



RADLEY



## CCF Field Weekend and Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

Last weekend's CCF Field Exercise and Duke of Edinburgh saw record levels of participation from Removes. This term, it was the Army section's turn to undertake its Bronze DofE expedition. The boys prepared their kit, distributed rations, and planned their route, before setting off on an 18km walk from Radley. The walk took them over Boars Hill, through Cumnor and around Farmoor Reservoir before arriving at Hill End where they spent the night. The next day, they took part in a 22km walk around Wytham Woods, back towards Boars Hill and through Bagley Woods before returning to Radley. Some cadets enjoyed the walking so much that they even opted to add a few 'bonus miles' to their route. Congratulations to all of the boys involved, every participant successfully completed the full expedition route and all associated tasks. Meanwhile, the Navy section travelled to Portsmouth, where cadets took part in a range of activities, which included time on the water, and the RAF section headed to the Bramley Training Area for a programme of fieldcraft training. Having completed their Duke of Edinburgh's Awards expedition during last term's Field Exercise, both sections were able to focus on their specialist skills.

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## Pups and Prefects

Congratulations to the new 2026/2027 Pups and Prefects:

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Senior Prefect         | Hamish Kennedy                                                                                         |             |
| Second Prefect         | Rafferty Blacker                                                                                       |             |
| Senior Academic        | Adrien De Gouttes Lastouzeilles                                                                        |             |
| Senior Co-Curricular   | Harry Davies                                                                                           |             |
| A                      | Hort Williams                                                                                          |             |
| B                      | Chris Chipondene                                                                                       |             |
| C                      | Hugo Hodson                                                                                            |             |
| D                      | Douglas Redmayne                                                                                       |             |
| E                      | Archie White                                                                                           |             |
| F                      | Freddy Hunt                                                                                            |             |
| G                      | Thomas Tewes                                                                                           |             |
| H                      | William Cordle                                                                                         |             |
| J                      | Max Muirie                                                                                             |             |
| K                      | Giles England                                                                                          |             |
| L                      | Jasper Howard                                                                                          |             |
| Academic Prefects      | Jacques Fedarb<br>Kaden Gan<br>Daniel Larsen (Partnership Lead)<br>Leonardo Mercado<br>Ethan Su        |             |
| Co-Curricular Prefects | Austin Barnes<br>Jerome Barnes<br>Piran Macdonald Smith<br>Zubyn Mehta<br>Evy Scott (Partnership Lead) |             |

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## Gaudy 2026

We are looking forward to welcoming all of you at Gaudy. The programme for the day is as follows:



## Gaudy 2026

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| 9am – 12.45pm     | Coffee Shop open                                           |
| 9.30am – 11am     | Inter-Social Fast and Furious Cricket semi-finals.         |
| 11.15am – 12.45pm | Gaudy Showtime                                             |
| 12.45pm           | Tutors' Drinks and Speeches (including awarding of prizes) |
| 2pm               | Pipers                                                     |
| 2pm               | Social Picnics (Bigside)                                   |
| 2.15pm            | Big Band Performance (Bigside)                             |
| 2.45pm            | Cricket – Inter-Social Fast and Furious final              |
| 3.15pm            | Live Music (Bigside Marquee)                               |
| 3.30pm            | Leavers' Beer Truck open                                   |

There will be exhibitions as follows during Gaudy Showtime (11.15am - 12.45pm), so please do take the time to visit them:



## Gaudy Showtime 2026

11.15am – 12.45pm  
Refreshments on sale in Coffee Shop

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| <b>Countryside Centre</b>            | Come and visit the Radley College Beagles, and our small but perfectly formed livestock farm – sheep, pigs, goats, poultry and various small animals. There will be plenty of activities – meet the puppies, pig and/or lamb racing, and sheep dog and gun dog demonstrations throughout the morning. Make your way on foot or meet at Clocktower to go by shuttle bus (11.15am and 11.45am). |
| <b>Music Soloists</b>                | Come and listen to our musicians perform in Coffee Shop.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Art Exhibition</b>                | View a selection of artwork by boys and staff on display in the Sewell Centre Gallery.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Design Engineering Exhibition</b> | Visit the workshop to see A-Level and GCSE project work on display.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Robotics Workshop</b>             | See the robots at work in their playground in Queen's Court Foyer.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Radley Zoo</b>                    | Meet our animals in the Biology classrooms in Queen's Court.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Golf Simulator</b>                | Try out the simulator with our 'Nearest the Pin' Challenge (clubs supplied).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Gaudy Archives Exhibition</b>     | Celebrating together since 1853. Find this wonderful exhibition in the Library.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Declamations</b>                  | Performers will reprise their declamations from the competition earlier this year in the Library from 11am – 11.30am.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

# Parent Information

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## All Parents

### Social and Sports Teams Photographs

The Social and sports team photographs taken this year at Radley College are still online and available. To order, please use [this link](#) and enter your email address when prompted. If you have any queries, please feel free to email [Gillman & Soame](#) directly or call on 01869 328200. **[action]**

### Radley Memorial Dedication in Ypres, 25th July

We will be dedicating a new memorial to all those from Radley College who fell in WW1 in St George's, Ypres, at 2.30pm on 25th July. Anyone from the community is very welcome to join us in the church or as we lay a wreath at the Menin Gate during the Last Post Ceremony at 8pm. Visitors should make their own travel arrangements but please register [here](#). Please email [Clare Sargent](#) for more information. **[info]**

### 2026 Tatler Schools Guide Awards

Voting is now open for the 2026 Tatler Schools Guide Awards. Parents can vote for their favourite schools and teachers [here](#). **[action]**

### Donate Henley Stewards' Enclosure Badges for 1st VIII Parents

To enable families of Radley rowers to support their sons at Henley, Mariners or Radley parents who are members of the Stewards' Enclosure are encouraged to [donate any badges](#) they are not using this year. Supporting Radley crews on race days is hugely important, and we want to ensure as many supporters as possible can attend Henley. A donation will be made per ticket, with proceeds going towards the Mariners' Charitable Trust, which supports grassroots rowing across the Thames Valley region. **[action]**

### Family Tennis Barbecue, Saturday 20th June

RCLTC will host the Family Tennis Barbecue and Doubles Tournament at 1pm on Saturday 20th June. Please can those wishing to take part, email [Mr Woodling](#), and also ask your sons to complete the entry form, which has been emailed to all boys. Any family member or friend is welcome to play alongside a current Radleian. This year, a number of Old Radleians will be taking part, celebrating the launch of the Old Radleian LTC. A light barbecue lunch will be served for players and guests. **[action]**

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## **I Wish I'd Known: Young People, Drugs and Decisions. Tuesday 23rd June, 6.30pm**



In the latest edition of our *Talking Heads* series, Deputy Head (Pastoral) Ed James will be talking to Fiona Spargo-Mabbs OBE about summer parties, gatherings and festivals, including the current context for teenage boys in relation to drugs and alcohol. The talk will cover what parents need to know about the risks and factors that affect the decisions boys make and offer advice on how to have meaningful conversations at home about drugs and alcohol with your sons.

Fiona Spargo-Mabbs OBE is Director and Founder of drug education charity the [Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation](#), Chair of the [Drug Education Forum](#) and member of the government's [Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs](#). Fiona founded the DSM Foundation in 2014 in response to the death of her 16-year-old son Dan having taken MDMA. As well as working directly with young people, parents and professionals herself, Fiona is an award-winning author of books for parents of teenagers, and works closely with others to influence change nationally. Please register for the webinar [here](#).

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## **Shell**

The Shells have maintained good spirits through this week's bad weather and many have made a positive start on exam revision. They attended a revision session with Mr Barlass, who spoke about metacognition, 'thinking about thinking', as a powerful study tool. The key themes of his talk were that although the future world of work is unpredictable, skills such as flexible thinking, reflective and creative problem-solving, curiosity, and independent learning will be essential for success. The Shells also showed real maturity during a talk about

to the Remove year and thinking about workload, friendships, sport, and life in Social. If you have any questions, do feel free to [contact me](#) or your son's Form Master. Weather permitting, a busy weekend of sport awaits, including cricket against Harrow and Stowe, tennis against Harrow, a rowing regatta, and athletics fixtures. **[info]**

### **Remove Spanish Exchange to Barcelona, February 2027**

Please find the information on the Barcelona Exchange in February 2027 [here](#). Register your interest for the trip [here](#). **[action]**

### **Next Year's Remove Classics Trip to Italy, March 2027**

Booking is now open for the Remove Classics Trip to Rome and the Bay of Naples from 23rd – 28th March 2027. Full details can be found [here](#). Please contact [Edward Holt](#) if you have any further questions. **[action]**

### **2027 Roman Catholic Confirmation, April 2027**

Parents of Roman Catholic Shells whose son wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next academic year are invited to register their interest with Ms Hurley [here](#). A preparation programme will run in Michaelmas and Lent terms, with the service of Confirmation to be celebrated on the afternoon of Sunday 18th April 2027. **[action]**

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## **Remove**

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## **Fifth**

All GCSE exams will be finished by Monday 15th June. A huge well done to the Fifths for how they have conducted themselves. They have worked hard, and I hope all their work is rewarded in August. A reminder that all boys need to be back in school at 7pm on Sunday 28th June for Futures Week. **[info]**

### **Madrid Trip, September 2026**

school holidays, please contact Mrs Perrett [here](#). **[info]**

### Parents' Meeting, Michaelmas Term

There will be an additional meeting in the Michaelmas Term on Monday 28th September at 7.30pm. Details are listed on the website/back pages of the calendar. **[info]**

### US and European Universities

A standardised test score is required for admissions to top level US Universities and a growing number of European Universities (Bocconi, IE). We are pleased to announce the SAT preparation programme at Radley will begin in the Michaelmas Term. Please read [this letter](#) carefully, which gives further details regarding the preparation course and the test. To sign up for the SAT course, and to indicate your interest in US or other International Universities, please complete [this form](#). For further information please contact [Dr Maria Lebedeva](#) (US Universities and SAT), and [Ms Maud Hurley](#) (other International Universities). **[action]**

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Head of Fifths

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## 6.1

The 6.1s are now busily preparing for their end-of-year exams, which begin next Friday. They have also completed the first draft of their UCAS personal statement and will be receiving feedback from their Form Master, as well as completing the UCAS registration process. I congratulate all those boys who have been appointed to College positions for next year; as always, it was a hard-fought process, and well done to everyone who applied. The 6.1s have a JCR social with St Helen & St Katharine this Saturday, and, thankfully some much-improved weather is on the horizon. **[info]**

### Madrid Trip, September 2026

Regrettably, we are unable to proceed with this trip in September due to insufficient numbers. If any pupils are interested in recommendations for language courses during school holidays, please contact Mrs Perrett [here](#). **[info]**

### Mr Tim Lawson

Head of Sixth Form

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The 6.2s have continued to work incredibly hard since they returned from Leave-Away. Next week, the vast majority will complete their examinations and then enjoy a range of well-deserved post-exam celebrations. We very much look forward to seeing you all at Gaudy. [\[info\]](#)

### **Gaudy: Saturday 4th July 2026**

You should have received your 6.2 Gaudy invitation in the post, which you can also view [here](#). Please RSVP [here](#) if you have not already done so. [\[info\]](#)

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## News



### **Lord Heseltine Visit**

Lord Michael Heseltine visited Radley for a special meal with dons and 6.1 boys, followed by a Q&A session chaired by Arthur (6.1, H) and Giles (6.1, K). "The questions from the floor were first class, and Giles and Arthur chaired proceedings with great skill," commented Head of Politics, Rob McMahon.



### **OX14 Chemistry**

Anant (R, E), William (R, F), Jasper (R, H), and Oliver (R, J) came third in the Year 10 OX14 Learning Partnership Chemistry Challenge at Abingdon School, carefully timing colour changes in the chemicals of a clock reaction. Dominic (S, K) won the Year 9 presentation alongside two non-Radley pupils, discussing the element helium.



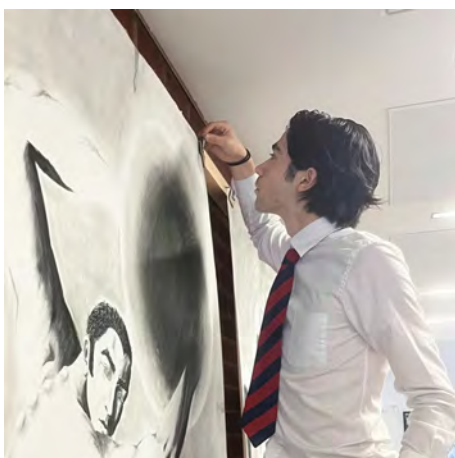
## Shell Play: The Journey

The Shell Play, '*The Journey*', performed by a cast of 32, told the story of a 13-year-old asylum seeker – inspired by Mez, who attended Friday's performance and met members of the cast. The boys created a focussed, committed and emotional performance, handling a challenging topic with maturity.



## Organists' Trip

Seven organ students went to Oxford University to play at Magdalen, Merton, New, Jesus, and Queen's, followed by afternoon tea in the historic Queen's Lane Coffee House. The visit was an inspiration for the boys, some of whom are now considering university organ scholarships.



## New Artwork

Three impressive large-scale drawings by August (6.1, G) are now on display in the History corridor next to Coffee Shop. Taking around 36 hours each to complete, the figures' blind eyes create a one-directional viewing experience, encouraging the viewer to engage with the works in a unique way.



## Beagles on Show

New Beagles Joint Masters, Tom (R, A), Harry (R, H), and Bertie (R, C), showed hounds at the South of England Hound Show in Ardingly. The boys also caught up with former Masters William Stubbs (2016, C) and Harry Gosling (2006, D), now Master of the Dartmoor Hunt.



## Summer League Hockey

Congratulations to both boys and dons for reaching the Manor Flooring Cup quarter-finals following a fantastic run through the group stages. Their impressive performances have secured a place in the last eight of the competition.



## MFL Symposium

6.1 linguists were joined by girls from Downe House and St Helen & St Katharine for the annual MFL Symposium. Pupils discussed current affairs and cultural topics, with student presentations encouraging thoughtful and engaging conversations.

# 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 13th June

Athletics: Oxfordshire Schools' Championships

Cricket v Harrow

Cricket v Stowe

Rowing: Reading Amateur Regatta

Tennis v Harrow

### Sunday 14th June

Rowing: Mariners' Challenge

Tennis v Roehampton Club

### Tuesday 16th June

Cricket v Dean Close

Golf v Bradfield

**Wednesday 17th June**

Athletics: Oxford Open Meeting

Tennis: St George's Cup

## Upcoming Events

### College Musical Concert

Sunday 14th June

*Silk Hall*

*Sold out. Join the waiting list [here](#).*

### Summer Concert including Grieg Piano Concerto

Sunday 28th June

*Silk Hall*

*Book tickets [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](#).



**Shell Play: The Journey**



**CCF Field Weekend**



**Lord Heseltine Visit**



**Bands Night: Acoustic**



**Shell Banquet**



**F Social: Cocoa**

## Latest Videos



**Peter Cook Cup**

## Regatta



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