

RAD NEWS

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KEEP
CALM
AND
STUDY
FOR EXAMS

Good Luck to all our Year 11 and Sixth Form Students



Headteacher's update ...

And so it begins ... We are now well into exam season with our Year 11, 12 and 13 students attending masterclasses and exams on a daily basis. This is always an emotional time of year as we say goodbye and good luck to our Year 13 students and celebrate their time here.

Year 11 also go on study leave from this week, following their Leaver's Assembly, which the staff enjoy as much as the students. Year 10 and 12 students will also be completing their summer mock exams, so please check out revision advice on our website.



Summer is a busy time for trips and visits and it was lovely to hear how Year 7 and 8 students learnt about recycling first hand.

There are a number of trips and visit taking place over the next few weeks, including the German trip who leave at 5am on the Monday morning after the half term break. Ich wünsche euch eine gute Reise.

Such memorable moments are so important throughout education and I am very pleased to announce that staff are also busy planning the first Immersion Day on Thursday 19 July, where different departments are working together to plan varied learning activities. Details of the activities for each year group will be released nearer the time.

Another memorable time our Year 10 students had was Work Experience. So many students not only completed the two weeks, but they were so successful, employers could not praise the students enough. Some employers have made offers of apprenticeships or part-time employment. Many spoke so highly of our students, saying they were the 'Best student they've ever had'. Congratulations to our Year 10 students on completing your Work Experience placements.

I am so pleased to have been part of the first committee meeting of the Friends of The Radcliffe School. The committee is now officially up and running with so many exciting ideas being discussed. The next meeting will be on 6 June at 6pm and there are still vacancies for committee members, so if anyone would like to join, please email Mrs Day, a.day@radcliffeschool.org.uk.

And finally ... Congratulations to all of our 'Stars of the Term and Prides of each House'. The assemblies this week have had such a wonderfully positive atmosphere tinged with just a little sadness as our Year 11 Head Boys and Girls hand over to the new Head Boys and Girls from Year 10. They will be a hard act to follow and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Year 11 Head Boys and Girls for all of their hard work this year and wish the new team all our best wishes for the coming year.

I would like to wish you all a lovely half-term break

Mrs Lawson

GDPR

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) isn't the most exciting of topics, but it's an important one. GDPR aims to give people back control of their personal data and simplifies and strengthens data protection for individuals.

The Radcliffe School will be emailing all parents/guardians for whom we currently hold an email address, and have previously received Newsletters and/or general school correspondence emailed to them. This is because the new regulations mean that we need your permission to continue sending you extra information about school, such as when we email the newsletter home. When it comes to statutory information, such as providing feedback on your child's progress at school, we don't need your consent for this and will continue to send you these details while your child is at The Radcliffe School.

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What A Rubbish Trip... to the Milton Keynes Recycling Factory! Materials Recovery Facility? What's that? What do you mean don't sit on the grass? MILTON KEYNES Hey! Has anyone seen my Diet Coke can? C'mon you lot, sort it out!



WOW! This really is the most rubbish trip I've ever been on!



On Thursday, the 3rd of May, the English Key Stage 3 Accelerated Learning Club visited Milton Keynes Materials Recovery Facility (the recycling factory), situated in Old Wolverton. The students have been improving their 'non-fiction' writing skills with learning around the theme of 'Plastics in the Ocean. A visit to a recycling centre was the ideal opportunity to gather information on what we, as a community, do to recycle our waste, in particular, plastic. Here are some of things the students had to say about the visit:

When we went on a tour of the factory, we had to wear bright jackets, a helmet and headphones because of how loud it was.

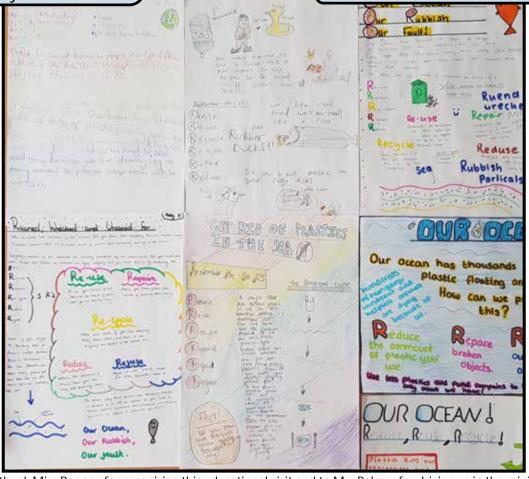
When recycling, the rubbish is sorted into plastic, paper, cardboard and metals. Some is sorted automatically by machines but some has to be sorted by hand.

The best part of this trip was the recycling game, we had to sort the different materials that came down the conveyor belt.

We learned how to recycle stuff and what not to. You cannot recycle broken wine glasses and mirrors, so don't put them in your blue recycling box. You also cannot recycle dirty nappies!

Eventually, when the rubbish is sorted into the different materials, it is made into 1x1x1 metre cubes. These cubes are then sold and transported to other factories to be made into new things.

Outside the factory, it really smells!



We would like to thank Miss Rooney for organising this educational visit and to Mrs Palmer for driving us in the mini-bus, and accompanying us on the trip.

UKMT Junior Challenge 2018

The Year 8 along with a select group of Year 7s wrote the UKMT Junior Challenge in April. We are immensely proud of their achievements and look forward to coming years where we trust they will continue to go from strength to strength.



The qualifying scores are as follows:

BRONZE 49-60 SILVER 61-74 GOLD 75+

Junior Maths Olympiad 105+ Junior Kangaroo (UK only) 82+

Below is a list of the students who took part and the certificate they achieved:

Tom	Young	Best in School; Best In Year; Gold; JKANG QUALIFIED
Alister	Scott	Gold; JKANG QUALIFIED
Matthew	Harrington law	Gold
Maira	Usmani	Silver
Jacob	Du Rose Knowles	Silver
Alexei	Vitosinschi	Silver
Tilly	Brown	Silver
Ethan	Murrill	Silver
Hayden	Crook	Silver
Amelie	Ingrouille	Silver
Riley	West	Silver
Paigan	Huish	Bronze
Charlie	Flowers	Bronze
Holly	Lockwood	Bronze
Maddie	Milo-Pears	Bronze
Megan	Conisbee	Bronze
Sophie	Mead-Payne	Bronze
Hannah	Stanton	Bronze
Thomas	Bisson	Bronze
Frankie	Thompson	Bronze
Dayyan	Trigo	Bronze
Harry	Yeo	Best In Year; Gold; JKANG QUALIFIED
Zaki	Jaffari	Bronze
Henry	Lewis	Bronze
Edward	Taylor	Bronze

The follow up Kangaroo challenge will be held on 12 June 2018 in the morning.

Mrs J Murray KS3 Maths Co-Ordinator

Modern Foreign Languages

Linguist of the Half Term

Congratulations to the following students, who have shown exceptional progress and effort in their Languages lessons:

KS3 French - Maia Onnis

KS4 French - Olivia Beckett

KS3 German - Louie Goddard

KS4 German - Evie Davis

Vocab Express Global Competition

Our biannual Vocab Express Lunch is taking place on
Friday 25 May. Our top 25 students have been invited to join us for some pizza, to celebrate their achievement.

GCSE Exams

GCSE exams have started for Languages, with students sitting exams in French, Latin, Japanese and German. We wish all of our students lots of luck!

Remember, you need to be practising vocabulary as often as possible, using Vocab Express, Quizlet or Linguascope – see your teacher for the password or for any additional resources you need for your revision.

German Trip - 4 - 8 June 2018

Straight after half term, we are off to Cologne! Please remember to bring Passports and EHICs with you on Monday morning.



VOCABEXPRESS

GLOBAL CHALLENGE

French Trip 2019

Is now full! Please see Miss Trochu for any further details.







Humanities

Year 10 Trip to The Globe Theatre

This term the History department has been busy planning the trip schedule for the summer term. First up is a cross curricular trip with the English department to the Globe theatre as part of the History departments course investigating Elizabethan England. Students in Year 10 will have the opportunity to take part in specific course crafted lectures, have access to resources that will enrich their understanding of the past and help them with a compulsory part of their examinations next year. They will also take part in a Macbeth workshop and a tour of the Globe itself, which forms a part of their core subject knowledge for the English examinations. The trip will take place on the 14 June and we hope to see many students taking advantage of this opportunity.

Letters can still be collected from History teachers. Money and medical forms must be returned to Mr Baker, and while spots for History students are reserved this will run on a 'first come first served' basis for non-History students.

Year 8 Trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum

The year 8s will also have the opportunity to take part in our yearly outing to the Duxford Imperial War museum. This will be running on the 26 June and will be a rewards trip for those students who have shown a commitment to studying History and an enthusiasm for the subject.



This trip has been a popular event for the History department in recent years and we look forward to seeing our young Historians developing their curiosity for History. Letters will be handed out shortly to the students in question and should be returned ASAP.

Art and Photography

Over the last 3 weeks, the Art and Photography GCSE and A-level exams have been taking place. We have had Year 11, 12 and 13 students sitting their long awaited exams and they've all done really well. The department has been a buzzing hive of creativity.

We have had students experimenting with lots of different media-including photography, textiles, sculpture and clay. Alyssa, one of our Year 13 Art students has created two life size figures out of cello tape, which have been filled with ping pong balls. This piece represents the feeling of entrapment and emotions which go alongside this. **Millie Hodgson** in Year 13 Photography created a fantastic series of photographs, showing the stages of a bike being wrapped in red electrical tape.





This year our students seem to have really embraced the opportunity to stretch the boundaries, test new ideas and experiment with different materials.

As a department we are always amazed at the creativity and individuality of our students and have really enjoyed working alongside such gifted individuals.



We congratulate them all in completing their GCSEs or A-levels and wish them all the best with their future adventures.







Year 7 students success - Milton Keynes Rugby Club Under 12s

Three Year 7 students recently attended a National Rugby Tournament, representing their club team, Milton Keynes Rugby Club Under 12s, as part of an organised Club Tour for over 120 children and young players across 6 different age groups.

The Under 12s team took part in the Tigers Challenge. Organised by Premiership side Leicester Tigers, over 200 youth and mini rugby teams from all over the UK take part in an action packed weekend to close the season, in Minehead.

The Tigers Challenge is a professionally organised rugby tournament for U7 – U14 boys teams and U13 – U15 girls teams, and features a celebrity presentation ceremony to close the festival featuring Premiership and International players.

Congratulations to **Edward Taylor** (Hayes House); **Jonah Couchman** (Cowper House) and **Jack Mawson** (McConnell House) who are all members of Milton Keynes Rugby Club Under 12s squad and played a key part role with 14 other team mates over the two days.

Edward Taylor was also further awarded 'Player's Player of the Season' at the club's end of season Under 12s Presentation day a week later.

Well done to all three boys who also proudly represent The Radcliffe in their squad!







Work Experience

Record breaking number of Year 10 students are nominated for special recognition for Work Experience

Year 10 Students recently attended an Assembly to celebrate the success of this year's Work Experience. Earlier this year Students went on a two week placement and a record number of students – 197 - successfully completed their placements – that's 98% of the year group!

Work experience placements took place with all sorts of employers including schools, nurseries, farms, offices, shops, garages, hotels, hairdressers, vets, engineering companies, gyms, hospitals, chemists, restaurants, coffee shops, bakeries, charities and graphic designers. Students didn't just confine themselves to Milton Keynes, we had students travelling to London, Spain and we even had one student who went to USA.

The following 99 students were nominated by their form tutors and employers for special recognition – now that really is a record number!

Faizan	Abid	Jasmine	Gates	Cleo	Munns
Maisa	Ahmad	Morgan	Gladwin	Ella	Murphy
Cora	Ainsworth	Barney	Goodman	Imogen	Myrie
Sadiq	Ali	Aidan	Green	Iman	Naqvi
Kalson	Allamagan	Nirvana	Harmes	Annie	Norton
Amama	Arshad	Josh	Harnden	Mollie	Nutt
Emma	Baitey	Sophie	Harrington Law	Chloe	Old
Alicia	Baker	Jazmin	Hewlett	Jack	O'Sullivan
Claudia	Bernard	Natalie	Hudman	Sam	Pattinson
Caitlin	Bird	Hina	Hussain	Emma	Quinn
Theodore	Blakeston	Fatheha	Ilias	Afritha	Rafeek
Rebecca	Bradburn	Haleema	Iqbal	Herbie	Read
Olly	Browning	Tor	Johansen	Rida	Riaz
Ella	Carey	Hussein	Karanda	Peter	Roder
Kristy	Carvell	Abubaker	Khalifa	Aleema	Sabir
Charlie	Chambers	Scott	King	Nico	Sanchez-Gijon Hagan
Sam	Coffey	Courtney	King-Fresco	Suleman	Siddiq
Annelise	Collier	Jack	Leahy	Yusuf	Siddiq
Phoebe	Copestake	Liwia	Ledwon	Foster	Sizmur
Jonah	Davies	Taylor	Lowe	Finnian	Slaney
Eve	Davis	Libby	Madeley	Joseph	Smith
Louis	Day	Suniya	Mahmood	Darcie	Stimpson
Layton	Dobson	Haider	Majeed	Katie	Thompson
Kirstie	Downey	Joshua	Max-Grant	Rachel	Thompson
Jamie	Drinkwater	Lewis	McBride	Phoebe	Titchmarsh
Corrie	Essex	Tyler	McGregor	Harley	Tonks
Tominiyi	Fagbuyi	Millie	McKeith	Connor	Tooley
Jasmine	Flach	Finlay	McMahon	Tamzin	Trayner
Hayley	Forman	Artaza	Mehmood	Loren	Waddon
Emma	Freeman	Dominik	Michulec	Georgina	Walsh
Silas	Frost	Tyler	Miller-Lincoln	Destiny	Welch
Georgia	Gaffee	Caitlyn	Moore	Lillian	Wenham
Asha	Gatehouse	Spencer	Morris	Jessica	Yeo

From these nominations the following 16 received an award to recognise the outstanding feedback we had from employers and form tutors.

Congratulations to:

Josh Harnden	Olly Browning	Corrie Essex	Tor Johansen
Claudia Bernard	Caitlin Bird	Emma Quinn	Imogen Myrie
Theo Blakeston	Tomi Fagbuyi	Aiden Green	Jamie Drinkwater
Amama Arshad	Asha Gatehouse	Liwia Ledwon	Darcie Stimpson

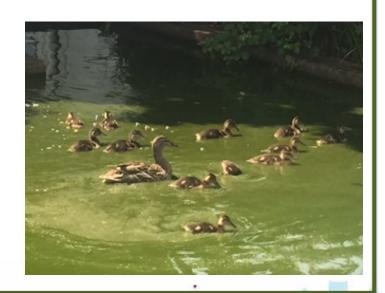
Work Experience 2019



And the process starts all over again ... this year's Year 9s will be going out on work experience 4 – 15 February 2019. The process starts at the end of this term - students will be given read only access to the work experience database over the summer – further details will be sent home after half term.

Ducklings update

Thank you for all interest in our ducklings this year. We have 13 ducklings that are thriving in our Memorial Garden. They move so fast we could only capture 12 in the picture!







Messages of Hope Shells

They have arrived!! Messages of hope shells, sculptured by some of our sixth formers, were finally ready to be placed in the new community gardens in the heart of our school.











This is the first step into creating a space for students who will benefit from a calm tranquil area, where talking to mentors will aid wellbeing



Hayes News





A word from Hayes Head of House, Mr Lee:...so after the first week of full exams the year 11 students have shown that they are ready prepped and ready to go! They leave the school ready for the real world! So we now need to move forward! The new team is announced below to take Hayes house to glory and this starts after half term with our minds firmly focused on sports day and working to win the house competitions! Be rested and ready to work on your return after a fantastic, well earned and safe half term!

THANK YOU YEAR 11

Looking back through the last 5 years they have worked exceptionally hard to finally be at the final chapter in school.

I am extremely proud to have been their head of house for the last 5 years. I feel greatly privileged to see the young adults they have become.

It's only fair to say that I have learnt as much from them as I hope they have from myself and the staff at The Radcliffe school!

HOUSE SUCCESSES!

I want to take the opportunity to pass on my congratulations to 2 individual students for their achievement outside of school:

Tayah Rogers – competed in the National gymnastics tournament and finished an amazing 10th in the country in her group.

Polly Owen - Polly qualified for the national rock and roll dancing competition and I am looking forward to hearing the results!

Welcome to your new Head Boy and Head Girl team

Introducing:
Head Boy – **Joe Smith**Head Girl - **Katie Thompson**Deputy Head Boy – **Finlay Hayes**Deputy Head Girl – **Iman Naqvi**

The team have already started to make their mark on the house and they will have their message for the next newsletter.

Please see the following students and take time to acknowledge their successes as they are the Hayes house stars of the term, students who have represented the house with pride, and the year 10 students nominated for awards due to a hugely successful work experience!

Well done to all!

Work Experience – "You're Hired"



































17 Year 10 students from Hayes House have been acknowledged by their tutor or employer for unbelievable reports and comments about how well they did on Work Experience!





Five for Pride





Cowper News





Our Year 11 students leave us on Thursday and this will be a particularly emotional time for me as they were my first Year 7 intake as Cowper Head of House. As one group leaves it gives me great pleasure in congratulating and welcoming our student team for the next academic year. Moudathir Said and Georgina Walsh have been selected as our Head Boy and Head Girl with Sam Coffey and Imogen Myrie as our Deputies. I would like to thank our current student lead team of Daniel, Laura, Lewis and Lily for their outstanding contributions and support over the past year, we appreciate your hard work. Our Year 10 students completed their work experience earlier in the year and I am pleased to say that 25 of our students were congratulated for their hard work, resilience and work ethic, some even offered part time work and apprenticeship opportunities. A huge well done to Declan, Mark, Maddie, Tilley, Ben and Imogen for receiving their honours ties for their sporting efforts this year. Again we achieved good results in the recent house competitions gaining four firsts, two seconds, and two third places. It was pleasing receiving letters and emails form outside coaches and parents commenting on our students being ambassadors for the school out of school hours particularly the students below. Finally, I would like to congratulate our students for their Star of the Term and Pride of Cowper nominations.

OUR TEAM FOR













Star of the Term Nominations

CAS: Poppy Jackman CKR: Ted Jakeman **CGT: Gareth Taylor** CJM: Yusif Sadiq **CLB: Laura Johnston** CMB: Moudathir Said **CES: Blake Taylor** CSK: James Jones-Seal CHB: Jack Richardson **CAP: Hannah Stanton**

CSD: Josh Belton CSM: Helen Clark



Positive Impact in the community



Peer Support

Pride Cowper



Mrs Michhiana **Tutor Support**



Positive Impact in the community



A2B

HONOURS SPORTS TIES









Half Colours

Full Colours





SUCCESS GROWS IN THE GREEN HOUSE

75 Pin

SPECIAL MENTION



Dance



Dance



Gymnastics



Rugby



Football



Football



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WORK EXPERIENCE



















































WELL DONE TO YOU ALL



Stars of the Term



CAS



Meeting expectations every day

CMB



Total all round student

CKR



Growing in confidence. He is always enthusiastic, kind and polite member of the form group

CHB



All round "give it a go" attitude

CAP



Excellent contribution to the House, role model for all

CSD



Great effort and well mannered

CLB



Best revision notes and great all round student

CGT



Always following school expectations

CSM



Participation and focus in form activities

CES



Incredibly well behaved and respectful

CSK



Brilliant all round student

CJM



Always prepared and willing to support the form

Lee News





A word from Lee Head of House, Miss Girt: "So exam season is firmly with us and the LEE Year 11's are conducting themselves fantastically and are making us proud of them.

It will be difficult to say goodbye to this year 11 group as they have been fantastic to work with over the last three years, and watching them walk into the exams; I feel proud, but sad that they will be leaving us soon- they have been a credit to the House and the school!

I look forward to results day in August where I will be congratulating them on their success and wishing them the very best in their future endeavors. Good luck and best wishes year 11 - I have enjoyed working with you and seeing you grow into capable, independent and well-rounded individuals over the last few years."

Head Team

Well done to the new Head team who were appointed, in what was a very difficult decision as we had so many fantastic applicants! They will be stepping into their role after half term and were awarded their badges in our Celebration assembly this week. They are already getting settled into the House office and will be out in form groups after half term so you get to know them.









WORK EXPERIENCE















































Lee Stars of the term





LAW



LBR



LCA



LCR



LGM



LGR



LGS



LJB



LJR



LKD



LLB



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Pride of LEE



Year 7



Year 8



Year 9



McConnell News





A word from Head of McConnell House, Mr Partington:

We have almost come to the final half term of what has been an extremely busy year, with this half term set to be the most eventful yet! Year 11 GCSE examinations are underway, and our students have been excelling under what must feel like an enormous amount of pressure to succeed. I am delighted to announce the new team of McConnell head girls and head boys, pictured below. I know these students will be fantastic role models and I am looking forward to seeing what impact they can have in positions of such responsibility. At this time we are also welcoming applications from all students in Years 7-10 to undertake the role of house manager. Please email applications to myself at; c.partington@radcliffeschool.org.uk, as we look to shape our team moving forward into the next academic year and continue our ongoing progress.

Congratulations to the Year 7 boys softball team who were victorious in this half-term's house competition!! In particular, I would like to thank House Manager Stanley Deslandes for his efforts throughout the year, well done.

Our Team for 2018/2019



Head Boy



Deputy Head Boy



Head Girl



Deputy Head Girl



STARS OF THE TERM



MRN



Friendly and kind to everyone. Always looks smart, punctual and a positive attitude

MCH



Great effort and attitude to his studies, always polite and courteous

MCB



Polite, well mannered and respected by the tutor group

MHL



Successful Work Experience Placement and a much improved attitude

MDM



Great support to her peers

MGS



Well mannered, conscientious and always prepared

MZB



Unsung hero – a great example to others

MMF



Always supportive, and friendly, a good role model for others

MKJ



Contribution to tutor time, always polite and helpful

MLC



Great enthusiasm, always the 'sunshine in my room'

MPD



Shows a positive attitude and determination

MJP



Participation in tutor activities and always supportive to others

PRIDE OF McCONNELL











WELL DONE TO YOU ALL



WORK EXPERIENCE

































Responsibility

Expectation

Determination

