



Jo Driscoll, Director of Wellbeing and Mental Health (centre), with Staff Wellbeing Mentors Penny Thompson (left) and Claire Hassan (right).

Welcome to another edition of On Route, our in-house newsletter that's designed to give current and prospective students and their families an overview of what's been happening across the College campus.

The Autumn Term saw a record number of students receiving Oxbridge interviews (28 at the time of going to print), with a further 18 of our Upper Sixth MVD students (Medics, Vets and Dentists) waiting to hear when their interviews will be.

January marks the final stage of our 18-month building project that has resulted in us gaining two fabulous facilities – a two-storey university-style Independent Learning Centre and a brilliant, two storey Refectory, which includes some fantastic space for students to socialise in (see page 2).

As a College, we put great emphasis on the wellbeing of our students. Last term saw the introduction of some new Wellbeing initiatives, led by Jo Driscoll, our Director (Mental Health and Wellbeing), ably supported by our staff and student Wellbeing Mentors. These include:

- **Morning Hub.** An open house for students to meet before the start of the College day, grab a drink and biscuit and discuss any issues or concerns they may have with duty staff and Student Mentors.
- **Mental Health and Wellbeing Webinars for Parents.** Events hosted

via Zoom, as a means for us to share some of the tips and approaches we've learnt or developed to help support students.

- **Anxiety Workshop for Students.**

Face-to-face events for students to help them develop strategies for managing their anxiety.

We are once again running a series of Applicants' Events (both virtual and face-to-face), aimed at students who will be starting at the College in September 2023 (see www.reigate.ac.uk/applicantevents). Details of these are released as the academic year progresses and invitations will be sent to anyone fulfilling the relevant criteria. We are planning to run 15 events in total, including Summer Schools for Music and Performing Arts.

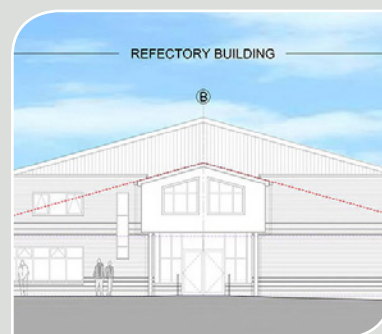
The Spring Term is an extremely busy one for our Performing Arts Department and we look forward to welcoming as many people as possible to our Cross-College Productions: Grease and The Government Inspector, our Spring Concert and now legendary Battle of the Bands. See page 12 for more information.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in the College community a happy and fulfilling 2023.

Nick Clark

Nick Clark, Principal

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Out and about

The College's busy programme of trips and visits is up-and-running again, with 36 organised trips taking place this term alone – including theatre trips to see *The Phantom of the Opera* and *Life of Pi*, Art and Design visits to the National and Tate galleries, and Film and Media visits to the Harry Potter Studios to name but a few!



Classics residential to Bath and Caerleon



Politics students visit the Houses of Parliament

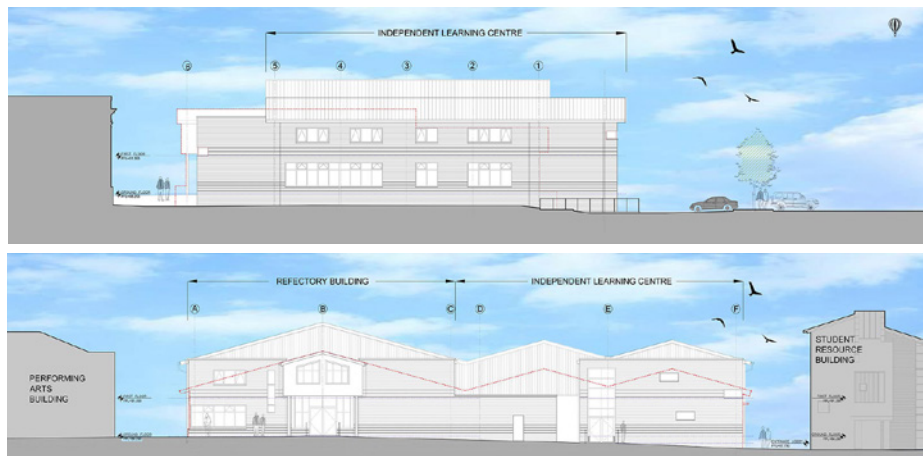


Sports trip to Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Club

International trips on the horizon include Athens (Classics), Berlin and Paris (History) and New York (Visual Arts and Film & Media).

Our thanks to Theresa Jarvis and Louisa Farrant for organising this term's trips and visits and all those planned for the Spring and Summer Terms.

Building work update



East and South elevations

January sees the culmination of an 18 month, £3.5 million building project at the College.

The work has consisted of two separate phases:

- Phase 1: A state-of-the-art, two storey, university-style Independent Learning Centre (ILC), that can accommodate up to 350 students.
- Phase 2: A two-storey Refectory that will include a small servery on the first floor, as well as improved facilities on the ground floor.

Phase 2 was completed just before Christmas, with both floors being fully equipped and furnished ready for the start of term in January.

From early January the builders are re-focusing their attention on the ground floor of the ILC, which has been used as a temporary Refectory, kitting it out with all the equipment necessary to function

as a silent study space. This work will be completed by the end of January.

Director of Estates and IT Garry Holmes, explained, "The last 18 months have made for some very challenging working conditions for our catering staff, but they've continued to provide our students and staff with a top class, affordable service and we're very grateful for the way they've managed to do this."

"Stanton Construction took on this project in what has been an incredibly testing time. Extreme rising costs, delays in being able to obtain materials and labour shortages have made it remarkably challenging, yet somehow the project has been completed pretty much on schedule, which is an amazing feat. The Senior Leadership Team at the College is extremely grateful for Stanton Construction's efforts in achieving this."



Results roundup 2022

Reigate College's results bucked the national trend in July, with our results showing an improvement against the previous year, making them our best results ever.

Despite the proportion of high grades (A* to B) falling nationally to 63%, Reigate College's high grades increased to 68.1% for A Levels and 71.56% for BTEC Level 3s.

- 124 students achieved three or more A* or A grades at A Level
- 20 students achieved four or more A* or A grades at A Level
- 35% of entries were awarded an A or A* at A Level
- Nearly a quarter of all Level 3 BTEC grades were awarded a Distinction* (equivalent to A* at A Level)
- 9 students secured places at either Oxford or Cambridge

- Thomas Burke, received the highest results in the country for both A Level Chemistry and Physics (Salters)

Principal Nick Clark, said, "We were absolutely delighted with these results. They demonstrate not only how hard both our students and staff worked, over the previous two years, to help mitigate the impact of Covid, they also validate our staff's professional judgement when it comes to results (given that for the two previous years, students received Teacher Assessed Grades).

As these were the first public exams for this cohort, this year's Results Day was undoubtedly more nerve-racking than usual, for students and parents alike. My staff and I were extremely happy to see that the vast majority of students secured their first choice or insurance places at university."

Here are just a few examples of some of the destinations of last year's leavers.



Luke Jetten

Previous School: Oasis Academy, Coulsdon

Subjects: Maths, Computer Science, Economics

Principal's Award: Computer Science

Destination: JP Morgan Digital Tech Solutions, Sponsored Degree Programme



Zoe Cordner

Previous School: Carrington

Subjects: Economics, Geography, Psychology

Principal's Award: Economics

Destination: Environment and Development, London School of Economics



Kieran Foster

Previous School: Woodcote

Subjects: Maths, Physics, Engineering (BTEC)

Principal's Award: Engineering

Destination: Automotive Engineering with Electric Vehicles, Oxford Brookes



Lucy Woolford

Previous School: St. Bede's

Subjects: English Literature, History, Classics

Principal's Award: Classics

Destination: Classical Studies, Exeter



Jamie Rodd

Previous School: Oakwood

Subjects: Economics, Maths, Further Maths, Physics

Principal's Award: Economics

Destination: Economics, London School of Economics



Emily Taylor

Previous School: Dunottar

Subjects: History, French, Spanish

Principal's Award: Spanish

Destination: Modern European Studies, Nottingham



Michael Brooks-Mason

Previous School: Royal Alexandra & Albert

Subjects: Sociology, Law (BTEC), Criminology (Eduqas)

Principal's Award: Law

Destination: Law, Kent



Binal Chudasama

Previous School: Reigate

Subjects: Law (BTEC), Criminology (Eduqas), Media

Principal's Award: Criminology

Destination: Law, Chichester



Samuel Vellacott

Previous School: de Stafford

Subjects: English Literature, Geography, Music

Principal's Award: EPQ

Destination: Primary Education, Durham



Madison Wooding

Previous School: Priory CofE

Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Psychology

Principal's Award: Biology

Destination: Biology, Exeter University

Aspire Programme update

Oxbridge news

A record 52 students in this year's Upper Sixth are on the College's Oxbridge Pathway.

At the time of going to print 28 of these 52 students have so far been invited for interview. This year's cohort follows in the footsteps of the nine students who gained places at either Oxford or Cambridge last year:

Oxford:

Édua Borbély (Queen's: PPE)
Isabelle Haywood (Christ Church: PPE)
Lincoln Hewitt (Magdalen: Law)
Asma Issa (Christ Church: English)
Alice Northover (Magdalen: Classics II).

Cambridge:

Yosef Abdelhalim (Corpus Christi: Law)
Gemma Heathcote (Peterhouse: Classics)
Martha Shaylor (Downing: HSPS)
Tabitha Wren (Peterhouse: ASNC).

Ellen Walkinshaw, Associate Director of Progression at the College, who also heads the College's Aspire Programme said, "It was great last year to see that within the group of nine, there were several 'first generation' university students and students who met other widening participation criteria."



Oxbridge hopefuls Joe Wright (left) and Fianna Buckley Sidey (right) with Ellen Walkinshaw

Outreach and Widening Participation Programmes



- On Friday 15 July, nine Lower Sixth Aspire students visited Churchill College at Cambridge University.

The trip included a tour, talk about the application process and Q and A with a panel of students. Ellen Walkinshaw, Associate Director for Progression explained, "Churchill College is the College's link College at Cambridge and it's extremely beneficial to have such a close relationship with the university."



- On 23 September, over forty Upper Sixth students (most of whom will be the first generation in their family to go to university), attended a College-organised visit to Portsmouth University, to help give them an insight into university life.

The day trip included a student led tour of the campus and sessions on: Personal Statements, Student Finance and Transitioning to University.

Medics, Vets and Dentists (MVD) update



This year's Upper Sixth MVD Pathway students. Back row from left to right: Marcus Barfield (Vet), Lauren Baur, Marika Abbink, Yasin Ahmed, Ella Patey, Blanka Marton, Daniel Greenhalgh, Freya Searle, Isabel Leo, Ella Stock, Aimee Diplacito (Vet). Front row left to right: Anna Craddock, Tom Dickman, Sam Murphy, Khushee Patel, Susannah Wallbank, Rachel Fearon. Finty Harrison not photographed.

The College's MVD Programme offers aspiring Medics, Vets and Dentists a comprehensive schedule of talks, workshops and events designed to offer guidance and support to help them secure places on these most competitive of courses. There are currently 18 students

in the Upper Sixth on the MVD Pathway and 23 in the Lower Sixth. Of the 18 Uppers, 16 are hoping to study Medicine and two Vet Science. These students are now attending interviews and we wish them all well. See some example profiles:



Khushee Patel

Previous School: St. Bede's

Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Maths

Future Plans: Medicine, UCL or Cardiff



Aimee Diplacito

Previous School: Sutton High School

Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, History

Future Plans: Veterinary Science Central Lancashire or Bristol



Tom Dickman

Previous School: The Ashcombe

Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Maths

Future Plans: Medicine, Exeter or Bristol



Sam Murphy

Previous School: de Stafford

Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Maths

Future Plans: Medicine, Southampton or Brighton

Last year's MVD success stories included:

Alessio Anah, Medical Physiology and Therapeutics, Nottingham University

Adam Chatfield, Veterinary Medicine, University of Surrey

Lauren Hetherington, Veterinary Medicine, University of Bristol or University of Surrey

Kirsten Price, Veterinary Medicine, University of Bristol

Hope Stevens, Medicine, Nottingham University

Ailise Taylor, Bio Veterinary Science, Royal Veterinary College (University of London)

Two of last year's leavers are applying for places to start in September 2023: Rebecca Frampton for Dentistry and Alisha Mould for Medicine.

Thomas Burke awarded national prize for Chemistry and Physics

Congratulations to last year's leaver Thomas Burke who has been recognised by the Salters' Institute as one of the top Chemistry and Physics A Level students in the UK. Thomas was invited to attend the Annual Award Ceremony at Salters' Hall on 2 December where he received a certificate and cheque, as part of the celebration of his incredible achievements.

The Salters' Institute specialises in the promotion of Chemical Sciences within education, and part of their outreach is recognising excellence within A Level winners throughout the UK, through their A Level Award.

EPQ success

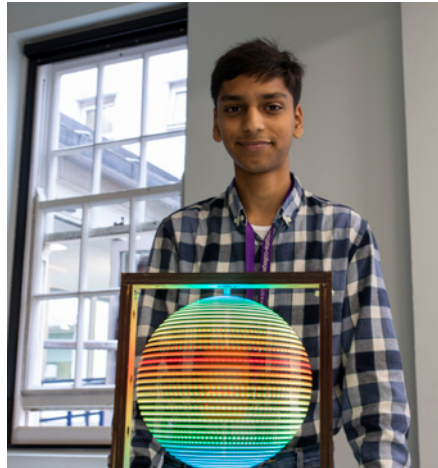
Students on the College's Aspire Programme are invited to do an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), as an additional qualification, from the beginning of their Lower Sixth.

The EPQ gives students the opportunity to explore an area of specific interest to them (as an extended essay, artefact or field study), that's maybe only loosely connected to their A Level (or equivalent) courses.

The only requirement is that they select an area they are passionate about, as the qualification requires working independently, in much the same way as is expected at university.

250 students were entered for an EPQ in the academic year 2021-2 and through it, were able to deepen their knowledge of an area of personal interest and develop vital independent research skills.

For 2022 leavers, 176 achieved an A*- A for their EPQ, and by doing so, many received better university offers.



Kiran Patel

Previous School: Glyn

Subjects: Maths, Physics, Computer Science

Future Plans: Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Southampton or Bristol

EPQ Title: "Determining the efficacy of increasing the power output of solar panels on commercial 'solar farm' installations using the Seebeck Effect."

Kiran produced an experiment which included a prototype for an ingenious solar panel rig that converts wasted, excess heat, to useful electrical energy.



Finlay Garrett

Previous School: Reigate

Subjects: English Literature, History, Classics

Future Plans: English Literature, Cambridge or Exeter

EPQ Title: "Can it be argued that George Orwell's works of literature were more influenced by his personal life experiences, or by global events of the time?"

Finlay debated what was a bigger influence behind Orwell's fiction novels, his biographical context or the historical/political context of his time.



Maddy Carlier

Previous School: The Ashcombe

Subjects: English Literature, Classics, French

Future Plans: English Literature, Durham or York

EPQ Title: "Sappho's sexuality is unimportant to the reception of her work. Discuss."

Maddy's EPQ reviews the work of Sappho's literature through time and her influence on queer communities.



Joe Wright

Previous School: Carrington

Subjects: Politics, Economics, Maths

Future Plans: Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Oxford or Economics and Politics, Durham

EPQ Title: "To what extent was the AIDS crisis preventable?"

Joe's project explored the impact of discrimination, lacking medical technology and political policy on the outcome of the AIDS crisis.



Maia Miller-Forkin

Previous School: Royal Russell

Subjects: English Language & Literature, Psychology, Media

Future Plans: Psychology, Southampton or Bristol

EPQ Title: "Does the process of acting, the lifestyle of actors, or their creative personality explain the detriment to a professional actor's mental health?"

Maia looked at the stereotypes found in the creative industries and creative personalities within the acting profession and their link to mental health.

Alumni turnaround stories

The College's Intermediate Programme is open to selected students who missed out on gaining five grade 4s or above at GCSE – the minimum entry requirement for a Level 3 (A Level or equivalent) programme.

Here, On Route talks to two former students who used their Intermediate year as a way of turning things around and putting themselves on pathways to success.



Ian Kugler with Greta Thunberg taken on a trip to meet advisers to the Swedish Government, Stockholm in 2019

Ian Kugler

Reigate College: 2009 - 2012

Previous School: de Stafford

Subjects: Travel & Tourism (BTEC), Business (BTEC), Politics (A Level)

Higher Education: BA (Hons), Politics, University of Surrey

Currently: Assistant Director, Home Office and advocate for Dyslexia

Ian Kugler did an extra 'Intermediate' year at Reigate College, re-taking some of his GCSEs, while also doing some BTEC Level 2s. He went on to qualify for a Level 3 (A Level or equivalent) programme at the College and in 2016 graduated with a BA in Politics from the University of Surrey.

He speaks candidly to On Route:

"I joined Reigate College having under-achieved academically, due to personal issues and left in a very good place both personally and academically.

I look back at my time at the College as my favourite period in education. I loved the place and the people. The memories will live with me forever. 'Togetherness', 'family' and 'care' are three words I

associate with the College. The Students' Union, teachers and fellow students helped give me a rounded experience and the very best preparation for university.

I've held a number of roles in Government since joining six years ago, from Strategic and Organisational Planning for the Department for Education, to advising the Prime Minister and Government on the best approaches for designing quality homes fit for a sustainable future. I'm currently focusing on national security as an Assistant Director at the Home Office."

When asked what advice Ian would give students thinking about a career in Politics he said, "Work experience is so important. It's so competitive to get into, so don't just sit and wait for something to happen. If you want it, go after it! Make opportunities happen, as they simply won't without your active input.

Talk to your local MP's office, hone-in on campaigns you feel strongly about and volunteer; produce your own project to showcase your ideas or talent. If you want to be a policy adviser, draft some ideas and publish them online."

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Joshua Tite

Reigate College: 2019 - 2022

Previous School: Reigate

Subjects: BTECs in Business, Digital Media Production and IT

Currently: BSc (Hons) Computer Science, Brighton University

Joshua Tite, who was previously at Reigate School did an extra year at Reigate College redoing Maths and English GCSEs and BTEC Level 2s in Business and Public Services. Good grades on these Level 2 courses meant he then qualified for a Level 3 (A Level or equivalent) Programme.

Joshua said, "Having struggled at school with GCSEs, my confidence grew at Reigate College and I not only passed the exams in my "Intermediate" year, I also sat the higher Maths paper so as to achieve the higher pass grade I needed to be accepted on the Computer Science degree course at Brighton University.

I went on to really enjoy my three BTEC Level 3 courses and achieved the grades I needed for uni. In the end, I was offered five places!

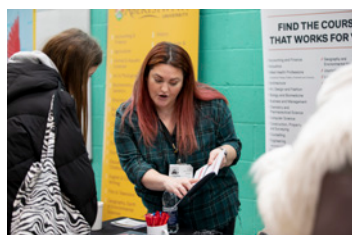
The support I got from College tutors throughout my three years was fantastic. They were so helpful and influential – particularly Business teacher, Jane Reynolds. I'm now loving my studies and I'm ready to take on the world of Computer Science. Reigate College totally changed my approach to learning.

My biggest piece of advice to people starting out on an 'Intermediate' year is don't stress! It's a great chance to find yourself and make new friends."



Joshua Tite

Careers focus



It's another busy year for the Careers Department, as well as offering individual support and guidance, the Careers team oversees a packed schedule of events and activities:

Parents' Information Meetings:

- **15 September 2022:** UCAS Parents' Information Evening (Upper Sixth)
- **22 September 2022:** Apprenticeship and Employment Parents' Information Evening (Upper Sixth)
- **29 September 2022:** Welcome to Careers Parents' Information meeting (Lower Sixth)

These were virtual information evenings designed to explain how parents can support their sons/daughters/young people with general progression planning and university and apprenticeship applications.

Get Ahead Days

- **9 February 2023:** Intermediate HE and Careers Fair. A scaled down version of the fair above aimed at students who spend a year at College re-sitting GCSEs and doing BTEC Level 2s.
- **21 March 2023:** Lower Sixth, HE and Careers Fair with over 100 exhibitors from universities and employers. The day

includes one-to-one sessions with tutors and talks on applying to university and apprenticeships.

National Apprenticeship Week

- **6-12 February 2023.** A programme of lunchtime talks for students in the Lower and Upper Sixths. Speakers from the College's Alumni.
- **1 March 2023.** Apprenticeship Show, Sandown Park.

Over 150 Upper Sixth students take part in this annual event designed for exploring apprenticeship opportunities.

Progression Day

- **20 June 2023.** A concentrated day of talks and activities for all Lower Sixth students.

Talks cover progression routes in different subject areas, how to write a personal statement and how to apply for apprenticeships.

Work Experience Week

- **10-14 July 2023.** All students are required to complete work experience in the Lower Sixth. Work Experience Week is a chance for students who haven't yet completed work experience to take advantage of a range of opportunities arranged by the Careers team, including insight visits to local employers.

Don't forget to look out for the College's weekly **Careers Bulletin** full of information about applying to university, apprenticeships, job vacancies and work experience opportunities. See www.reigate.ac.uk/news

Union matters

It's been a busy start to the academic year for the Students' Union, with new SU representatives organising a succession of College charity and social events. Here are some of the highlights so far:

Freshers' Party

On 22 September, this year's ticket-holding freshers got to party with a live DJ at the Harlequin Theatre in Redhill.

The dress code was one of the SU's favourites: 'Black and White'.



Welcome to the new Students' Union



Students' Union representatives 2022-2023:

Presidents	Joe Wright, Amanda Evans-Banon
Equality Officers	Victoria Kapawa, Ashley Roberts
Event Officers	Diana Badila, Tafari Adisah, Bronwen Nelstrop, Tristan Cossey, Imogen Kemp
Community Events	Kate Cilliers, Olivia Bonnick, Evie Owsnett, Farah Altarawneh
Environmental Officers	Róisín Sharma, Rachel Fearon
Communications Officer	Caitlin Benjamin
Wellbeing Ambassadors	Sophie Eastwood, Evelyn Peters, Angus Walton, Scarlett Worsley

Gratitude Week

This term's community focus was Gratitude Week - from 5 to 9 December. This was a time for students to focus on what they were grateful for, and for the whole College community to come together to support a variety of charities.

For the fifth year running, Intermediate and Lower Sixth tutor groups were asked to put together gift bags for elderly members of a local Age Concern centre. While Upper Sixth students worked together to provide foodbank donations for the local charity Loveworks.

The College also arranged collections of children's clothing and stationery for the Wellingara Nursery School in the Gambia.



Christmas Fun

On the 6 and 8 December various stalls were set up across College to help get students into the Christmas spirit – these included activities such as Christmas Card making, decorating gingerbread people and building hedgehog homes for the winter.

In the spotlight



Anna Pickup

Meet four
of the
College's
sporting
elite

Anna Pickup

Previous School: St. Andrews

Subjects: Philosophy, Maths, Geography

Lower Sixth Anna Pickup has been playing netball since the age of 11. She joined Ashted All Stars Netball Club in year 6

and has recently been selected to play in the U21 squad for the Surrey Storm Super League. Based at Surrey Sports Park, the home of Surrey University, Anna now benefits from both world class coaching and facilities.

Future Plans: Anna hopes to continue playing Netball for both her future university and a nearby franchise. She said, "Netball is a huge part of my life and is something I will always try to fit around future career opportunities."

Luke Metcalf

Previous School: Box Hill

Subjects: Business (BTEC), Sport (BTEC Double)

Towards the end of November



Ben Dillon (right)

this year, Luke Metcalf won golf's Junior European Open, held in Alcaidesa, Spain. This was a massive achievement, especially as he was only just back from a fractured wrist. Luke fought his way through five rounds of competition, shooting a final round of 6-under-par in tough conditions to see off 155 other players and win this prestigious event. The win gets Luke onto the World Amateur Golf Ranking and highlights of the event will be shown on Sky Sports in the coming weeks.

Future Plans: Luke plans to attend a top D1 Golf College in the US after Reigate and hopes to compete on one of the major golf Tour's in years to come.

Ben Baillie-Young

Previous School: The Ashcombe

Subjects: Maths, Further Maths, Physics, Chemistry

Back in September, Lower Sixth Ben Baillie-Young won the silver medal at The National League Trampoline Competition, in South Shields, Level 3, age 15-16 years.

Ben Dillon

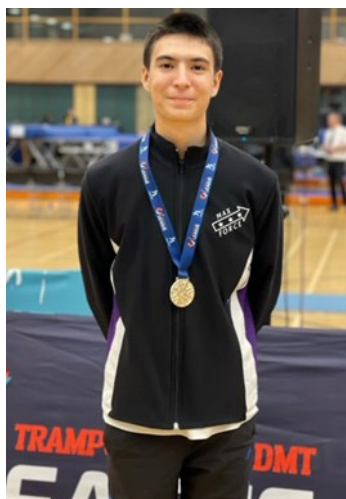
Previous School: The Beacon

Subjects: Maths, Business, Physical Education

Upper Sixth Ben Dillon competes for England at Korfball, a ball sport that is probably closest to netball and basketball, with teams



Luke Metcalf



Ben Baillie-Young

Teams roundup

Men's 1st Team Football.

Currently preparing for the AoC (Association of Colleges (Sport)) regional tournament in January and doing well in the SSF (Surrey Sixth Form) League, winning the majority of their games this season, such as an excellent 4 -2 win against Richard Challoner School. The team has also qualified for the next round of the ESFA (English Schools Football Association) League.



Womens' Netball

A Team has had some excellent games against local colleges such as Esher, while the B Team's standout victory so far this season was against Oxted.

Men's Rugby. The men are competing in the SSF League and AoC League and Cup. They have done well so far this year, particularly a brilliant 31 – 10 win against Esher.

Women's Rugby. The women have had several friendlies and played in the AoC Progression festival on the 7 December against a variety of colleges.

Basketball (Mixed Team).

Playing in the AoC Cup and the SSF League, the players have beaten several teams including a notable 57 – 49 win against Northfleet College.

Mixed Hockey. Prioritised training over matches in the Autum Term. Fixtures to come.



Men's First Team

Men's 2nd Team Football.

Playing in the SSF League and AoC Cup and having a great season, picking up some good wins, such as a 5 – 4 win against Three Rivers Academy.

Men's 3rd Team Football.

Also playing in the SSF League and have had some good wins this year, such as a 1 – 0 win against Merrist Wood College.

Women's Football. The College is fielding teams in three competitions: the AoC Cup, ESFA League and SSF League. The women have had some outstanding games, such as a 14 – 3 win against Coulsdon College.

Netball A and B Teams. With teams competing in both the SSF League and AoC Cup, the

consisting of eight players – four male and four female.

All players are allowed to shoot and defend but, unlike basketball, players can't dribble, or run with the ball. This year Ben has competed in both the U17 and U19 world cups in Eindhoven (NL) and Kutna Hora (CZ). In the U17 tournament Ben was England's top male scorer, scoring 6 goals across the tournament.

Future Plans: Ben is planning on studying Business and Management at university and hopes to represent England in the U19 World Cup, taking place in Belgium in 2023.

Enrichment Programme

This year's Enrichment Programme got off to a flying start with around 1,400 students participating last term, in one or more of the College's enrichment opportunities. It's not too late to get involved!

- Around 50 lunchtime and after-College Clubs and Activities
- Competitive Sports Teams (see above)
- College Gym
- Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award
- Sports Ambassadors
- Student Mentors
- Students' Union



Cross-College

shows 2023

Rehearsals are already underway for this year's Cross College Shows:

Cross College Musical: Grease
7, 8 and 9 March - 7pm



This crowd-pleasing musical by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey is set in 1959 at fictional Rydell High School. It follows a group of teenagers as they navigate the complexities of peer pressure, politics, personal core values and love. Set against a backdrop of household musical favourites, this action-packed show is gearing up to be a brilliant showcase for the immense acting, singing and dancing talent at the College.

Performance dates: 7th, 8th and 9th March, 7pm

Venue: The Rispoli Theatre

Cross College Play:
The Government Inspector
28 and 29 March - 7pm



Open to all students, this year's Cross College Play is *The Government Inspector* by Nikolai Gogol. A classic satire that focuses on human vanity, it tells the story of a penniless nobody from Moscow who is mistaken for a government inspector by the corrupt and self-seeking officials of a small town in Tsarist Russia. Widely held to have led the realist revolution in Russian drama, the play caused such a stir when first performed that the writer was driven into exile!

Tickets for both shows will be available for sale at the end of January. See www.reigate.ac.uk/box-office

Diary dates

From January 2023

What	When
February half term holiday	13 - 17 February
Battle of the Bands	Thursday 2 March, Harlequin Theatre, Redhill, 7pm
Grease: Cross College Musical	Tuesday 7, Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 March, Rispoli Theatre, 7pm
Government Inspector: Cross College Play	Tuesday 28 and Wednesday 29 March, Dramatic Arts Centre, 7pm
Spring Concert	Thursday 30 March, Rispoli Theatre, 7pm
Easter holidays	3 - 14 April
Bank holiday	Monday 1 May
May half term holiday	29 May - 2 June
End of term for students	Friday 14 July
End of term for staff	Wed 19 July



Reigate College's Mark Leung (National Youth Orchestra) giving a breath-taking performance of Sarasate's *Introduction & Tarantella* at the College's Winter Concert on 1 December.



Dancers at the College's annual dance show *Hot Feet*, held on 6 and 7 December.

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Reigate College's Alumni is a professional network of over 2,500 former students who are studying or working in a wide range of areas.

Help us grow the network, so that together we can help inspire and support current students.

Sign up via the Future First website: www.futurefirst.org.uk/former-student/reigate-college

Join our group on **LinkedIn** Search 'Alumni Reigate College' or email alumni@reigate.ac.uk

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