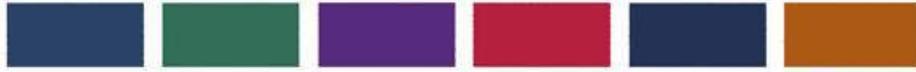


Riddlesdown Collegiate



Learners of today, Leaders of tomorrow.

The Principal writes

Thank you to parents of Year 8 students who attended one of the Parents' Evenings this week. We know from the feedback that parents gave us towards the end of last academic year that opportunities for face-to-face dialogue are the most valued form of communication about students' learning and progress. It is for this reason that we have scheduled more Parents' Evenings this academic year (in Years 8 & 10) meaning that parents will be invited more often, with shorter gaps between Parents' Evenings. At the same time, feedback from parents indicated that written comments on reports were least useful and so these will no longer be provided. We hope that the outcome will be even greater impact on learning and standards through more effective use of teachers' time. We look forward to seeing parents of Year 12 students next Thursday, 5th December 2019 and parents of Year 7 students the following week.

We were delighted to welcome local MP candidates to a hustings event at the Collegiate this week. Chris Philp (Conservative), Olga Fitzroy (Labour), Anna Jones (Liberal Democrats) and Peter Underwood (Green) all attended and responded to a wide range of questions from Year 13 students and others. We are grateful for their time and the opportunity this presented to our students to engage in discussion on important issues and political affairs. We will be holding our own Mock Election on 12th December 2019 and potential student candidates and party campaigners have already put themselves forward for these roles. In the current political climate, it is probably even more important for young people to develop their understanding and prepare themselves for active citizenship in our changing society.

Well done to Year 11 students who have now finished their PPEs. Next week they will return to regular lessons and they will then receive their PPE results on 13th December 2019. Also next week, guidance interviews for College VI applicants will begin with Pegasus & Phoenix students on Tuesday, 3.30pm - 5.00pm and Aquila & Orion students at the same time the following Tuesday. Students should have individual appointment times, but should check with their Tutor or Mr Weeks, Director of Learning College VI, if unsure. The purpose of these meetings is to ensure that students have made good course choices and to subsequently make conditional offers. They will also provide an opportunity for students to ask any further questions about College VI and our excellent post-16 provision.

Finally, congratulations to Ms Ward, Pegasus College, on the birth of her baby boy last weekend. He was not expected until the new year, so has arrived a few weeks early, but is doing well. Our very best wishes to Ms Ward and her family. We have appointed an English teacher to cover Ms Ward's maternity leave from the start of next term, but have needed to make temporary arrangements for the next three weeks following her early departure.

**Timetable:
Week commencing
Monday
2nd December
will be
Timetable Week B**

- Forthcoming Events**
- Monday 2nd December**
- Year 11 GCSE PE Road Cycling Assessment
 - Year 13 DT Trip to Design Museum
- Tuesday 3rd December**
- Year 11 GCSE PE Road Cycling Assessment
 - Year 12 Psychology Trip
- Wednesday 4th December**
- Year 12/13 Art in Action
 - Year 13 Sociology Criminology Trip
 - Year 12/13 Politics Trip
- Thursday 5th December**
- Year 12 Parents Evening
- Friday 6th December**
- Year 7 Report home
- Tuesday 10th December**
- Year 12/13 History Lecture
- Wednesday 11th December**
- Year 7 Parents Evening Aquila/Phoenix
- Thursday 12th December**
- Year 7 Parents Evening Orion/Pegasus



Careers Fair

On 17th December 2019 Key Stage 4 and 5 students and their parents are welcome to attend our annual careers fair in partnership with Harris Purley and Woodcote High School. This year the Event will take place at Harris Purley from 5.00pm – 7.30pm. Students and their parents will have the opportunity to informally talk to employers from a wide range of sectors as well as further and higher education providers and gap year companies. Some of the employers have indicated their ability to take on students for work experience, as well as discuss apprenticeships in their field, so it is an excellent chance to network with people in the local business community. There will also be talks from the Department of Work and Pensions about future Careers and Pearson College will deliver a talk on Degree Apprenticeships.

Miss Knox



Riddlesdown Hustings

On Thursday 28th November, Year 13 students had the opportunity to meet our local candidates standing to be the MP for Croydon South. Year 13 politics students, Megan Richards and Nathan Bigord, chaired the event that was organised by Mrs Gillam; this gave students a great insight into the background of the candidates and their views on key policies. It was especially important for students who are eligible to vote in the upcoming election, including myself. Students were extremely engaged with wide discussion about Brexit, climate change and other issues relevant to Croydon. It was thought-provoking to have candidates from the Conservative party, Labour, Liberal Democrats and Greens – offering students a chance to get to grips with a plethora of political ideologies. In addition, it was a particularly significant event for Year 13 politics students as it broadened our knowledge on each political party. Overall, it was a stimulating debate, which students and teachers enjoyed significantly.

Amy Hollingworth, 13SCS



1968—1989 Examination Certificates

We have recently found some original examinations certificates dating from 1968 to 1989 in our archives!

If you think you are missing your certificates for examinations taken within these dates please do let us know and we would be happy to see if we have them and to be able to forward them on to you.

Please contact us [via this link](#) giving your name, dates when you took your examinations and a contact number, or address we can send these on to.

Mrs Church

Nutcracker Competition

Congratulations to the following students whose stunning artwork was selected to be shown at London Mozart Players performance of The Nutcracker at Fairfield Halls on Monday 23rd December 2019, 2:30pm. A special mention must be given to Millie Harrison in Year 8 whose artwork was also used on the concert flyer. We hope students who won will be pleased and will be able to go along to see their artwork on the big stage. The response to this competition was incredibly impressive as there were so many imaginative entries and as usual, it was very difficult to judge. Well done and thank you to all entrants.

Mrs Chinsman

Year 7

Henry Cotton
Ava Smith
Alexia Calligeris

Year 8

Millie Harrison
Eralb Hyselli
Zenayne de Cordova
Fatima Kamran
Elada Lukoseviciene

Y10

Jessica Igiebor
Erin O'Flaherty
Alice Beagley
Charlie Turner
Rhianna Cork
Katie Pritchard
Kristina Miljusevic
Elsbeth Buchanan
Elena White
Katie Hinton
Roxanne Farhadi
Candace Paterson
Yasmin Abu-Seer
Isabella Alderton

Y12

Aimee Shardlow

LMP ON THE
MOVE

**THE SNOWMAN
AND THE NUTCRACKER**

MONDAY 23 DECEMBER
2.30pm

FAIRFIELD HALLS
PHOENIX
CONCERT HALL

LONDON MOZART PLAYERS
TIM HENTY *conductor*
TAMA MATHESON *narrator*

BLAKE
The Snowman
TCHAIKOVSKY
The Nutcracker Suite

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The Nutcracker drawing
by Millie Harrison
(Riddlesdown School)

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LONDON MOZART PLAYERS

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The iconic animated film of Raymond Briggs' *The Snowman*, with music by Howard Blake, has been a Christmas TV favourite since its premiere in 1982. As part of their award-winning #LMPOnTheMove series, Fairfield Halls' resident orchestra London Mozart Players will perform the full orchestral score live-to-picture on a big screen in the Phoenix Concert Hall, in a pre-Christmas treat that's perfect for the whole family.

The programme includes a magical retelling in words and music of Hoffman's original 1816 fairy tale *The Nutcracker*. Actor Tama Matheson will bring the enchanting story of Clara, the Nutcracker and the fight with the Mouse King in the Kingdom of Sweets to life with Tchaikovsky's beloved score as a musical backdrop. The story will be presented alongside stunning artwork animations created by art students from Riddlesdown School.

There's no better way to get in the mood for the festive season!

TICKETS

Adults £15/Under 16s £8.25*

Book online: fairfield.co.uk*

Book by phone: 020 3292 0002*

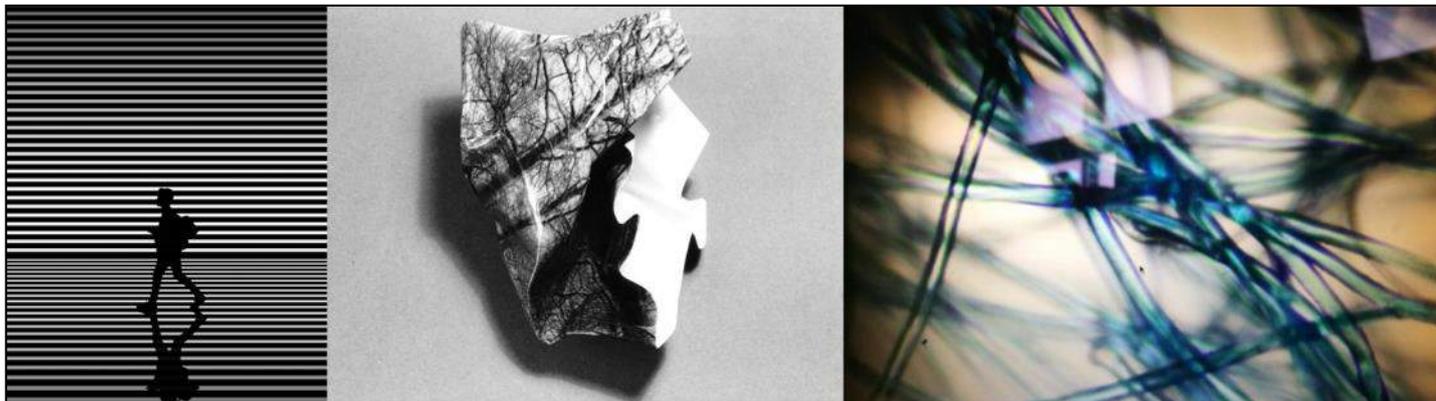
Groups (10+): 020 3292 0003

*Transaction fee applies to online and telephone bookings

info@lmp.org | 020 8686 1996

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Riddlesdown Collegiate Term 1 Photography Competition



Who? Open to all students Years 7 – 13.

Stimuli / Themes to choose from? Reflections, Street or Plastic. Multiple entries are accepted.

Where? You are welcome to work on your photoshoots in art during lunch, at home or on location. Consider using digital, editing apps, photoshop, collage etc.

When? Start practising photography now and submit your best image(s) printed A4 to student services by Thursday 5th December.

Why? The winning entries from each year group will be framed in the gallery and congratulated in the Collegiate newsletter.

How? Entries should be printed A4 size. Include your full name, category, art teacher, tutor group and an explanation of your thought process on the back of your photo. Year 12 A-Level Photography students will select the winners. Get creative - good luck!

Electronic Consent - ParentPay

Consent for trips is now collected electronically and this is managed through ParentPay. When you receive a letter about a trip you will need to sign in to ParentPay and ensure that you tick the consent box, which will then direct you to a questionnaire. This consent must be completed to ensure that your child has a place.

Please ensure that your ParentPay account is activated. If you do not have a ParentPay account or you have not activated your ParentPay account, please email parentpay@riddlesdown.org. Link about ParentPay <https://www.parentpay.com/parents/>

What is ParentPay and what can it do?

ParentPay is a cashless system used at Riddlesdown Collegiate. To top up ParentPay go to www.parentpay.com

Parents / Guardians receive activation details to register on ParentPay in Year 7. All items available to pay will be preloaded onto your child's ParentPay account. You can set up more than one child on your parent account.

ParentPay is used for

- **School Lunches**
- **Trips** – Pay for school trips through ParentPay. Parents / Guardians who respond will be able to give **parental consent** and provide **medical information**. When paying for a school activity, you are required to confirm your consent and you will need to tick the box in the consent column in order to continue with your payment. You will need an activated account to complete the consent and payment process.
When the trip is a voluntary donation trip, the electronic consent will still need to be completed to allow your child to take part in the trip or activity.
- **Clubs** – Receive advanced notification about clubs so you can secure a place, book and pay early.
- **Payment Options** – Debit, Credit cards and American Express

If you have forgotten your password please visit www.riddlesdown.org/parent-pay where details on activation and using ParentPay can be found by following this link : [A Parent Guide is available by following this link](#)

Miss T Ward

PE Fixtures Round Up

The week started with a great evening of sport for the Year 8 boys. First the football team were in action taking on Richard Challoner in the Surrey Cup. Riddlesdown were dominant from start to finish winning the game comfortably 6-0 and progressing to the last 16. Special mention to Naquarm Clarke-Douglas for scoring a couple of great goals. Playing a stone's throw away was the Year 8 rugby team who turned on the style to score an amazing 14 tries. In extremely wet and muddy conditions these boys showed great determination and ball handling skills to overcome Wilsons. Well done to both sets of boys on two fantastic results.



On Wednesday we took a squad of girls to Croydon High for our first ever swimming fixture. The squad was a little light in numbers but with several girls happy to swim in lots of events it was a great opportunity for the girls to compete in a range of strokes. The girls were fantastic on the evening, with lots of individual wins. It was very hard to win a team event as we struggled to make up teams in each year group but individually the girls were fantastic.

The weather had been awful all week and many clubs were cancelled due to rain. Thursday didn't stop the Year 7 & 8 girls playing netball in horrible conditions as both A & B teams in each year took on Croydon High in wet and windy conditions. All the squads did a great job to battle through the rain and the games were very competitive. A full report of these will be included in next week's netball round up.

The Year 9 football team travelled to Hampton for a Surrey Cup game on Thursday. The boys played some fantastic football but unfortunately chances were not taken and the boys lost 2-0. Sava Kioufi was Man of the Match.

Badminton

The final fixture of the week was the Key Stage 4 boys badminton championships. Due to the PPE's being on Riddlesdown had to work from Year 10 and below and a team of Cameron Handley, Jamie Lee, Oliver Honeyman and Year 8 Rohan Patel travelled to South Croydon Sports Club to take on Croydon's finest badminton players. The boys were fantastic on the day and won all their group games, playing some fantastic badminton along the way. In the semi-final they played a very strong St. Mary's team and narrowly lost 2-1. This was a great achievement considering they were younger than any other player there. Overall Riddlesdown finished joint 3rd out of 10 schools. Well done boys, looking forward to next year already.



Extra-curricular clubs

In the next few weeks we have lots of competitions going on and we need girls and boys to get involved. It would be great to see new faces at the following clubs, please come along and get involved:

Girls Cricket:	Tuesday	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Sports Hall
Handball Boys and Girls:	Tuesday	3.30pm	Sports Hall
Girls Basketball:	Wednesday	lunchtime 12.25pm - 12.55pm	Sports Hall
Boys Basketball:	Wednesday	2.45pm - 3.45pm	Sports Hall
Badminton mixed:	Thursday	3.35pm - 4.35pm	Sports Hall

Sport Fixtures 2nd - 6th December

Tuesday 3rd

Netball: Year 8 & 9 A team v Harris South Norwood away 4.00pm start

Wednesday 4th

Netball: Year 7 A Year 10 B v Shirley away 3.30pm start

Netball: Year 8 v Coloma away 3.30pm start

Football: Year 11 A v Harris SN @ home 2.45 KO

Handball: Under 13 Girls @ Harris CP 3.30pm start

Thursday 5th

Netball: Year 9 & 8 A/B v Coloma away 4.00pm start

Panathlon: All day in Sports Hall

Friday 6th

Under 13 and Under 15 girls cricket @ Riddlesdown 12.20pm start

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair has come to Riddlesdown Collegiate until Wednesday evening 4th December.

Students can purchase any of the books on display and there are stationery items too. Parents can also visit the book fair today Friday, on Monday and Wednesday from 3.00pm till 4.00pm and Tuesday from 3.50pm – 4.30pm.

It will be easiest to pay by cash. Parents can pay by credit card by calling 03333052963 quoting the school account number 18001438, making a note of the transaction, to pass on the details of the order to the Library and then the students can take the items away. Any books that sell out can be ordered by the Library and will be delivered when the cases are taken away on Thursday morning but payment must be made first. There is no catalogue to look at or ordering online, students and parents choose from the displays.

We hope students enjoy the book fair.



Mrs Woodworth

The Diner

Wednesday 18th December

Christmas lunch with all the trimmings and a Christmas cracker
Please come along and join us.

Christmas lunch is priced at £3.00 for all students, so please ensure you have topped up your lunch account to avoid disappointment.

Please note our menu will be limited on this day however Pasta King and sandwiches will still be available.



Year 7 you are being set a fabulous fundraising challenge by FORC! You will receive your free Smartie tubes during PDT on Thursday 28th November. The easy bit (and treat) is to eat the contents of the tube but then the super challenge is to refill the tube with 20p pieces donated from family and friends. Every 20p will go directly towards improving the seating and to add air conditioning to the hall. They have two weeks to complete the task with the tutor group raising the most, winning a pizza party at the end of term!

The 'Silver Smarties tubes' should be returned to Students services with the students name and tutor group clearly marked on the tube any time up until Friday 13th December. Go Year 7 Go!!!

Thank you for your support,

The FORC team.



Oliver! – REHEASAL SCHEDULE 2nd December 2019

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				
TUESDAY	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	
	SIP		Oliver, Fagin, Dodger, Bumble, Corney, Nancy	
	WLR			
	ELH			Fagins Gang, Dodger, Oliver, Fagin Finish time 16.30 CO9
	RME			Workhouse, Bumble and Corney, Oliver, Governors 16.30 HALL
	RPD			Core dancers THEATRE
WEDNESDAY	SIP			
	ELH			Fagin's Gang, Dodger, Oliver, Fagin, 16.00 HALL
	AMC			Workhouse, Bumble, Corney, Governors 16.00 THEATRE
THURSDAY	TKW	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA	ORCHESTRA
	SIP			Whole Cast (Except those with Drama) 16.30 THEATRE
	WLR			
	ELH			Fagin, Fagin gang, Dodger, Oliver 16.30 HALL
	RME			
	AMC			Nancy, Bet C09
	FTD			
FRIDAY	TKW			ORCHESTRA
	SIP			Workhouse, Bumble, Corney, Governors (with orchestra) 16.00 THEATRE
	WLR			
	ELH			Fagin, Fagin gang, Dodger, Oliver 17.00 HALL
	AMC			Nancy, Bet 17.00 CO9
	FTD			