

**WELCOME
BACK!**

Riddlesdown Collegiate



Learners of today, Leaders of tomorrow.

Timetable:

**Week commencing Monday
12 September will be
Timetable Week B**

The Principal writes

I hope that everyone has had a very enjoyable first week back. It has been great to see students returning to the Collegiate, keen, smart and ready for another successful year ahead. In particular, we have enjoyed welcoming our new Year 7 students, new students joining us in College VI and new members of staff (listed in my letter earlier this week). I am sure that all will settle in very quickly and soon feel part of our community. In assemblies this week, as well as using inspiring stories from the Rio Olympics as examples of our VALUES in action, I also reminded students of our keys to success:

Partnership – we achieve far more together than alone and so we should always build and value our partnerships with others

Progress – the most important thing in terms of progress is to be better than you were yesterday; small steps in the right direction every day will lead to huge long-term success

Preparation – the main purpose of coming to school is to prepare for a bright and exciting future, so take every opportunity to learn, grow and develop every day

In addition to these messages, Mrs Williams, Deputy Principal, has separately written to parents today with some reminders of our routines and expectations. By taking on board this advice, students will be well-placed for further success in the coming weeks and months.

After the first day of term, Year 11 students began their Work Experience placements and I am pleased to have already received some positive feedback on how they are getting on. Students have found placements or been placed in a wide variety of settings and, irrespective of whether or not their placement relates to a potential career that they would choose, there is much to be learnt and experienced in every placement. I hope that Year 11 students are enjoying the experience and I look forward to hearing from them when they return to the Collegiate on 19th September.

Over the summer break, it has been busy at the Collegiate. Two groups of students participated in World Challenge expeditions to India (article to follow next week), whilst back on the site, a number of developments have taken place. Alongside the usual refurbishments and replacement of some furniture and fixtures, there have been two particular projects. The first is the installation of a new lift for College VI; this work is still in progress and the next stage should be completed by half term. Secondly, we have established a new Student Services Reception, adjacent to the Main Reception. This will provide a central point outside of a student's College for anything that they might need, e.g. signing in/out, medical, information on trips and activities etc.

Together with the successes we have seen in public examinations this summer (details previously posted on our website), the Collegiate is now ready and set for the year ahead. I am very much looking forward to it.

Message from the CEO of The Collegiate Trust

I would like to add my welcome back to those given by the Principal and College Heads, and to say congratulations to the students and staff who delivered another fantastic set of examination results in the summer.

The term starts with everyone associated with Riddlesdown Collegiate focused on building on last year's outstanding OFSTED judgement, determined to demonstrate why this is such a special place to learn and grow.

I know that Mr Dey and his team will deliver exceptional learning for all of our students in the year ahead and the Board of Directors and I will give wholehearted support to him, the Local Governing Body, the wider team, students and families.

The Collegiate Trust continues to develop and we are excited that on 1st November Gossops Green Primary School in Crawley will formally join us. I am also in discussion with a number of local schools who are considering doing the same and gaining the benefits of a really exciting partnership. I look forward to updating you on this as the year progresses.

I am delighted to announce that one of the developments we are currently considering is a new, 2-form entry primary school which could be located on or very close to the Riddlesdown Collegiate site. Croydon Council needs 60 additional places for Reception and beyond, beginning in September 2018, and The Collegiate Trust is the perfect partner to achieve this. Of course we need to consult with you on this and further information will be available on our Trust website www.tct-academies.org by Wednesday 14th September when you will have the opportunity to tell us what you think.

AQUILA

ORION

PEGASUS

PHOENIX

CPA

COLLEGE VI



Learning Resources

From this term onward learning resources will be available for students to purchase from Reprographics (via the entrance in the Library) - open Monday to Thursday during break and lunch time.

Students will be able to purchase clear filled pencil cases in two sizes, pens, pencils, maths sets, revision cards and other stationery supplies and will be able to order other stationery giving a weeks' notice. The pencil cases will consist of: large/small ruler, pencil, pencil sharpener, eraser, post-its, protractor, green, red, blue and black pens.

Price List

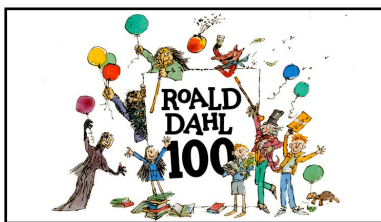
Large Filled Clear Pencil Case	£4.20
Small Filled Clear Pencil Case	£4.10
4 Way Click Pen	£1.20
Scientific Calculator	£10.00
Protractor	£0.40
Pens – All Colours	£0.10
HB Pencil	£0.10
Eraser	£0.23
Helix Maths Set	£3.58
Revision Cards (100)	£2.65

Roald Dahl Day 2016

2016 marks 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl – the world's number one storyteller. Roald Dahl's birthday is September 13th and is always celebrated.

Join us in the library on September 13th for a fun filled day of activities. We will have a scrummdiddlyumptious time.

Mrs Woodworth
Collegiate Librarian



The Duke of Edinburgh Award

Year 11 DofE Silver assessed expedition is from Friday 30th September to Sunday 2nd October 2016.

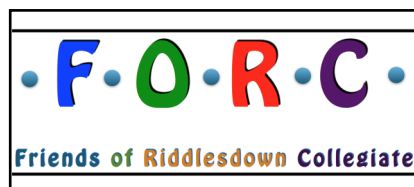
An important reminder completed route cards and maps need to be returned to Mrs White who is now based in Student Services office by Wednesday 21st September.

Mrs White



Friends of Riddlesdown Collegiate Meeting

FORC meeting on Monday 12th September at 6.30pm. Please meet in reception. We will be discussing upcoming events. Everyone is welcome to join and the more people the better.



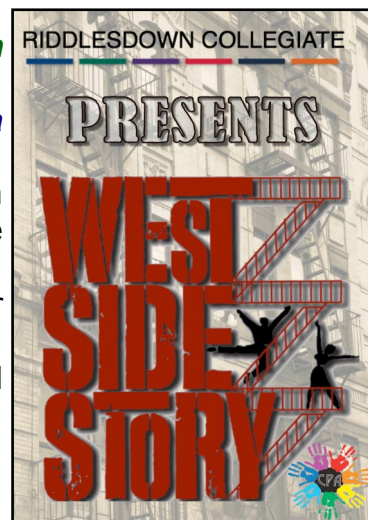
West Side Story Auditions

This year's production is West Side Story. We are looking for singers, actors and dancers. You do not have to be good at all three. We really need some great male and female actors to come forward.

This is an exciting opportunity for those of you who have never been in a Riddlesdown production before. The plot of West side story is based on Romeo and Juliet and is set in 1950's New York. We have two gangs, the Sharks (Puerto Rican) and the Jets (Brooklyn), they despise each other. There is a love story that blossoms in the midst of the gang violence between the Sharks and the Jets.

- **Year 7:** Monday 12th September **Phoenix** and **Orion** 1.00pm - 1.30pm;
- **Year 7:** Tuesday 13th September **Pegasus** and **Aquila** 1.00pm - 1.30pm;
- **College VI:** Friday 9th 1.00 - 1.30pm you will be given extracts of the script and or songs to look at over the weekend;
- **Year 7- 10:** Recalls auditions - Tuesday 13th September 4.30pm-5.00pm;
- **College VI** Recalls auditions - Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th September 12.45pm - 1.30pm.

All auditions will take place in the Theatre in the @RC



Forthcoming Events

September 12th

Deputy Principal's Assemblies Aquila & Pegasus

September 13th

Deputy Principal's Assemblies Orion & Phoenix

September 14th

College VI Assemblies

September 15th

College Assemblies Aquila & Pegasus

Science College Assembly Aquila & Pegasus

Celebration Evening 7-8.30pm Main Hall

September 16th

College Assemblies Orion & Phoenix

Science College Assembly Orion & Phoenix

Year 11 Work experience ends

Science College Calendar

Please come to the Science College office to collect a Consent form for our STEM Clubs and Conservation Days.

September 13th

STEM Club - Year 8 & Year 9 – Fractals - X06 – Mr King

September 14th

STEM Club - Year 7 – Code Breaking - X06 – Mr King

Senior STEM Club – UK SDC Competition – S35 – Mr Fitt

Primary School Teaching commences on Tuesday 27th September – Rockets – Monks Orchard

Please Like our Riddlesdown Science College [Facebook Page](#)



Riddlesdown Collegiate



Academic Year	2016/2017	Provisional Dates 2017/2018
Start of Autumn Term	Monday 5 th September 2016	Monday 4 th September 2017
Half Term Holiday	Monday 24 th October 2016 – Friday 4 th November 2016	Monday 23 rd October 2017 – Friday 3 rd November 2017
End of Autumn Term	Tuesday 20 th December 2016	Wednesday 20 th December 2017
Christmas Holiday	Wednesday 21 st December 2016 – Tuesday 3 rd January 2017	Thursday 21 st December – Tuesday 2 nd January 2018
Start of Spring Term	Wednesday 4 th January 2017	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018
Half Term Holiday	Monday 13 th February 2017 - Friday 17 th February 2017	Monday 12 th February 2018 – Friday 16 th February 2018
End of Spring Term	Friday 7 th April 2017	Thursday 29 th March 2018
Easter Holiday	Monday 10 th April 2017 – Friday 21 st April 2017	Friday 30 th March 2018 – Friday 13 th April 2018
Start of Summer Term	Monday 24 th April 2017	Monday 16 th April 2018
May Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May 2017	Monday 7 th May 2018
Half Term Holiday	Monday 29 th May 2017 – Friday 2 nd June 2017	Monday 28 th May 2018 – Friday 1 st June 2018
End of Summer Term	Friday 21 st July 2017	Friday 20 th July 2018
Summer Holiday	Monday 24 th July 2017 – Friday 1 st September 2017	Monday 23 rd July 2018 – Friday 31 st August 2018

Holidays for students will not be authorised in term time.

***These term dates take account of nationally planned Bank Holidays.
Any changes to these by the Government will result in amendments.***