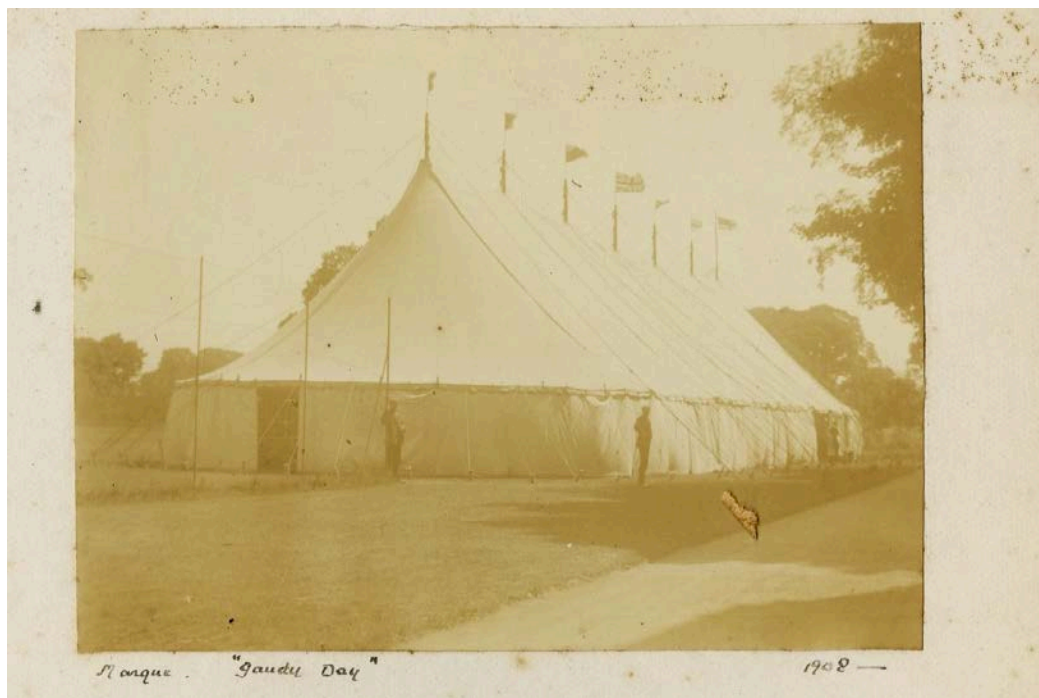




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## Gaudy 2025

We hope to see as many families as possible throughout the morning before the Tutors' Drinks and Speeches at 12.30pm. Many boys will be involved in a variety of competitions, exhibitions and performances. [Here](#) is the map for parking and picnic instructions. There will be a host of activities to see. The schedule for the day is outlined below.

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	9.30 – 11am	Inter-Social Sports for Shells to 6.1s (semi-finals and finals - Cricket, Rowing, Tennis, Croquet)
	10am	Leavers' Breakfast (Hall)
	11.15pm – 12.15pm	Gaudy Showtime: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Art Show</li><li>- Music</li><li>- Robotics Workshop</li><li>- Radley Zoo</li><li>- Design Engineering Exhibition</li><li>- Milligan Cup Performances</li><li>- Golf Simulator Competition</li><li>- Countryside Centre Tour</li></ul>
	11.30am	Leavers' Service (Chapel)
	12.30pm	Tutors' Drinks and Speeches (including awarding of prizes)
	1pm	1st XI v Radley Rangers (Bigside)
	2pm	Pipers piping picnickers to Bigside
	2pm	Social Picnics around Bigside
	2pm	Leavers' drinks served in Bigside Marquee
	2.15pm	Beagles Parade
	2.15pm	Big Band performance
	2.30pm	Leavers' Buffet luncheon (Bigside Marquee)
	2.45pm	Inter-Social Fast and Furious Cricket final (Bigside)
	3.15pm	1st XI v Radley Rangers match resumes (Bigside)
	3.15pm	Live music (Bigside)
	3.30pm	Tea and Coffee available in Shop
	3.30pm	Leavers' Beer Tent open
	4.30pm	Leavers' Toast, Farewell to Dons and 6.2 College prizes (Bigside Marquee)

# Parent Information

## All Parents

### End of Year Art Exhibition: Friday 20th June, 6–7.30pm

The Art Department is delighted to invite parents to its End-of-Year Art Exhibition on Friday 20th June. The exhibition will showcase a selection of artwork created by the boys throughout the 2024/25 academic year, alongside pieces by members of the Radley College staff. All are warmly welcome. Refreshments, including wine and ice creams, will be

### Second Hand Uniform Shop

The Second Hand Uniform Shop continues to be popular with parents and the incoming Shells and Sixth Form for 2025 are looking for shirts, trousers, blazers, gowns, shoes and sports kit. If you have any unwanted or unused Radley attire that you would be willing to donate, please wash it, label it with 'Second Hand Uniform' and drop it off in the entrance of Mansion (or into the Admissions Office). If you wish to book an appointment to view and purchase second hand uniform, please get in touch via [email](#). Many thanks for your support.

### Help the Mighty Orchestra get to Birmingham Symphony Hall

The *Mighty Orchestra* (our massed partnership orchestra that performed at Oxford Town Hall at the end of last term) has been selected to open the National Festival of Music for Youth in Birmingham Symphony Hall on Friday 11th July. This is a massive endorsement of the project, which the Festival has chosen as their example of best practice.

To get to Birmingham with over 200 young musicians from schools across Abingdon, Oxford and Thames Valley, in the first week of our summer holiday, is no small feat. We are challenging every participant to raise some money towards transport costs. Every little helps to get us closer to this amazing performance!

You can make a donation by texting the word 'ORCHTEN' or 'ORCHTWENTY' to 70085 to donate £10 or £20, or by visiting [this Just Giving page](#).

### 2025 Tatler Schools Guide Awards

Voting is now open for the 2025 Tatler Schools Guide Awards. Vote for your favourite schools and teachers [here](#).

### Family Clay Pigeon Shoot: Sunday 14th September

Radley parents and their families are warmly invited to the Radley College Beagles Clay Pigeon Shoot on Sunday 14th September. The shoot is enjoyed by Radley boys of all ages and siblings and is ideal for meeting families with like-minded interests. There are prizes for winners and runners-up in six categories and an inter-Social competition. A letter from Ed and Al Fagan, Shoot Organisers, is available [here](#). You can download the entry form [here](#).

### Church of England confirmation services

There will be two Church of England confirmation services next academic year (10am on Sunday 16th November and 1st March) and boys have been signing up for the November date over the past week. As always, demand is high but there are still a handful of places left. The [Senior Chaplain](#) is very happy to discuss confirmation with either boys or parents if that would be helpful. Roman Catholic confirmation takes place in the summer term at a date to be finalised.



### Mind the Gap: A Parent's Guide to Supporting a Successful Year Off



**Monday 23rd June – 7pm**

Our Talking Heads Parent Webinar this half of term is on the theme of gap years. Milly Whitehead founder of [The Leap](#), one of the UK's leading organisations specialising in purpose-driven gap year and school travel, will join our Head of Sixth Form, Tim Lawson and Tom Deasy, Director of University Entrance for a panel discussion on 'a year off'.

This webinar will explore the benefits and challenges for students considering taking time out before university or entering the workforce, and share practical advice on how to help students plan a purposeful and structured gap year. The panel will also discuss gap years in the context of university entrance and specific degree courses. Whether they're thinking of travelling, working, volunteering, or gaining new skills, this session will offer insightful advice so you can feel informed, reassured, and ready to support your sons in making a smart, meaningful decision.

It promises to be an interesting and informative discussion. There will also be a Q&A session for parents towards the end. Please register for the webinar [here](#).

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## Shell

**Classics trip to Italy, March 2026**

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the start of the Easter Holidays. [\[info\]](#)

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## Remove

Remove internal examinations begin on Monday June 23rd and will last for the entirety of that week. The boys have access to a thorough SharePoint page that details not only practical revision advice, but also contains all the subject guidance for each exam, as well as the exam timetable. There has been impressive engagement with the revision skills programme throughout this academic year, and I am sure the boys will apply all the skills they've learnt in the coming weeks to ensure they revise effectively. [\[info\]](#)

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## Fifth

**iPad End of Lease**

Please could you take a moment to complete the iPad End of Lease form available in MySchoolPortal (Documents and Forms / Forms to Complete) regarding your son's iPad. Full details are in the email sent by [Director of Digital Strategy, Richard Grice](#), before Leave-Away. [\[action\]](#)

**US Universities: SAT Course in Michaelmas Term 2025 (Action required)**

Following the introductory webinars last month, US Universities Counsellor Mr Malcolm Brown is now keen to gauge the level of interest in US university applications, and in particular the SAT course that we aim to run next term. If your son has expressed an interest in studying in the US, however vague, please could you fill in the brief form [here](#) by Monday 16th June. There is absolutely no obligation at this stage, but we do need to get an idea of potential numbers so we can plan accordingly. Mr Brown will provide details of the course and Radley's US universities provision directly to those who sign up. [\[action\]](#)

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on Higher and Degree Apprenticeships, you can read their slides [here](#). **[info]**

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## 6.1

**Higher and Degree Apprenticeships**

If you missed the ASK (Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge Programme) presentation on Higher and Degree Apprenticeships, you can read their slides [here](#). **[info]**

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## 6.2

**Guide to University Clearing**

Please find [here](#) a guide to Clearing from Director of University Entrance, Mr Tom Deasy. Mr Deasy can be contacted [via email](#) if you have any further university-related questions. More information regarding arrangements for A-Level results day will be shared in due course.

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## Mariners' Challenge

Last Sunday's Mariners' Challenge at the Boathouse pitted members of the OR Mariners Boat Club (Legends) against the current First VIII rowing team (Gladiators) in a 500m sprint race along the river. Facing possible attempts at rule-bending from their older peers (Head Coach Patrick Duggan writes, "During a practice start, the Legends unintentionally revealed their hand when a crew member asked, 'Are we doing a cheeky start or a real start?'"). The Gladiators came out on top with a winning margin of just two feet. The event celebrates the life and work of Dr Tim Senior, the former Chairman of the Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race Company whose two sons rowed at Radley. A full write-up from Patrick can be found [here](#).



## Wheeling in the Victory

As a professional race driver, Edward (6.2, L) has been competing in the 2025 Euroformula Open Championship representing Nielsen Racing. Having won April's race in the Algarve International Circuit, he secured another podium finish over the past weekend at Germany's Hockenheimring. Edward calls the success "a solid step towards my championship charge... [it] means I sit 4th in the championship – not far from the leaders." The next Euroformula stage will take him to Hungary's Hungaroring, with other races this year in France, Spain, Italy and Austria.

[Congratulations](#) to Edward for his impressive achievements.



## Best in Field

Radley's CCF divisions took on Field Exercises last Sunday and Monday – the College's Navy Section faced an obstacle



## Best in Show

Radley's famed Beagles had a very successful afternoon at the South of England Hound Show at Ardingly on

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Solent aboard RN cadet training vessel Black Swan. The RAF section was flung into a full-on combat simulation identifying, treating and evacuating casualties from a helicopter. Tim Baldwin comments that proceedings proved “a very enjoyable weekend... [with] a mixture of adventurous activities”.



## Rain Stops Play

Saturday's cricket against Eton saw some excellent Radleian play in the face of meteorological inclemency, a fact entertainingly bemoaned in the day's match reports (“so to Eton, where it was always going to rain and where it did, in fact” (Colts 2), “Radley vs Eton: A Clash the Gods Could Not Allow... as Radley readied for battle with ball in hand, *the heavens themselves rebelled*” (U14D)). The OXIST tennis tournament between Radley, Abingdon School and Magdalen College School had better luck, the U15A and U14A teams completing worthy victories.

(6.1, F), Jack (6.1, A), and Edmund (6.1, L)) won the first and second prize in their Class 21 category, with Mark Milburn and Hannah Hutchings passing judgement and journalist Rory Knight Bruce (a friend of former Radley Warden Dennis Silk) handing over the trophies. Radley also won the prestigious Lawson Salver.



## Situation without President

Radley debated West Point US Military Academy on Saturday, discussing the motion “This House believes it is better to have a Prime Minister than a President”. Chaired by famed American pollster Dr Frank Luntz, the Radley team's support of the UK parliamentary system eventually emerged victorious. DingDing (6.1, D), who recently co-won the national Mace Debating Competition, writes, “This intellectual culture is one that is being cultivated throughout Radley - but a particular thank you to the Politics Department for making this happen.”



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## Biology Challenge

Results from the UKBC online Biology Challenge, undertaken by Removes (and over 43,000 other students globally) on 5th May, have been released, revealing that 47 Radleians have achieved either a

Gold, Silver or Bronze certificate. [Congratulations](#)

to all the boys involved – especially Cayden (R, A), Joe (R, J) and Yat (R, F), who topped the College leaderboard with a score of over 90% across the two multiple choice papers.



## Music to Our Ears

On Thursday evening, Blue Room hosted the final music scholars' recital of the 2024/2025 year. Vitas (6.1, L), Leo (S, J), Harry (V, D), Didrik (R, F), Lorcan (R, B), Thomas (R, H), Harvey (6.1, C), Henry (S, L), and Felix (S, K) filled the space with Bach, Fauré and Handel. Precentor, Sam Gladstone, called the concert "a wonderful occasion - and a chance to see one or two boys in a new light".



## Social Events

Having welcomed Radley's Removes last week to a special barbecue, St Helen and St Katharine School came to the College on Saturday for a sixth-form social in and around Mansion, amid food, firepits, a DJ and a collection of necessarily rainproof marquees. Shells, meanwhile, suited up for a formal black-tie dinner with their peers at Downe House, before taking to



## German Prizes

Congratulations to Charlie (S, G), whose creative translation of the traditional German poem "*Es schneit hurra es schneit*" was chosen as the winning entry in the Southeast for Queen's College Oxford's Anthea Bell Translation Prize. Erik (R, E) was selected this week as runner-up in the Oxford German Olympiad for his self-penned collection of

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doughnuts, a photobooth and Oscar-themed décor.

most fun and worthwhile to make.”



## Hypothesis Hype

Radley boys faced the University of Warwick's National Scientific Thinking Challenge, an online test with questions that don't require any recalled knowledge - only the ability to make deductions, spot trends, and suggest hypotheses. 20 Radleians earned a Gold ranking, with Freddie (R, F), Yaroslav (R, L), Joe (R, J), Aaron (R, A), Jago (R, C), Toby (R,C), Harry (R, J) and Eddie (R, D) all scoring above 90%.



## Biology Field Trip

From 7th – 11th June, a squad of 19 6.1 biologists visited the Dale Fort field centre in the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, observing the area's populations of seabirds, including red-billed choughs, gulls and nearly 50,000 Atlantic puffins (recently billed in a BBC News report as a 'conservation success story'). Built in the mid-19th century as a military installation, Dale Fort has been a hub for analysing Wales's fragile coastal ecosystems since 1948.

# 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 home fixtures.

### Saturday 14th June

Rowing vs Hampton School

Rowing Reading Amateur Regatta

Cricket vs Harrow

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Athletics Oxfordshire Schools' Championships

**Sunday 15th June**

Croquet vs Staff

**Tuesday 17th June**

Golf vs Teddies

Golf vs Abingdon

**Wednesday 18th June**

Golf ISGA Prep Schools Finals

Tennis St. George's Cup

Athletics Oxford Open Meeting

**Thursday 19th June**

Polo vs Cheltenham and Stowe

Croquet vs Charterhouse

## Upcoming Events

**Organ Recital**

Monday 16th June, 8:30pm

*Chapel*

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

**End-of-Year Art Exhibition**

Friday 20th June, 6-7.30pm

*Sewell Centre Gallery*

**Orchestral and Concerto Concert**

Sunday 29th June, 6pm

*Chapel*

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

## Latest Photo Galleries



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**Frank Luntz Debate**



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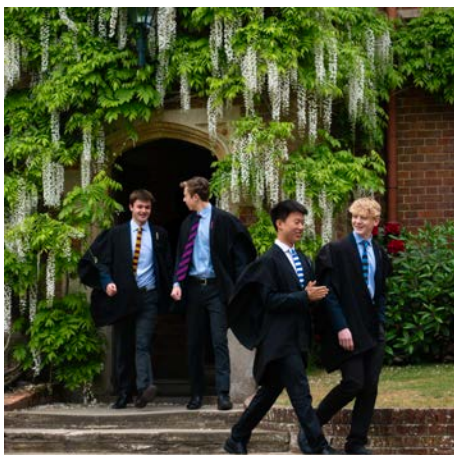


**The Fated Finalists**



## Regatta

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