



Friday 12 January 2024

## Happy New Year

I hope you had a good break. The College is back in full swing with a packed term full of activities, events and assessments. Please take time to read the diary dates at the end of the bulletin to ensure you know what is coming up. With the weather turning colder, please familiarise yourself with the adverse weather procedures in this bulletin in case of snowfall in the coming months.

*Nick Clark, Principal*

## Support for Students

This term can be challenging for our students with deadlines and starting to think about the end of the year. The College offers a lot of support to help your son/daughter/young person if they are struggling. Please encourage students to speak to their Tutors and we also have a wealth of support that they can access.

All students can access Wellbeing Assessments through booking an appointment on their portal, where they can gain advice and guidance about the help they can obtain. The college also offers in-house counselling through Relate.

- There is a **parent webinar online via zoom** for how to support your son/daughter/young person throughout the exam period this is on **Tuesday 12 March 2024 6-7pm**.
- The College is also running an **Exam Anxiety Session** on the **Wednesday 13 March for students from 4:30-5:15pm in P107 on College site**.

Tickets for both events can be accessed through the college website by [clicking here](#).

The College also works with many outside agencies such as Reaching Out Team, Dorking Health Care Talking Therapies, the Samaritans, and many others.

Due to the growing concerns with mental health, the NHS have developed a new mental health crisis line that can be used 24/7 the number is 0800 9154644. Please use this number if you are worried about a young person. The following is also a good source of information [Where to get urgent help for mental health - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

# Review Meetings

The Review Meetings were held via SchoolCloud just prior to the Christmas break. The purpose of these meetings was to provide students and their parents with an opportunity to discuss targets with their teachers. Hopefully, you found the meetings useful and both you and your son/daughter/young person are clear how each target will be achieved. To support this work, your son/daughter/young person has been provided with all the resources required for each subject.

We are aware parents cannot always attend these meetings, but it was made clear to students that they were expected to make an appointment to speak to their teachers. Unfortunately, some students did not attend their meetings and therefore, missed the opportunity to agree an action plan for success. If your son/daughter/young person missed their meetings, we would appreciate your support in encouraging them to utilise the resources available to give them the best chance of achieving the highest possible grades.

# Careers

## **Beyond Reigate Information Evening on Zoom**

This event for parents on Wednesday 24 January 6.00 -7.00pm will explain the different routes available to students when they leave College and a brief introduction to student finance. Further information and the link will be e mailed nearer the time.

## **Get Ahead Day**

This is a compulsory day on Tuesday 19 March when Lower Sixth Students will be in College 9.00am - 3.30pm. Students will visit a Careers fair attended by round 100 universities, employers and apprenticeship providers and have a one-to-one interview with their tutors to ensure they have the support they need and have arranged work experience. They will also attend talks from universities and employers.

## **Work experience**

The deadline for students having arranged (though not necessarily to have completed) their Work Experience is Get Ahead Day on Tuesday 19 March. Students are now able to log their work experience on their portal. Any students who have questions about Work Experience should visit the Work Experience stand on the upstairs landing outside the ILC on a Tuesday or Thursday lunchtime 12.45 - 1.45pm.

If you have questions about work experience, please see the Work Experience FAQ document. If you work for an organisation that is able to offer a work experience opportunity, please e mail [workexperience@reigate.ac.uk](mailto:workexperience@reigate.ac.uk)

# Adverse weather

The College has well established procedures for dealing with disruptive weather such as heavy snow. In the event of adverse weather, students should check their mobile phone, College Portal, email, College website and social media for messages from the College. If your son/daughter/young person has changed his/her/their mobile phone number during this term and has not informed the College, they should update their details at Reception.

# Diary dates

What	When	Details
Structured Learning Day 2	Wednesday 17 January	Students study independently at home
Beyond Reigate – Parent Event	Wednesday 24 January	Careers focused evening for Parents on Zoom
Half Term	Monday 12 – Friday 16 February	
Structured Learning Day 3	Monday 26 February	Students study independently at home
Cross College Musical Legally Blonde	Tuesday 5, Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 March	Tickets available on the website
Get Ahead Day for Lower Sixth	Tuesday 19 March	Careers day for all Lower Sixth students
Cross College Play –Macbeth	Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 March	Tickets available on the website
Spring Concert	Thursday 21 March	Tickets available on the website
Last day of Spring Term	Thursday 28 March	College finishes at normal time 4.15pm
Start of Summer Term	Monday 15 April	
L6 A level Progression Exams	Monday 22- Friday 26 April	L6 Students undertake exams in their A level subjects