

# Riddlesdown Collegiate



**Learners of today, Leaders of tomorrow.**

## **The Principal writes .....**

I must begin by congratulating the students and staff involved in last night's Christmas Concert and the five College Carol Services earlier in the week. The time and effort that have been dedicated to these performances have been incredible and these events have provided great opportunities for our community to unite, to celebrate, to enjoy and to appreciate all that we have together. It was particularly pleasing to see the number of younger students who have been involved and how older students are both encouraging and inspiring them. Thank you and well done to all involved. Thank you also to everyone who came to support in the audience and the very generous donations that were made which will go towards two causes: CRISIS and The Riddlesdown Instrument Fund.

Whilst enjoying the festivities, students have continued working hard in lessons right up to the end of term. I would particularly commend Year 11 students for their commitment to getting the most out of every lesson, following their PPE results last week. Students have been focussed on reviewing their exam papers and identifying where and how they can improve their performance. Their teachers are looking forward to meeting with them and their parents at Year 11 Parents' Evening on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

I would also like to congratulate Year 7 students for an excellent first term at the Collegiate. They have settled in very well and are making the most of the many opportunities they have here. I hope to see them continue to grow, learn and achieve success in the years to come.

Finally, I would like to wish all students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope that everyone has a very restful and peaceful break and I am looking forward to seeing everyone back in 2019, ready for another excellent year. The Collegiate will be closed after today and term will start on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019; students should return at 10.30am and go directly to Tutor Rooms before lessons begin Period 3. It will be Week A.

Best wishes,



**Timetable:  
Week commencing  
Monday 7th January  
will be  
Timetable Week A**

- Monday 7th January 2019**
- Return for Spring Term  
10.30 am start
  - Year 9 Exams (Options)
- Tuesday 8th January**
- Y11 Parents evening
- Thursday 10th January**
- Y11/13 GCSE / A Level  
Theatre Trip



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## Christmas Chess Tournament

Rocco Martinez Paoli 9HMB has won the annual Christmas Chess Tournament for the second year running. Ange de Jong 9RME was runner up. Congratulations to them both and well done to all students who took part.



Chess is a very popular game in the library and played every day, before school, at break, lunch and after school.

If you would like to have a game or learn how to play, please come and let us know.

Mrs Woodworth

## Social Media

- With the festive season around the corner, your child's Social Media usage may increase.
- Social Media has become a key element of society, when used correctly it has enormous benefits.
- However, it also poses a number of potential risks to its users.

With Social Media's potential risks, **it is advisable to do the following:**

- Familiarise yourself with the Social Media sites they use regularly (Facebook/ Instagram/ Snapchat/ Twitter/ Kik/ YUBO).
- Discuss with your child the way they communicate through the use of Snapchat/ WhatsApp/ FaceTime.
- Ask your child, do they know the risks attached to misuse of Social Media and what to do if they are concerned about something they come across.

Do you know how your child uses Social Media?

Do you know who they communicate with? Or what they access?

1 in 3 internet users are children



Source: Livingstone, S., Carr, J. and Byrne, J. (2015) One in three: internet governance and children's rights (PDF). Ontario: Centre for International Governance Innovation.

1 in 4 children have experienced something upsetting on a social networking site.



**Sexting** – sending explicit images/ messages through Social Media and smart phones

Students are regularly reminded about their digital footprint – and reminded of the fact **“what is posted online will stay online”**. Please spend some time reminding your child about the potential implications of posting something online.

The following websites provide more advice:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/sexting>

**SEXTING CONCERNS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE POLICE ON 101**

## The **Zipit** App

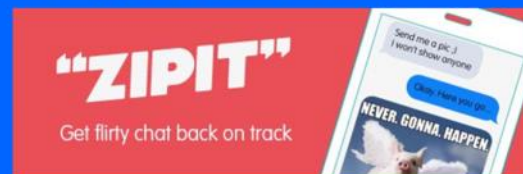
The **Zipit** App has been created by Childline to support young people with managing the pressures of having to send inappropriate images.

It also allows young people to contact Childline directly if they are concerned about something they are asked for or see.

Download free in the App Store

## How can I Protect Myself?

- If you're being pressured to send photos or videos then inform an adult.
- There are App's such as Zipit



Zipit is a free app that allows you to send safe images, and has a library of humorous images you can send in response to being asked for inappropriate images of yourself. Reducing the influence of peer pressure.

Learning Resources - Stationery  
 Open at Break and Lunch  
 Monday – Thursday, Entrance via the Library



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| Large Clear Pencil Case - Empty                  | £1.00  |
| Small Clear Pencil Case – Empty                  | £1.00  |
| Large Filled Clear Pencil Case                   | £4.20  |
| Small Filled Clear Pencil Case                   | £4.10  |
| Scientific Calculator                            | £10.00 |
| Protractor                                       | £0.40  |
| Tippex   | £1.00  |
| Biro – All Colours                               | £0.10  |
| Edding Fineliner 0.4mm – DT Lessons              | £1.00  |
| Gel Pens – Red, Blue, Black                      | £1.00  |
| 4 Way Click Pen                                  | £1.20  |
| Colouring Pencils x 12                           | £2.50  |
| Berol Broad Assorted Felt Tips x 12 – DT Lessons | £6.00  |
| Berol Fine Assorted Felt Tips x 12               | £6.00  |
| HB Pencil  | £0.10  |
| Eraser   | £0.23  |
| Helix Maths Set                                  | £3.58  |
| Revision Cards - White (100)                     | £2.65  |
| Revision Cards – Assorted Colours (100)          | £2.65  |
| Post Its   | £0.60  |
| 12” Ruler  | £0.50  |
| 6” Ruler   | £0.36  |
| Highlighter                                      | £0.53  |
| Pencil Sharpener                                 | £0.29  |
| Compass  | £1.20  |
| A4 2 Ring Folder                                 | £1.70  |
| A4 2 Ring Lever Arch File                        | £2.30  |
| A4 Assorted 5 File Dividers                      | £1.00  |
| A4 Pukka Pad – 200 Pages                         | £3.50  |
| 40G Glue Stick                                   | £0.70  |
| A4 80GSM Colour Paper – Per Sheet                | £0.04  |
| A4 160GSM Colour Card – Per Sheet                | £0.06  |
| A3 80GSM Colour Paper – Per Sheet                | £0.12  |
| A4 Photocopying – Black & White                  | £0.10  |
| A3 Photocopying – Black & White                  | £0.20  |
| A4 Laminating – Per Sheet                        | £0.15  |
| A3 Laminating – Per Sheet                        | £0.30  |

**Happy  
New Year!**