



The Warden has recorded a video message about the digital dependency survey sent in Bulletin last week. Thank you to the many parents who have completed the form so far.

As this is such an important issue - for the College, for the boys and for you as parents - we are eager for all voices to be heard. If you have not yet done so, please spend 10 minutes completing it. We will share the results, along with some analysis, later in the academic year. A similar survey will be sent to boys and staff in due course. The deadline for completion is Monday 4th December, 9pm.

>> Complete Survey <<

Parent Information

Fraud Alert

We continue to hear reports of financial scams targeting independent school parents. The Charity Commission has issued the following advice: a) always verify an email payment change request directly with the school via the official contact details you have on file, b) be vigilant and always scrutinise requests to amend payment procedures. Check for inconsistencies and grammatical errors in external emails, such as a misspelt school name or a slightly different email address; these can be warning signs of fraud, and c) don't be afraid to question and verify details if you are being asked to make fee payments into a new bank account.

Radley College has four main bank accounts which you may be asked to pay into:

- **1. Fees Account -** details are included on the termly invoices which are available on the Radley iSams Portal. We strongly encourage all payments to be made by direct debit to protect both the College and the fee payer.
- **2. Admissions Account -** used for making payments before your son enters the College. Details of this account are sent in correspondence from the Admissions team.
- **3. Fees in Advance Account -** used for making payments into our fees in advance scheme. Details of this account are stored within the fees in advance terms and conditions documentation.
- **4. General Account -** used for certain extras, such as school trips.

These accounts have not changed for a number of years and we have no plans for any changes. If amendments to these accounts were to be made, we would communicate through Bulletin.

Please **contact us** as soon as possible if you have received any suspicious communications.

Talking Heads - Parent Webinar

Our next *Talking Heads* webinar for parents will take place on Tuesday 5th December at 6pm. The topic is Keeping Safe at Parties, pertinent ahead of the Christmas season. Natalie Hunt from It Happens Education will advise parents on how to speak to their sons (and daughters!) about socialising, managing risk and the temptations of alcohol and drugs. Register **here**.

Radley Champagne

Radley cellars (located beneath Mansion) between 9am and 11:30am on Tuesday 12th December. The price is £32 per bottle, which can be added to the bill. You are welcome to simply turn up, or you can pre-order to guarantee supply! Our makers - Juliette Pointillart and her husband Gregory Leveque - have, again this year, been recognised in the Hachette *Guide des Vins*. If the last day of term is not convenient, then it should be possible to arrange for complete half-cases of six bottles to be available for collection at other times. If you would like to pre-order or arrange a collection, please contact **Mr Garry Wiseman.**

RCBC News

The Wallingford Fours and Eights' Head, scheduled to take place this Sunday, has been cancelled due to flooding. Fortunately, we have managed to arrange a match against Eton and St Edward's at Dorney Lake on Saturday. There will be four Radley eights competing - three senior eights and one J16 eight. The event will start at approximately 2:45pm and crews will complete two 3800 metre pieces.

Movember Fundraising

This year, Mr Mason and 19 boys in the Sixth Form are 'growing a mo' in support of Movember. The Movember campaign raises funds every year to battle men's health issues, ranging from prostate and testicular cancer, to men's mental health and suicide prevention. Globally, the rate of suicide is alarmingly highly, particularly in men. Too many are 'toughing it out', keeping their feelings to themselves and struggling in silence. Movember is aiming to reduce the rate of male suicide by 25% by 2030, and we want to help them get there! As a challenge, Mr Mason has also said that he would shave his head if the College team raises £12,000 this year. Please donate here.

Radley Rugby Gala Dinner - Change of Date

The Radley Rugby Gala Dinner 2024 will now take place in Hall on Friday 8th March, 7:30pm until late. Tickets will be on sale very soon.

Unnamed Clothing

We would be grateful for parents' support in ensuring, wherever possible, clothing is named at the start of each term - this includes uniform, sports kit and 'home clothes'. We have an excessive amount of unnamed clothing which the boys are not claiming, despite pleas from PHMs! If parents become aware of clothing which requires naming whilst term is in session, please get in touch with your son's PHM.

Bobble Hats for Sale

As the cold starts to bite, parents will be pleased to know that Radley bobble hats are back on sale for £20 through our partners, Rex Club. These 'chic' grey hats are perfect for parents eager to make a sartorial statement on the sidelines this rugby season! Purchase

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**

Shells

Shell exams start on Monday. The week will be challenging and will demand a great deal of focus and commitment from the boys. Whilst the thought of exams might be daunting, I hope the boys will see it as an opportunity to showcase what they have learned this term. Additionally, they will gain invaluable experience of working under exam conditions. Regardless of the outcomes, it is important that they give their all and finish the term well. Please encourage your son to work diligently and maintain focus, it will make a huge difference! Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs Rebecca Beattie

Head of Shells RB.Beattie@radley.org.uk

Removes

Church of England Confirmation

The next Confirmation service (Church of England) will take place on Sunday 3rd March. Boys in the Removes are welcome to sign up on the list outside Chapel between now and the end of term. [info/action]

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award

All Removes are now eligible to start their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. In previous years, we have had more than 90% of the boys in the year group sign up. A letter from Dr Jim Champion with further details can be found here. [info/action]

Mr Alan Chandrachud

Head of Removes AJC.Chandrachud@radley.org.uk

Church of England Confirmation

The next Confirmation service (Church of England) will take place on Sunday 3rd March. Boys in the Fifth Form are welcome to sign up on the list outside Chapel between now and the end of term. [info/action]

Mrs Joanna De Ritter

Head of Fifths
JDR.DeRitter@radley.org.uk

6.1

Church of England Confirmation

The next Confirmation service (Church of England) will take place on Sunday 3rd March. Boys in the 6.1 year are welcome to sign up on the list outside Chapel between now and the end of term. [info/action]

Work Experience Opportunities

A number of exciting internships and work experience opportunities have been added to Radley Connect. These include being a camera man with a paramotoring school and helping to teach drama. Work experience is a great way to cultivate soft skills, build a CV and increase employment prospects. If you can offer a work experience opportunity, please update Radley Connect or complete this <u>form</u>. [info]

Mr Tim Lawson

Head of Sixth Form TCL@radley.org.uk

6.2

Church of England Confirmation

The next Confirmation service (Church of England) will take place on Sunday 3rd March. Boys in the 6.2 year are welcome to sign up on the list outside Chapel between now and the end of term. [info/action]

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News





Congratulations to Hyunjo (6.2, J), Sepehr (6.2, E) and Gaya (6.2, A) who were honoured at the Oxford Young Scientist of the Year awards on Thursday evening. Radley proudly nominated the three boys in recognition of their outstanding ability and for helping to inspire a culture of excellence across the College.



Hudson String Prize

Congratulations to all the boys who took part in the Hudson String Prize on Tuesday. Wallace (6.1, E) claimed victory with his spellbinding performance of Schubert's 'Arpeggione' Sonata for Cello. Yiyang (6.2, C) came second, with Vitas (V, L) in third. A video of Wallace's winning performance is available here.



England U18 Rugby

Congratulations to Oscar (6.1, E), Digby (6.1, B) and Jonno (6.1, B) on their inclusion in the England U18 training camps taking place over the next two weekends. A just reward for all their hard work this season.



Inter-Social Debating

Congratulations to G Social who won the Senior Inter-Social Debating competition last night. They proposed the motion 'This House believes that governments should not place limits in the areas which scientists may research' to beat a strong team from D Social. Photos from the event are available heters/membed-1986/



Author Visit

Acclaimed authors Mick Herron and Simon Mason visited Radley on Tuesday to meet with the Senior and Junior Book Groups. Following this, the Literary Society (LitSoc) hosted a short Q&A and book signing in the Theatre. Photos are available **here**.



Rachmaninov 150

We celebrated the 150th anniversary of composer Sergei Rachmaninov with a day of concerts on Thursday. In the evening, we welcomed the internationally renowned pianist, Piers Lane, to give a concert alongside talented Radley pianists. It was a wonderful occasion with outstanding performances.

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.

Saturday 25th November

Real Tennis vs Oratory Rugby vs Tonbridge Touch Rugby vs Harrow

Sunday 26th November

Real Tennis: National Singles

Tuesday 28th November

Lacrosse vs St Mary's Calne Real Tennis vs Oratory

Wednesday 29th November

Tennis vs Oxford Sports

Thursday 30th November

Badminton vs Teddies

Upcoming Events

Talking Heads with Natalie Hunt

Tuesday 5th December, 6pm

Online - register here

Christmas Carol Service

Saturday 9th December, 7:30pm

Chapel - free tickets available here

Christmas Carol Service

Sunday 10th December, 6pm

Christmas Concert

Sunday 10th December, 6pm
Silk Hall - free tickets available here

Steeplechase

Monday 11th December Campus

End of Term

Tuesday 12th December, 10:15am *Socials*

Latest Photo Galleries

All our photography is available to download from <u>Flickr</u>. We are grateful to our professional, boy and in-house photographers for their support.







Radley vs Wellington





Remembrance Sunday

Lacrosse vs Downe

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Promotional Film



Hudson String Prize















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