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Happy New Year and welcome to the Lent term.

Watch the Warden's new year message here.

# Parent Information

# **All Parents**

### Private View: Ways of Working - Printmaking by Janet Lueck

The new exhibition at the Sewell Centre Gallery opens with a private view this evening, from 6-8pm - all welcome! A member of the Oxford Printmakers Co-operative, Janet Lueck specialises in creating collagraph prints in strong tonal colours. She is also interested in the layering process of combining monoprint, drypoint, collagraph, Chine-Colle, collage, chalk and watercolour, resulting in prints which are truly multi-media in nature. The exhibition will run until 13th February. More information is available <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Senior Book Group**

This term's Senior Book Group, open to staff, Sixth Form, Vths and any interested parents,

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shocking, compelling and challenging. A novel that divided critical opinion upon its publication, *HHhH* will ask difficult questions of its readers. Contact Mr Nash via <u>email</u> for more details.

# Shell

#### **PSHE and RSE**

This term, Shells will continue to focus on health and wellbeing, and on developing key interpersonal skills. Joe Sparks will be speaking to them about developing positive relationships and self-esteem (Friday 7th March) and Chloe Combi will be speaking to them about relationships and <a href="The Respect Project">The Respect Project</a> (Friday 7th February). All pupils will be participating in our Safer Internet Day 2025 on Tuesday 11th February and <a href="Karl Hopwood">Karl Hopwood</a> will be speaking to Shells about Digital Competency on Friday 31st January. Our <a href="PSHE/RSE">PSHE/RSE</a> <a href="Policy">Policy</a> 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 <a href="Miss Suzie-Louise">Miss Suzie-Louise</a> <a href="Maylor">Maylor</a>. [info]

#### Mrs Rebecca Beattie

Head of Shells

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# Remove

# Parents' Meeting

Please read the letter, available <u>here</u>, which contains important information about the Remove Parents' meeting on Sunday 2nd February 2025. **[info/action]** 

### **PSHE and RSE**

This term, Removes will be focusing on employment and finance. They will be working with our <u>Futures team</u> to develop a better understanding of employability skills. All pupils will be participating in our Safer Internet Day 2025 on Tuesday 11th February and <u>Karl Hopwood</u> will be speaking to Removes about Digital Competency on Friday 31st January.

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### Mr Alan Chandrachud

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# **Fifth**

Welcome back to all the Fifths and good luck with their First Phase of Mocks which start on Monday.

Here are some key dates to be aware of this term:

- 16th January 2025 A-level choices briefing for the Fifths (boys only).
- 29th January 2025 A-level choices deadline. (This is after the exeat, in the hope you can discuss your son's choices with him before he submits the form.)
- 14th February 2025 Vth Form Parents' Meeting (more details to follow next week).
- Monday 3rd March Wednesday 12th March 2025 Phase 2 Mocks.
- 16th March French real oral exams start.
- 23rd March German and Spanish real oral exams start.
- 29th June 3rd July 2025 Futures Week (boys must be back in social by 7pm on Sunday 29th June).

#### **PSHE and RSE**

For much of this term, Fifths will be focussing on developing effective working strategies and on working towards personal goals. In addition, on Friday 17th January, our lead nurse Alex Gilley and her husband, Rob, a local paramedic, will be speaking to Fifths about alcohol, drugs and managing risky situations. Our <u>PSHE/RSE policy</u> 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 <u>Miss Suzie-Louise Naylor</u>. [info]

#### Mrs Jo De Ritter

Head of Fifths

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# 6.1

## **University Application Preparation**

Please read the letter, <u>available here</u>, from Mr Tom Deasy, Director of University Entrance. [info/action]

US Universities: Briefing webinars for parents of 6.1 boys - Monday 20th January

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works, and how Radley can assist boys interested in applying, I will be doing a webinar on Monday 20th January. To accommodate different time zones, there will be two identical sessions. Do feel free to join, even if your son has not (yet) expressed an interest in studying in the US.

To register for the webinar from 1330-1415 UK time, please click <u>here</u> To register for the webinar from 1900-1945 UK time, please click <u>here</u>

Please email Mr Malcolm Brown for further information. [info / action]

### **Alternatives to University Webinar**

For students and parents who are thinking about alternatives to university, such as apprenticeships and school leaver programmes, we would like to draw your attention to a Webinar hosted by Abingdon School which will take place via Zoom on Thursday 16th January, 8pm to 8.40pm. You can sign-up via <a href="think">this link</a>. <a href="tink">[info / action]</a>

#### **PSHE and RSE**

This term, there are a range of PSHE/RSE talks including talks by Charlie Batty (OR) who will be speaking about entrepreneurship to 6.2 (Friday 10th January). All Sixth Form pupils will be participating in a workshop on Resilience. This is the second of three workshops given by 100 and First Foundation. All Sixth Form pupils will be participating in our Safer Internet Day 2025 on Tuesday 11th February. Karl Hopwood will be speaking to 6.1 about Digital Competency on Friday 31st January. Our PSHE/RSE 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]

### **Mr Tim Lawson**

Head of Sixth Form TCL@radley.org.uk

# 6.2

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# News





Kelvin (6.1, C) turned in a fantastic performance in the 2024 British

Mathematical Olympiad Round 1 - facing tricky questions concerning blackboard games, card tricks and sugar cube stacks, his score of 57/60 was in the top ten of all entrants. Kelvin's success continues as, after some excellent exam results at the IMO Winter School in Hungary, he will represent the UK in February's Romanian Master of Mathematics competition.



# **Shell Trip to Salzburg**

The German department headed to
Austria with 19 Shells at the end of term.
Boys practised the language and learned
about local customs. The itinerary
included a salt mine, historic tours, a
professional ice hockey match and an
evening baking session with local chefs in
addition to visits to the festive Christmas
markets.

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# **Rackets Success**

Laszlo (R, C) defended his Jim Dear (U15) national title with a hard-fought victory in the final. Laszlo became only the second player in the competition's history to win the title on two occasions, keeping his unbeaten record at Queen's intact.

Nathan (6.1, L) reached the semi-final of the Foster Cup. A great effort as a 6.1 to be in the top four U18 players in the country.



# **Miles for Louie**

Mark Greenaway, multi-trade technician in our Maintenance team, has raised over a thousand pounds for <u>Sands</u>, the stillbirth and neonatal death charity in memory of his stillborn son, Louie. Mark aimed to walk 25 miles during December, and initially hoped to raise £150. He actually managed 90 miles and is now planning a half marathon later this year. If you would like to support Mark, you can find his Just Giving page <u>here</u>.



# **Oxfordshire Toy Bank**

Having raised £1250 for the Oxfordshire
Toy Bank before Christmas, D Social
were visited by the charity's founder, John
Houston, for their weekly Social Prayers.
The boys were told how their donation



# **Etihad Football Camp**

29 Radley footballers attended a threeday Pre-season Camp at Manchester City's Etihad training complex earlier this week. Training sessions with Football Academy Coaches were interspersed with

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supports. Houston also discussed his offshoot initiative supporting men's mental health, the Cornermen.

Mikael (6.2, K) and Chris (V, B), and the Juniors' Seb (R, L) and William (R, F), were singled out as the 'players of the week'.



# Gloucester 'Shedheads'

A chance chat during Cocoa led to D
Social taking a trip to Gloucester's
Kingsholm Stadium, to watch the opening
rugby fixture of the European Challenge
Cup. Boys from all year groups weathered
Storm Darragh from the comfort of the
stadium's iconic North Stand, also known
as the Shed. Luckily for D Social, the
home team beat Edinburgh 15-10, and
the boys left Kingsholm as fully formed
'Shedheads'.



# **Steeplechase**

Last term's Steeplechase saw the expected mix of mud, sweat and cheers, as part of Radley's Christmas crosscountry tradition. George (S, F), James (R, K) and William (6.1, K) took first place in the Juniors (Shells), Inters (Removes and Fifths) and Seniors (6th Form) races respectively, while G Social claimed the top position in overall points (followed by D and F Socials). Congratulations to everyone who took part and is now presumably training for the 2025 instalment...

# 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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## **Saturday 11th January**

Football vs MCS - likely to be cancelled post pitch inspections later today Hockey vs Lord Wandsworth - cancelled

# **Sunday 12th January**

Football vs Old Boys Real Tennis vs Hardwick

## **Thursday 16th January**

Basketball vs Marlborough Rackets vs Marlborough Real Tennis vs Wellington Squash vs Eton

# **Upcoming Events**

Private View: Ways of Working - Printmaking by Janet Lueck

Friday 10th January, 18:00 - 20:00 Sewell Centre Gallery

## 6.2 Parents' Meeting

Friday 24th January, 12noon *Theatre Foyer* 

## **Hilary Weekend**

Friday 24th January, 12:40pm *Socials* 

## **Hilary Weekend Ends**

Monday 27th January, 9pm Socials

### **Remove Parents' Meeting**

Sunday 2nd February, 11:30am *Theatre Foyer* 

### **Fifth Form Parents' Meeting**

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# 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 <a href="Flickr.">Flickr.</a>



**Carol Service** 



**Christmas Concert** 



**Steeplechase** 



**The Winter Jam** 

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# Latest Videos



**Campus from the Air** 



**Christmas Highlights** 



**The Winter Jam** 



**Radley Tour Film** 















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