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It is with great sorrow that we share the very sad news of the death last week of Head of Radley Video Max Horsey.

Max joined Radley in 1989 and represented the very best of the College over many years: talented, humble, kind, and dedicated.

He will leave a very big hole in terms of what he did, but also how he did it and who he was. Never one for the limelight himself, Max was proud of the Video Unit and prouder still of the boys he taught. Despite his natural humility, Max spoke to us for an article in *The Old Radleian in 2023* and the article is a testament to his passion for teaching, his love for film-making, and his commitment to sharing his interests with generations of Radleians to whom he became a mentor over the many years he worked here.

As he would have wanted, we have countless hours of footage of Radley at its best that will remind us of him and of his work.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Parent Information

All Parents

Triangle of Colour & Form exhibition private view

Parents are invited to the private view of *Triangle of Colour & Form* by Alan Berman, Alison Berman and Manja Scott this evening, Friday 25th April from 6pm - 8pm. All three of these artists are well known to the Sewell Centre Gallery having exhibited here many times over the years. The exhibition is a joyous riot of ceramics, sculpture and works on paper in gouache, oil bar, acrylics and collage. **[info]**

2025 Independent Schools Ski Championships

Boys in the Shells, Removes, Fifts and 6.1s have been invited to register their interest in the 2025 Independent Schools' Ski Championships, which will take place from 12th to 18th December in Pas de la Casa, Andorra. This is specifically a racing event, and competitors will spend their time on the slopes either in race training with an instructor, or participating in slalom, giant slalom and parallel slalom races. It is therefore only suitable for experienced skiers, although race experience is not required.

The total cost of the trip is expected to be £2,100 per pupil (dependent on numbers), and the deadline to register interest is Sunday 27th April. The sign-up form has been sent to boys in these year groups and further details are in the email which was sent to pupils on 20th March (this can be viewed [here](#)). If you have any questions, please contact Mr Anthony Hibbs (ajh.hibbs@radley.org.uk). **[action]**

Business networking event – Made in Britain

Join our latest RadSoc business networking event in London, celebrating the ingenuity and resilience of British industry and the power of the 'British brand'. We would love Radley parents to come and connect with Old Radleians and current boys to network and share experiences. You can find out more and register [here](#). **[action]**

Invitation to share your suggestions for future topics and speakers

We have been delighted by the response from parents to our Talking Heads series

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cover in the future. Please send your suggestions to us by emailing communications@radley.org.uk. We look forward to hearing from you and to continuing this important dialogue.

Shell

Shell Parents' Meeting: Sunday 4th May

The Shell parents' meeting will take place on Sunday 4th May. Please read [this letter](#) which contains all the relevant details. **[action]**

Shell and Remove Parents' Summer Drinks Party

The Radleian Society is hosting the Shell and Remove Parents' Summer Drinks Party at The Fable, EC1A 2BN on Tuesday 3rd June, 6.30pm – 8.30pm. Please register for the event [here](#). **[action]**

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Fifth

Welcome back. I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and that it was productive. Good luck to all Fifths sitting exams from as early as Friday.

A note about study leave:

As mentioned at the Parents' meeting, lessons will continue for the Fifths until May Leave-Away. After the Leave-Away, the boys will be allowed "study leave". This means that there will be no timetabled lessons for Fifths. However, dons will be available during study leave and many will be scheduling extra revision sessions. Boys are very much encouraged to take advantage of any extra help offered. If boys would like to revise from home during study leave, they may do so, providing they have no school commitments (eg. concerts, music lessons, training sessions, matches etc.). They must return to school the night before an exam. It is very important that all study leave requests are made to Tutors in good time and that Tutors know when a boy is going to be at school/away.

Finally, a reminder that all boys need to be back in school on the evening of Sunday, 29th June for Futures week. Some musicians in orchestra, choir and other ensembles will be needed earlier that day and will be contacted by the music department if this is the case.

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6.1

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6.2

Gaudy: Saturday 5th July 2025

Please look out for the 6.2 Gaudy invitation which was sent out by post this week.

As communicated in last term's final Bulletin, the Warden is inviting 6.2s and their parents to a buffet luncheon catered by Radley in the Bigside Marquee following Tutors' Drinks and Speeches. The day will begin at 10am for 6.2 families with the Leavers' Breakfast in Hall and end with the Leavers' Champagne Toast, Farewell to Dons and 6.2 College prizes from 4.30pm. Further details will be communicated in Bulletin over the course of the term.

Please sign up for the Leavers' Breakfast and Buffet Luncheon by completing this [reply form](#). **[action]**

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Rackets Success

Many congratulations to Nathan [6.1, L] and Laszlo [R, C], who won the Rackets Pairs Final of the 2025 National Schools' Doubles Championships. This marks the first time Radley has claimed the title since 1982, with Laszlo the youngest player to ever do so. As one spectator remarked: "Nathan and Laszlo were a pleasure to behold and gentlemen to boot. Utter magic on court!"



Serpentes Essay Prize

The Serpentes 2025 Essay Prizes were given out at this morning's Warden's Assembly, with the overall winner Tony (6.1, G) delving into the history and influence of American New Wave cinema, and dissecting works like *Bonnie & Clyde* (pictured) and *The Deer Hunter*. His essay reasons that this period of film history "cracked the concrete barriers of social dilemmas and addressed



Music School Latest

On the 17th April, the tower crane which had dominated the Radley skyline for many months was disassembled, as the College's ambitious refurbishing of the Music School moves into its next phase. Work on the building's roof will continue with mobile access equipment and a smaller crane, as we head towards the projected finish date at the end of the year.



Polo Tournament Selection

Harry (S, A) has continued his polo success over the break, making the final selection to play this May and June in the Guards Junior Trophy - a three-game tournament at England's most prestigious polo club, and part of the Victor Futurum series. He also participated in the Youth Dubai Cup at the UAE's state-of-the-art Al

present-day American cinema.”



National Youth Theatre

After their special audition day on Sunday 9th March, eleven Radley boys have been offered places at the National Youth Theatre - a major achievement, as almost 6,000 people between the ages of 14 and 25 audition each year for only 500 acting places. Victoria Buse, Director of Drama, remarked that “this reflects the collaborative and positive ethos that we have created in drama since rebuilding the programme after Covid; it's really allowing the boys, and drama, to thrive.”



Radley in the Press

Radley has received recent accolades in the press over the holidays. A recent TalkEducation article discussed the success of Radley's bursary programmes over the last year, while *The Sun* newspaper focussed on the Radley Keys Award, stating that “the Oxfordshire boys' boarding school has great facilities, strong results and a close community”. WhichSchoolAdvisor named the College as one of their top picks for UK independent school rowing.



Representing GB

Zac (6.1, B) has again been selected to represent Great Britain this July, sailing his International 420 Dinghy at the Junior European Championships in Matosinhos,



Greece Trip

Twenty-five Removes and five 6.1s spent 6 days in Greece at the start of the Easter break, visiting the historical sights of Athens, the ancient shrine of Delphi, the

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Thessaloniki, Greece, successfully qualifying for the silver fleet, before competing in the Winter Championships at Weymouth and the Inland Championships at Rutland.



Barcelona Exchange

Thirteen Remove pupils enjoyed a fantastic five-day exchange trip to Barcelona, staying with their partners from Viaró School and their families. The experience provided full immersion in Spanish language and family life, offering a unique cultural insight. The boys tested their skills on the padel courts, took part in the annual Spain vs England football match, and visited the iconic Sagrada Familia. We look forward to welcoming Viaró students to Radley in May – if nothing else, for a rematch on the rugby pitch...



opportunity for boys to immerse themselves in Ancient Greek culture and civilisation, bringing to life a vast number of sites and artefacts discussed in their GCSEs and A Levels.



Racquets Club, Spain

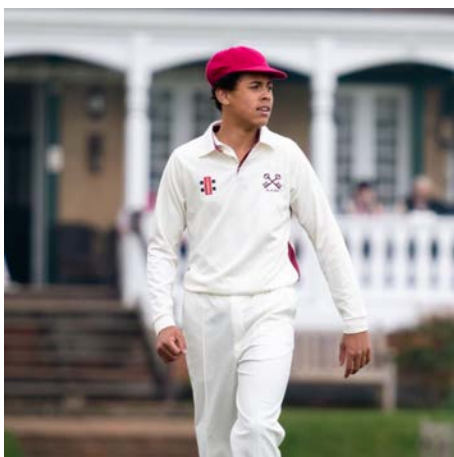
Nine Shells, five Removes and two 6.2s travelled almost 1,400 miles to visit the Racquets Club at La Manga, Spain, for five days of high-level lawn tennis coaching, complete with friendly matches against a team from ACS International School Cobham. The students also found time for padel, yoga, and pickleball, all while readily sampling the local restaurant scene. Ralph Woodling, who runs Radley's tennis, said that he 'enormously enjoyed watching the impressive progress of the boys.'



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European Football

Between April 2 and 6, the College hosted the first Transplant European Football Championship, with teams made up of organ transplant recipients from England, Ireland, Italy, Scotland, Spain and Wales. A nail-biting final saw the England team seize the victory from Italy via a winning goal in the match's final minute. England player Kevin Kyley told the BBC, "There was a real buzz around the place all week... to get that goal in the last minute of the game was unbelievable."



Cricket Selection

Congratulations to Manny (V, G) who was selected for the Hampshire Senior 2nd XI. We look forward to cheering him on as he plays in a four day match event next week.

Trip to Italy

To help prepare for their exams, the 6:2 Radley Art Historians ventured to Italy at the end of March, to see some of the most famous pieces of Western art face-to-face. From Michelangelo's 'David' to Botticelli's 'The Birth of Venus', the boys explored the aesthetic wonders of Florence, climbing the world's largest masonry dome at the Santa Maria Del Fiore cathedral before taking the train to Rome to tour St Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums and much more.



Croquet Competition

206 members of the Radley community have entered this year's friendly Radley Open Pairs' Croquet Competition, to be played across the College's Social, Astro and Mansion Lawns.

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. Due to the development of the Music School, parking is restricted at

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Cricket vs Christ's College

Rowing BASHER Regatta

Tennis Independent School League

Tennis vs Epsom College

Monday 28th April

Golf - Independent Schools Golf Association Finals

Tuesday 1st May

Cricket vs Cheltenham College

Tennis Vs Eton

Saturday 3rd May

Cricket vs Wellington

Tennis vs Winchester

Sunday 4th May

Cricket vs MCS

Upcoming Events

Triangle of Colour & Form exhibition

Friday 25th April, 6pm

*Sewell Centre Gallery***Shell Parents' Meeting**

Sunday 4th May, 11am

*Theatre***Bands Concert**

Sunday 4th May, 7pm

*Theatre**Free tickets can be booked [here](#).***Wharton Piano Prize**

Sunday 11th May, 6.30pm

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Sunday 18th May, 7pm

*Theatre**Free tickets can be booked [here](#).***Orchestral and Concerto Concert**

Sunday 29th June, 6pm

*Chapel**Free tickets can be booked [here](#).*

Latest Photo Galleries

We are grateful to all our professional, staff and boy photographers who work hard to capture the true essence of Radley. As ever, all photographs are available to download from [Flickr](#).



Gary Wilcox Talk



Mace Debaters

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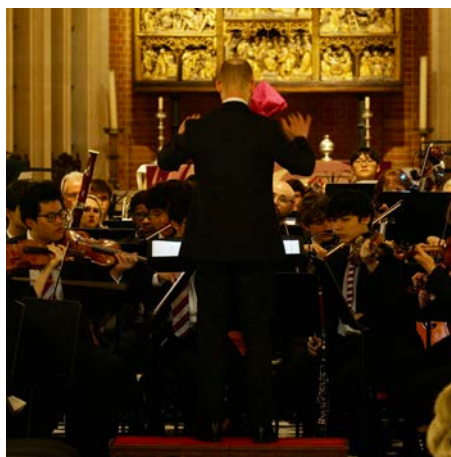


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