



RADLEY



Dear Parents,

Since Monday, our boys, staff and colleagues from 25 partner schools across Abingdon and Didcot have been celebrating Music Flood Week. This annual event has a simple aim: music in every school, every day.

Yesterday, we gathered in Abingdon Market Square to unite all the children who have been enjoying musical activities this week. This is a very public statement of the value we place on music and is always a highlight of my year. The children at local primary schools will have benefitted enormously and, as we know from previous years, children choose to learn instruments or join school choirs as a direct result of Music Flood Week.

However, I would like you to think for a moment about the impact this week will have had on our boys. Whether improvising alongside our resident band, leading Inspiration Assemblies in local schools or supporting singing workshops, they will have all stepped outside of their comfort zone this week. In this [video](#) of Joe (R, J) you will witness someone very much at ease demonstrating his guitar and flute to a group of primary school children. Other boys will likely have been more nervous, but they can all be very proud of their achievements and their commitment to widening access to music across our local area.

If you are interested in learning more about Music Flood, please visit the [website](#).

Parent Information

All Parents

Navigating Careers in Investment - Tuesday 8th October

Are you a parent in the investment industry? Join the Radleian Society for an exclusive networking event, where you can share your knowledge and build connections with Old Radleians, former parents, and current Sixth Form boys. Visit the [event page](#) for details, speakers and registration. The event will take place at FTI Consulting (EC1A 4HD) on Tuesday 8th October at 6:30pm.

Roman Catholic Confirmation

Preparation for confirmation is offered to Roman Catholic boys in the Remove year and above. The confirmation will be celebrated by Canon James McAuley, Vicar General of the Diocese of Portsmouth, on Sunday 4th May 2025. Preparation sessions will run weekly in the Lent Term. Parents interested in registering their son to receive the sacrament should contact [Ms Maud Hurley](#). [\[info/action\]](#)

Match Day Arrangements

We will make every effort to publish all teams on [SOCS](#) the evening before scheduled matches. Please bear with us, however, if injuries and late adjustments to selection mean that teams change. If you have any doubt as to which team your son might be in or where and when he is playing, please check with him. For home matches, there is a map of the Radley pitches outside the Round Pavilion which should help you find your son's team, or ask any member of Radley staff to help direct you. Parking is limited this year due to the building project at the heart of campus; please use Kennington Gate and the Golf Club car parks. Everybody is welcome to support matches. Please do so in the right way, and show the warmth of Radley's hospitality to visiting parents, guests and match officials. Parents' match teas will be in the Round Pavilion. Boys may not attend this match tea in sports' kit, so if you wish to see your son while he is in kit, please go to the Coffee Shop. You are welcome to bring dogs on to campus but please clear up after them using the bins provided, and keep dogs on the lead whilst on the pitches on match days; there is a footpath loop around Little Wood (at the far end of the pitches) should you wish to exercise them further. No dogs are allowed in the Round Pavilion. Radley is a no-smoking campus (even out on the pitches); all visitors should adhere to this. We hope that you will enjoy watching your sons play matches over the year.

We are always delighted to see parents supporting fixtures. You will have noticed that work has started on the extension and refurbishment of the Music School. As such, car parking spaces have decreased around the College. We kindly ask that parents and visitors adhere to the parking plan to ensure that emergency services can access the roads around the College safely at any given time. If your son is playing at home, the document below will help you to find your son's team and the closest parking area. If you have any questions when you arrive, please speak to any member of Radley staff. The parking plan is available [here](#).

Beagles Fundraiser

The Radley College Beagles are hosting a Countryside Sportsman's Evening on Thursday 31st October at the Cavalry and Guards Club, Piccadilly. We warmly welcome all parents who have a passion for the countryside, not just the Beagles. The evening will incorporate the Mike Linnell Horn Blowing Competition, which is open to current and former huntsmen, masters and followers of the College, university and forces packs, and will include competitors from Ampleforth, Stowe and Eton. For tickets, please get in touch via [email](#).

Bulletin Mailing List

At the start of each term, we refresh the Bulletin mailing list. This is a complicated process and involves transferring data from the College database to our mailing software. Occasionally, email addresses are missed. Therefore, we kindly ask that you speak with your husband/wife/guardian to ensure the relevant people are receiving Bulletin. If not, they may need to check their Junk Mail in the first instance and/or add communications@radley.org.uk to their safe sender list. If this doesn't eradicate the issue, please complete [this form](#) and we will add you to the list manually. Thank you in advance for your support and patience.

Shell

Influenza Vaccination

The NHS School Immunisation team will be visiting Radley on Wednesday 13th November to offer the annual seasonal Influenza nasal spray vaccination to Shells, Removes and Fifths. As ever, the School Nursing team will require parents or guardians to complete their online consent form. As this is pertaining to your son's healthcare, the Health Centre will email it directly to you next week. **[action]**

Shell Parent Meeting

The Shell Parent Meeting will take place on Sunday 4th May. Further information will be shared in due course. **[info]**

The Haddon Cup - Sunday 29th September

Mrs Rebecca Beattie

Head of Shells

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Remove

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CCF Introduction Letter

Mr Paul Fernandez has written a letter to Remove parents about the Combined Cadet Force programme which is compulsory for Remove boys. It is available to read [here](#). **[action]**

Catholic Confirmation

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Remove Parent Meeting

The Remove Parent Meeting will take place at Radley on Sunday 2nd February. Arrangements for overseas parents who are unable to attend will be shared in due course. **[info]**

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Head of Removes

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Fifth

Influenza Vaccination

ever, the School Nursing team will require parents or guardians to complete their online consent form. As this is pertaining to your son's healthcare, the Health Centre will email it directly to you next week. **[action]**

Fifth Form Parent Meeting

The Fifth Form Parent Meeting will take place on Friday 14th February. Further information will be shared in due course. **[info]**

Mrs Jo De Ritter

Head of Fifths

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6.1

Influenza Vaccination

As you are aware, we offer an annual Influenza vaccination to all boys and staff at Radley. We find this can be particularly beneficial in keeping the community fit and well, particularly with upcoming exams and general workload. As the boys in the Sixth Form are now 16, they are able to consent for this themselves. We appreciate the important role that parents and family play in healthcare decisions and want to work collaboratively with you. With this in mind, we ask that you have a conversation about vaccinations with your son, particularly if you have strong feelings about him receiving this vaccination. Given that this is a communication about healthcare, you will receive an email directly from the Health Centre about this next week.

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Work Experience in Beijing - All Expenses Paid

JD.com, one of China's top e-commerce companies, is offering two weeks of work experience for a group of 6.1s from Monday 7th July to Saturday 19th July 2025. Boys will gain first-hand insight into the operations of a leading tech firm, exploring creativity, innovation, and complex logistics, plus an opportunity to immerse themselves in Chinese culture. The application process, launched to 6.1s last week, is competitive, providing a valuable preview of the real-world internship and job application process. The application deadline is Monday 30th September. **[info]**

PSHE & RSE

Radley is committed to delivering high quality, age appropriate, and up to date PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) and RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) to all pupils. This term, 6.1 boys will be attending several talks given by hugely experienced in-house and external specialists. On Friday 8th November, [100 & First](#)

mental health. On Friday 29th November, Chloe Combi will be speaking about [The Respect Project](#). Our [PSHE Policy](#) is published on the Radley Website. If you would like to comment on any aspect of our PSHE or RSE provision, or if you have any questions, please contact [Miss Suzie-Louise Naylor](#). [\[info\]](#)

6.1 Parent Meeting

The 6.1 Parent Meeting will take place on Thursday 24th April. Further information will be shared in due course. [\[info\]](#)

Radley Connect - Consent Required

The Radleian Society runs an online business network called Radley Connect. Sixth Form boys are eligible to join the platform, but parental consent is required. If you are completely new to Radley in the Sixth Form, you can find a welcome letter and additional information about the Radleian Society [here](#). Parents of boys who were at Radley in the Fifth Form can find relevant information [here](#). [\[action\]](#)

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6.2

Influenza Vaccination

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University Open Day Policy

It is great to hear that so many 6.2s are excited to be visiting universities. I reattach the College policy [here](#) and would appreciate any efforts that can be made to minimise the impact on lessons and College activities. Where possible, if a university is also offering an open day during a holiday, it would be preferable if this opportunity could be taken. [\[info\]](#)

Radley is committed to delivering high quality, age appropriate, and up to date PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) and RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) to all pupils. This term, the 6.2 will be attending several talks given by hugely experienced in-house and external specialists. On Friday 27th September, Alexandra Gooch from [Billing Finance](#) will talk about personal finance. On Friday 8th November, [100 & First Foundation](#) will be speaking about leadership and resilience (the first of six workshops). On Friday 6th December, Dick Moore from the [Charlie Waller Trust](#) will be speaking about mental health. Our [PSHE Policy](#) is published on the Radley Website. If you would like to comment on any aspect of our PSHE or RSE provision, or if you have any questions, please contact [Miss Suzie-Louise Naylor](#). [\[info\]](#)

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6.2 Parent Meeting

The 6.2 Parent Meeting will take place on Friday 24th January. Further information will be shared in due course. [\[info\]](#)

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News



A Year in Pictures

We are delighted to share the new edition of *A Year in Pictures*. The College produced its first photobook in 2022 to mark the 175th anniversary and we received such positive feedback that we decided to make it an annual publication. We hope you will enjoy flicking through the pages, spotting some familiar faces and reminiscing on some wonderful moments from the 2023/24 academic year. *A Year in Pictures* also acts as the College's prospectus to show families the 'real' Radley, a school brimming with energy, purpose and fun. If you can't wait for the hard copy, a digital version is available [here](#).



Music Flood Week

Our thanks to all the boys and staff who helped to make Music Flood Week such a roaring success. Those who attended the Bollywood Brass Band concert on Thursday evening will, I'm sure, remember it for a very long time. Photos taken across

Last week we shared the Radley Foundation's Impact Report for 2024. Mosese (V, E), whose place at Radley is supported by donors, has recorded a video interview about his time at Radley so far. The interview is available to view [here](#).



Colts and Will Stuart

After their impressive 53-14 victory over Epsom College on Saturday, the Colts team were greeted by a smiling Will Stuart (2009, D), who was at the College for Old Radleian Day. He spent some time chatting with the boys about their performance and their ambitions for the season ahead.

Photos are available [here](#).



My Radley Returns

My Radley, our ongoing series of interviews with long-serving members of staff, continues with our Deputy Head Groundsman, Gary Austin. Gary first came to Radley in 2002 and, other than a two-year stint at Pangbourne College, has been here ever since. The interview is available to read [here](#).



Edward Accelerates



Rugby vs Cokethorpe

Bull Ring and Barcelona rounds with Team Motopark. Edward previously competed in the GB3 competition and this is a significant step up in his driving career. A full press release, with Edward's thoughts on the move, is available [here](#).



Clay Pigeon Shoot

A record number of boys and parents came together for the annual Clay Pigeon Shoot in aid of the Radley College Beagles. An enjoyable day was had by all, but especially the prize-winners!

Congratulations to A Social who won the Atty Beor-Roberts Trophy (most entries). J Social won the George Stephenson Trophy (highest average score) and the Gascoigne Cup for the highest individual score for a Radley boy was shared between Charlie (R, A) and James (S, D). Full results are available [here](#) and photographs are available [here](#).

53-7 on Wednesday afternoon. Radley Video filmed the fixture, which is available [here](#). It has come to our attention that opposition teams are 'scouting out' our performances prior to fixtures, so we have decided to restrict access to matches this year. Please keep this link private. Photos of the match are available [here](#).



Radleians at the Proms

Viewers of the Last Night of the Proms may have caught a glimpse of Alex Hardy (2016, D/L), a former Head of Chapel Choir at Radley, singing as part of the BBC Symphony Chorus. Earlier in the season Wallace (6.1, E) was involved in a stunning performance of Mahler's *Symphony No. 1* as part of the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain. Both performances are available on [iPlayer](#).

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 new Music School, parking is restricted at home fixtures. Please consult the **Parking Plan**.

Tuesday 24th September

Golf vs Abingdon

Squash vs Charterhouse

Thursday 26th September

Basketball vs Abingdon

Golf: Wellington/Bradfield/Radley Triangular

Rackets vs St Paul's

Real Tennis vs Canford

Friday 27th September

Swimming: ESSA National Relays

Upcoming Events

Michaelmas Weekend

Friday 20th September, 12:40pm

*Socials***Michaelmas Weekend Ends**

Monday 23rd September, 9pm

*Socials***The Haddon Cup**

Sunday 29th September, 5pm

*Theatre – parents welcome, info [here](#)***Navigating Careers in Investment**

Tuesday 8th October, 6:30pm

*FTI Consulting - 6.1, 6.2 and parents welcome, register [here](#)***Leave-Away**

Friday 18th October, 12:40pm

Socials

Sunday 3rd November, 9pm

Socials

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 10th November, 10:45am

Chapel & Memorial Arch – details to follow

College Musical: *Les Misérables*

Wednesday 13th November – Saturday 16th November, 7:45pm

Theatre – tickets available soon

Latest Photo Galleries

We are grateful to all of our professional 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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Rugby vs Epsom



Clay Pigeon Shoot



Campus



Code of Conduct



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Latest Videos



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Mosese's Story



Tug of War



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