



RADLEY



West Side Story Concert

The cast of next term's College Musical *West Side Story* previewed the show's iconic songs to a packed Silk Hall, with William (6.1, H), William (V, F), Arthur (6.1, H), and Jasper (6.1, L) starring as Tony, Riff, Bernardo, and Chino. This comes as the College's exiting Director of Drama, Victoria Buse, was awarded honorary membership of the Radleian Society for her years of dedication and outstanding contribution to enriching the lives of Radley boys.

Gaudy 2026

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all to Gaudy. Please do attend as many of the sporting endeavours, exhibitions and performances as possible, and take the opportunity to enjoy all that the College has to offer. For those year groups other than 6.2, the official end of Gaudy is 4pm, although you are, of course, most welcome to stay longer.

The Sub-Warden would like to remind you that, regrettably, past experience shows that a small handful of boys can sometimes get things wrong on the Friday night before Gaudy; as such there will be a Gaudy detention between 3pm and 4pm if necessary. Please do speak to your sons about this, as it would be a great shame to spoil the occasion for you and your families.

We very much hope that it will be a wonderful day, and look forward to seeing you all then.



Gaudy 2026

9am – 12.45pm	Coffee Shop open
9.30am – 11am	Inter-Social Fast and Furious Cricket semi-finals, and Rowing, Tennis and Croquet semi-finals and 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 opens

There will be exhibitions as follows during Gaudy Showtime (11.15am - 12.45pm):



Gaudy Showtime 2026

11.15am – 12.45pm

Refreshments on sale in Coffee Shop

Countryside Centre

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 Clock Tower to go by shuttle bus (11.15am and 11.45am).

Music Soloists

Come and listen to our musicians perform in Coffee Shop.

Art Exhibition

View a selection of artwork by boys and staff on display in the Sewell Centre Gallery.

Design Engineering Exhibition

Visit the workshop to see A-Level and GCSE project work on display.

Robotics Workshop

See the robots at work in their playground in Queen's Court Foyer.

Radley Zoo

Meet our animals in the Biology classrooms in Queen's Court.

Golf Simulator

Try out the simulator with our 'Nearest the Pin' Challenge (clubs supplied).

Gaudy Archives Exhibition

Celebrating together since 1853. Find this wonderful exhibition in the Library.

Declamations

Performers will reprise their declamations from the competition earlier this year in the Library from 11am – 11.30am.

Parent Information

All Parents

Second Hand Uniform

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop continues to be a valuable resource, and we are currently looking for stock for the incoming Shells and Sixth Form pupils joining us in 2026. If you have any Radley attire that is no longer needed, and you would be happy to donate, we would be very grateful. In particular, we are seeking gowns, sports kit, shirts, trousers, blazers and shoes. Please ensure the items are clean, and leave them at the entrance to Mansion or with the Admissions Office in a bag labelled 'Second Hand Uniform'. If you wish to book an appointment to view and purchase second hand uniform, please get in touch via email [here](#). Thank you very much for your continued support and generosity. **[action]**

Family Clay Pigeon Shoot, Sunday 13th September

Radley parents and their families are warmly invited to the Radley College Beagles Clay Pigeon Shoot on Sunday 13th September. The shoot is enjoyed by boys and siblings of all ages 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

NHS Immunisation

Please see information from the NHS Immunisation Team regarding outstanding vaccinations [here](#). **[info]**

Pupils' Own Medication

Please be reminded that no pupil can hold and self-administer ADHD medication. Please ensure that this is handed in to the PHM or Health Centre for safe storage and daily administration. **[info]**

Dragons' Den - The Final, Wednesday 1st July

All are warmly invited to watch the final of Radley's first Dragons' Den on Wednesday 1st July at 8pm in Theatre. With a £1,000 prize and advice from the Dragons for the winner's venture at stake, there is everything to pitch for. **[info]**

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, Saturday 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]**



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](#).

Shell

CCF Climbing Trip, December 2026

The CCF climbing trip will take place between the 8th-10th December 2026. Indoor activities including climbing, bouldering, abseiling, high ropes and caving. Only 18 places are available. More details can be found on the attached [letter](#). If you have any queries, please email [Paul Fernandez](#). The sign up form for the trip is available [here](#).

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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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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 the 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](#)

Universities, please complete [this form](#). For further information please contact [Dr Maria Lebedeva](#) (US Universities and SAT), and [Ms Maud Hurley](#) (other International Universities).
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6.1**End of Term Grades**

Please find a letter regarding the 6.1s end of term grades [here](#).

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News



Shell 100m Record

Alex (S, D) has broken a 41-year-old Shell 100 metres record, clocking in at 11.53 seconds. Next month, he will represent Oxfordshire in the English Schools Championships in Birmingham's Alexander Stadium.



Mariners' Challenge

Over 100 members of the Radley rowing community gathered for the Mariners' Challenge race, where the 1st VIII claimed victory over the OR Mariner crew. 15 boats were also named after prominent OR rowers, and a memorial bench was unveiled for former Radley Boatman, Malcolm Mace.



National Scientific Thinking Challenge

Removes took on the National Scientific Thinking Challenge, alongside 16,000 UK students. Zachary (R, L) was the top Radley contender, scoring 89%, with Jamie (R, B), Kay (R, H), Robbie (R, D), Zac (R, D), Nico (R, C), and Alex (R,C) coming joint second with 87%.



Croquet Club Open Pairs' Competition

Jerome (6.1, B) and Hamish (6.1, A) have won the 2026 Radley College Croquet Club Open Pairs' Competition. After 80 matches over seven weeks, they won the final match over Oliver (6.2, B) and Mr Crump 14-13.



Music Flood

Over 400 young performers from across Oxfordshire played in Silk Hall as part of two Music Flood Orchestral Days, with arrangements by Abingdon Music Centre's Helen Eccleston and support from pupils from Radley, Larkmead, Fitzharrys, John Mason, and Europa.



National Youth Monologue Competition

Luke (R, D) took part in the final of the National Youth Monologue Competition in London's Trafalgar Theatre. "Luke's performance was incredibly engaging and controlled, and he did Radley proud!" commented Director of Drama Victoria Buse.



Britain's Got Talent

Rex (6.1, H) performed on the final of *Britain's Got Talent*, accompanying contestant Rafferty Coope at London's Hammersmith Apollo. Rex also had the opportunity to meet a number of celebrities, including KSI and Rolling Stones guitarist Ronnie Wood.



Cricket v Harrow

Radley's teams faced Harrow on the cricket pitch in what was, for some boys, their final College game. "The lifting exam stress seemingly adding another yard of pace!" read the U18C match report, describing the team's impressive 30-run victory against tough opposition.

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 20th June

Athletics v Marlborough

Cricket v Winchester

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Rowing: Marlow Regatta

Rowing v Teddies

Tennis v Stowe

Friday 26th June

Rowing: Henley Royal Qualifiers

Upcoming Events

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**.



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Cricket v Harrow



Social Prayers: B Social



Mariners' Challenge



Distinction Dining



**French Horn
Masterclass**

Latest Videos



National Schools'
Regatta



Peter Cook Cup

