fair

On 8th November Riddlesdown Collegiate and Woodcote jointly hosted our annual Careers Fair. The event was supported by over 40 companies with break out sessions on apprenticeships, interview skills and careers in the oil and gas industries. The event attracted hundreds of students and their parents who were able to find out more about further and higher education, apprenticeships and jobs in a range of different sectors. We hope that the evening was helpful for all those who attended.

Miss Knox





Year 7 Silver Smarties Fundraising Challenge

Year 7 are being set a fabulous fundraising challenge by FORC! On Friday 23rd November every Year 7 student will be given a free tube of Smarties!! The easy bit (and treat) is to eat the contents of the tube but then their super challenge is to refill the tube with 20p pieces donated from family and friends. Every 20p will go directly to buy new sports equipment for the students. They have two weeks to complete the task with the tutor group raising the most, winning a pizza party! The 'Silver Smarties' should be returned to Students Services with your tutor group clearly marked on the tube any time up until Friday 7th December. Go Year 7 Go!!!



Miss Ward

The Wizard of Oz – REHEASAL SCHEDULE <u>w/c 19th November</u>

DAY	Staff	LUNCHTIME 12.20 – 1.00 (unless other- wise stated)	PDT time Tuesday/Thursday	AFTER SCHOOL 15.30 Tuesday, Thursday. 14.40 Wednesday, Friday (check individual days for finish times)
MONDAY 19/11				
TUESDAY 20/11	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA
	SIP		Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Crows, Tinman, Trees, Witch (recap p34-47: Abbie to run session in C09)	Dorothy (over the rainbow) Finish 4.30pm
	PAG			
	WLR			Scarecrow (vocal work) Finish 4.30pm
WEDNESDAY 21/11	SIP			Tinman (vocal work) Finish 4pm
	PAG			Dorothy, Glinda, Munchkins in HALL Finish 4pm
THURSDAY	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA
	SIP			Dorothy, Tinman, Scarecrow, Guard, Oz (65-70 without Lion who's in a singing rehearsal) HALL Finish 4.45pm
	PAG			With SIP
	WLR			Lion (vocal work) Finish 4.45pm
	AMC /FTD			
FRIDAY 23/11	TKW			ORCHESTRA
	SIP			Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Tinman, All Jitterbugs in HALL Finish 5pm
	PAG			With SIP
	WLR			Guard (Merry old land of Oz) until 3.30pm

The Wizard of Oz – REHEASAL SCHEDULE w/c 26th November

DAY	Staff	LUNCHTIME 12.20 – 1.00 (unless other- wise stated)	PDT time Tuesday/Thursday	AFTER SCHOOL 15.30 Tuesday, Thursday. 14.40 Wednesday, Friday (check individual days for finish times)
MONDAY 26/11				
TUESDAY 27/11	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA
	SIP		Dorothy, Scarecrow, Lion, Tinman, Guard (read through p56- 66). Year 11s, please join after your exam is finished.	Dorothy, Scarecrow, Lion, Tinman, Guard (p56-66) HALL Finish 5pm
	PAG			With SIP
	WLR			Whole Cast (Merry Old Land of Oz, tutti parts + recap all other chorus numbers). Finish 4.45pm
WEDNESDAY 28/11	SIP			Dorothy, Scarecrow, Lion, Tinman, Guard ([56-66) HALL Finish 4pm
	PAG			Finish 4pm
THURSDAY 29/11	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA
	SIP		Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tinman, Lion (read through Act 1, sc12- 13)	Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tinman, Lion, Witch, Glinda (Act 1 sc12-13) Finish 5pm
	PAG			With SIP
	WLR			Glinda (you're out of the woods) à return to SIP rehearsal when finished with
	AMC/ FTD			Crows Dance Until 4.30pm
FRIDAY 30/11	TKW			ORCHESTRA
	SIP			Whole Cast (Act 2 sc2) HALL Finish 5pm
	PAG/ WLR			With SIP