



RADLEY



Dear Parents,

As part of our year-long review on digital dependency (as announced in Bulletin on Friday 13th October), please complete this short survey. We do not survey parents often, so when we do it is a matter of significant importance to the College. This is a pressing issue currently facing young people, and we want to reflect carefully on it... your participation is incredibly important.

>> Complete Survey <<

It includes questions on general attitudes towards digital use and asks for specific feedback about use of digital in the home and at Radley. It takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and the results will be shared with some analysis later in the academic year. It also asks for your views on Bulletin, our weekly parent email. I recognise that many parents will have multiple sons at Radley and there will, I am sure, be a different perspective on the questions depending on their age. For that reason, we would very much like it filled in separately for each boy... I hope that is not too much of a burden.

With thanks in advance for your help. It is much appreciated. The deadline for completion is

John Moule

Warden

Parent Information

All Parents

Christmas Carol Services

Booking for the Christmas Carol Services is now open. These events are always a high point of the Radley year as we gather in Chapel to sing our favourite carols, to listen to our fantastic choir, and to hear the wonderful story of Jesus Christ's birth.

Saturday 9th December, 7:30pm - [book here](#)

Sunday 10th December, 6pm - [book here](#)

Rachmaninov's 150th Birthday

Next week, we celebrate the 150th birthday of Sergei Rachmaninov with a series of three concerts on Thursday 23rd November. The day culminates in a recital by Piers Lane, an internationally renowned concert pianist. Piers will be working alongside Radley musicians throughout the afternoon, some of whom will join him on stage in the evening. Free tickets for the evening concert can be reserved [here](#). Parents, family and friends are very welcome to join us.

Hudson String Prize

On Tuesday 21st November, we welcome cellist Joely Koos to adjudicate the Hudson String Prize. There will be classes throughout the day, with the evening recital class in Silk Hall at 8pm. You are all very welcome to join us for what should be a wonderful occasion. Free tickets can be reserved [here](#).

Beyond Radley: How to launch a start-up without losing your mind

Serial tech entrepreneur, Charlie Lass (1994, A) will discuss the emotional roller coaster of launching a start-up and the importance of preserving your mental health from the start. This event will take place via Zoom on Wednesday 29th November, 6pm. Parents and boys are welcome. Please register [here](#).

Mick Herron and Simon Mason: In Conversation

hosting a short Q&A and book signing in the Theatre. Parents are welcome to join us.

Mick Herron is possibly the foremost thriller writer working in this country and has achieved considerable acclaim not only for his series of *Jackson Lamb/Slow Horses* novels, but for the scintillating Apple TV screen adaptation starring Gary Oldman. Mick has been described as 'the new king of the spy thriller' and 'the John le Carré of our generation'. The Senior Book Group (V, 6.1, 6.2 and staff) has been reading *Slow Horses* this term.

Simon Mason writes brilliant crime fiction for both young adults and older readers. His *Garvie Smith* series is routinely the most popular offering in classroom 'Reading Roulette' sessions and is superbly observed, poignant and thrilling. His novels for older readers have been described as 'Inspector Morse for the 2020s'. *A Killing in November* and *The Broken Afternoon* are both Oxford-based thrillers of genuine tension, empathy and shock. The Junior Book Group (Shell and Remove) has been reading *Running Girl* this term.

4.45pm - 5.30pm: Q&A with Simon Mason and Junior Book Group (SLT)

4.45pm - 5.30pm: Q&A with Mick Herron and Senior Book Group (Theatre)

5.30pm - 6pm: Mick Herron and Simon Mason in conversation (Theatre)

6pm - 6.30pm: Book Signing

Shells

Flu Vaccinations

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If you are yet to complete the online form (sent directly by the School Vaccination Programme), please do so. If your son shares any questions or worries about the vaccination over Exeat, please contact the [Health Centre](#). **[info/action]**

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Removes

Roman Catholic Confirmation

This is a last call to register boys for Roman Catholic Confirmation if you have not already done so. Please could parents of Roman Catholic boys who are interested email [Ms Maud Hurley](#). Weekly preparation sessions will begin next term, and the Confirmation service will take place on Sunday 21st April 2024. **[action]**

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Fifths

I hope you have a wonderful Exeat with your son. For your convenience, I have included key dates for 2024 below.

- Monday 8th January 2024 - Friday 12th January 2024 - First Phase GCSE Mocks
- Thursday 11th January 2024 - A-Level options talk for boys
- Monday 29th January 2024 - A-Level choices deadline
- Friday 9th February 2024 - Fifth Form parents' meeting
- Friday 23rd February - Friday 8th March 2024 – Second Phase GCSE Mocks

Post-18 Options

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News

**Medical Lecture Winner**

Congratulations to Aaron (V, G) who won the Independent Schools' Medical Lecture Competition on Wednesday. Aaron's presentation about Haemophilia and medical ethics beat off competition from Harrow and Wycombe Abbey.

**Royal British Legion**

Thanks to the generosity of the Radley community, our fundraiser for the Royal British Legion raised £1769.89. This money will directly support members of the Royal Navy, British Army, Royal Air Force, veterans and their families.



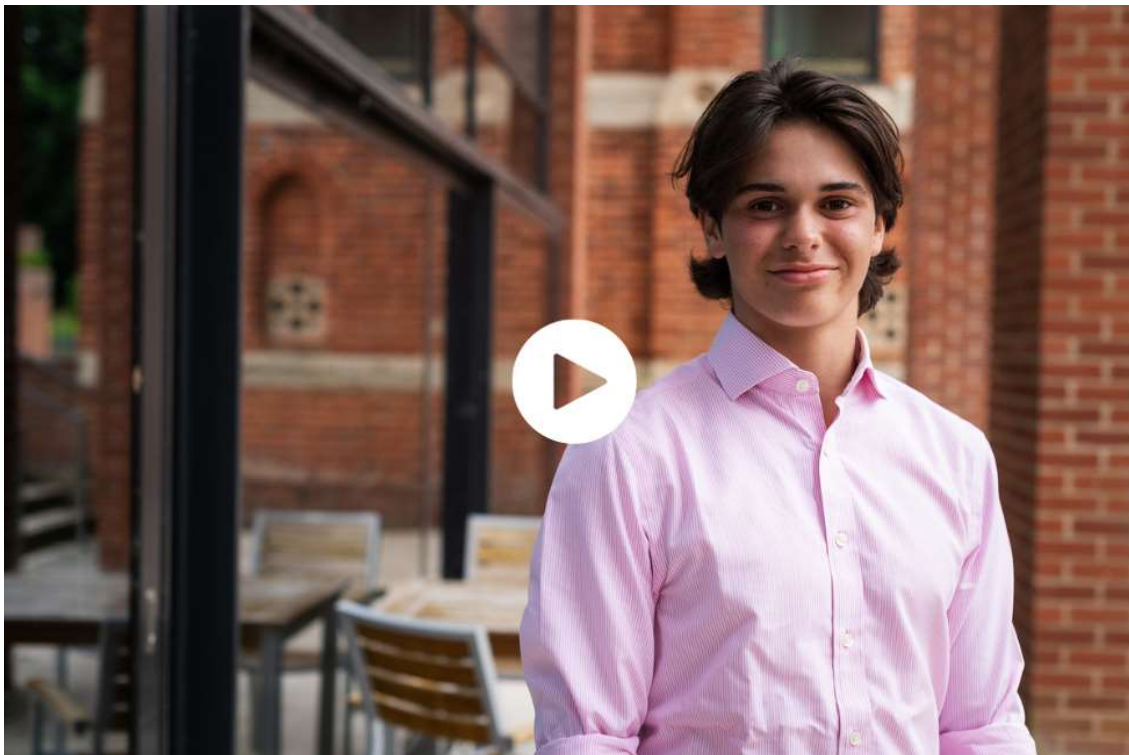
College Play

Congratulations to the cast and crew of the College Play, who gave three outstanding performances of *DARKNET* in the Theatre this week. Photos are available on [Flickr](#).



Lacrosse vs Downe

Our 6.2 boys played Lacrosse against Downe House earlier this week. The final score was 8-8, which was probably a good thing as the group included a brother and sister! Photos are available on [Flickr](#).



New Promotional Film

We are delighted to share our new promotional film. Thanks to Senior Prefect, Zach (6.2, J) for leading this glimpse into Radley life. Under the guidance of Max Horsey, the boys of Radley Video shot most of the film this term, working hard to capture beautiful footage of the College in

Fixtures & Travel Information

We are always delighted to see parents supporting fixtures. Due to the dynamic nature of fixtures and venues, please check **SOCS** and speak to your son before making travel arrangements. Please keep dogs on a lead and pick up after them. Radley is a non-smoking campus.

Tuesday 21st November

Rackets vs Winchester

Thursday 23rd November

Badminton vs Bradfield

Basketball vs Abingdon

Fencing vs Abingdon

Fives vs Marlborough

Real Tennis vs Queen's Club

Swimming vs Marlborough

Upcoming Events

Advent Weekend

Friday 17th November, 12:40pm

Socials

Rachmaninov 150: Piers Lane

Thursday 23rd November, 8pm

Silk Hall - all welcome, no booking required

Christmas Carol Service

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Chapel - free tickets available [here](#)

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Latest Photo Galleries

All our photography is available to download from [Flickr](#). We are grateful to our professional, boy and in-house photographers for their support.



Remembrance Sunday



Lacrosse vs Downe





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