

# REDHILL REVIEW

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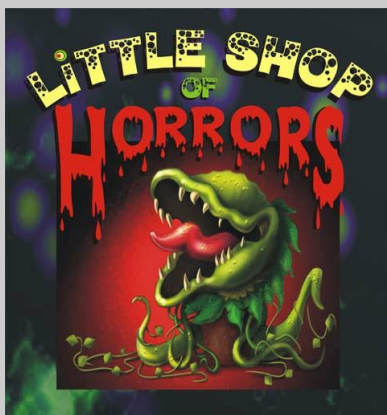
## From the Headteacher

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank parents, staff and students for their patience during the recent cold weather and the heating problems we experienced in the lower school. As I'm sure you are aware it is extremely difficult to predict events and decide whether the school should close or remain open on such days. We will always try and remain open as far as possible in these circumstances, particularly for those students in the upper school approaching examinations. As a parent myself, I am also aware of how difficult arrangements can become if your child is sent home unexpectedly, particularly after school has started. On a positive note, I can report that the new heating system is now working at one hundred per cent and we can keep our fingers crossed that we have seen the last of the really bad weather this winter.

## Sixth Form 2010-2011

Following an extremely well attended Information Evening in November, over 125 students have now applied to enter the Sixth Form of the school next September. This continues the current trend which has seen the Sixth Form grow to well in excess of 200 students. We have seen growing numbers from other schools wishing to enter our Sixth Form; a trend that is continued this year. Should any Year 11 student still wish to join the Sixth Form please see Mr Youl or Mrs Allan in the Sixth Form office.

## Redhill School presents...



### Tickets now on sale!!!

Price: £4.50 adults £3.00 Concessions

Date: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March to Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
2010

Time: 7pm

Venue: Redhill School

Purchase your tickets in the Drama or Music Office

## Maths Challenge News!

Our Sixth Form mathematicians took place in the Senior Maths Challenge 2009 on 5<sup>th</sup> November. The challenge involved answering 25 incredibly tough multiple choice questions, with the added twist that if you got a question incorrect, then you lost marks. Five of our students performed particularly well and gained certificates. They are

Ben King (Year 13) Silver & Best in School

Tom Swift (Year 13) Silver

Adam Suswillo (Year 13) Silver

Chris Bridgett (Year 12) Bronze

Laura Harvey (Year 12) Bronze

Well done to all pupils who participated!

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November, Redhill School participated for the first time in the Senior Team Maths Challenge. Four of our best mathematicians, Ben King and Tom Swift from Year 13, Laura Bray from Year 12 and Jamie van der Sanden from Year 11 went to the event at the University of Nottingham and competed against 18 other schools in a series of tough challenges. All of the rounds were very challenging and really tested the ability of the team. Overall, the team managed to achieve a respectable 9<sup>th</sup> place out of a possible 19.

Hopefully Redhill will keep participating in future years and will be able to improve on this result.

## Calendar of Events

Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday, 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Visit to St Thomas' School in Goa, India
Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Post 18 Career Development Day
Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Annual Dance Performance Evening in the School Hall
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Old Time Music Hall for the OAP's of Redhill
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> – Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Hagg Farm Trip
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Year 11 visit to 'Poetry Live'
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 10 Parents Evening (4pm)
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Little Shop of Horrors
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> March	School Finishes @ 2:00 pm
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 reports issued

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# House News

## House Points Competition

Congratulations to the winners of the House Points Competition for Term 1.

Academic Achievement	Africanus
Attendance	Knight
Sport	Africanus
Performing Arts	Lawrence
House Points	Smith

## Language Leaders Baking

Shortly before Christmas the Language Leaders from Years 9 to 11 turned their talents to baking. Despite being superbly talented linguists, some of them professed to be very poor cooks and were a little daunted by the prospect of finding and following foreign recipes. The group selected a range of biscuits from Spain, Germany, Italy, Greece and France.

With the kind permission of the DT teachers over in Derwent we baked the biscuits one Thursday after school. At one point it was looking dubious as to whether we would ever get home as Liam



Bogues and Connor Brindley's cooking skills were tested to the extreme and the Italian biscotti simply refused to cook in the way the recipe suggested.....

After much fun we finally had over a hundred international biscuits to sample. We designed a simple

question form for samplers to fill in and took them to the staffroom the following day for the staff to decide which nation's biscuit recipe would reign supreme. The Italian biscotti won hands down with the German jam creations coming second.

The Language Leaders group meets every Thursday in Room O3 from 3.15 pm to 4.00 pm and is open to anyone interested in languages who wants to improve their leadership skills. Please speak to Mr Gilwhite or Miss Barfoot if you want to know more.

## School Link Visit to Goa, India

Mr Hardy and Mr West will be visiting St Thomas' School in Goa, India during the final week of the Spring half term.

A special webpage has been set up to record details of their visit as they happen. Throughout the week, you can read their blogs, Twitter updates and see photos from their visit (mobile phone signals permitting!).

## Vacancies

We have two vacancies for Midday Supervisors. The role will involve supervision of students inside and outside the school during lunchtime. Working as part of a team you must be a responsible, caring adult who can pay careful consideration to the Health, Safety and Welfare of the students. You will be required to work for approximately one hour per day, 5 days a week. If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, then please contact Lisa Bryant, HR Officer for further information and an application form.

## Boccia Charity Event

On Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January students from Knight House took part in a Boccia competition. A good time was had by all, with the winning tutor group being KWA.

A big thank you to all those who took part. A total of £50.96 was raised for Knight's House Charity 'When You Wish A Upon a Star'. Well Done!

## Music Department News

### ABRSM Exam Results



Anh Bui	II Clarinet	Pass
Molly Mulhaire	II Clarinet	Pass
Beth Fretwell	VI Flute	Pass
Jacob Gaunt	IV Saxophone	Pass
Ryan Cigerci	III Saxophone	Pass
Aimee Collier	IV Saxophone	Pass
Joe Pearson	IV Saxophone	Pass
Melissa Ellis	II Violin	Merit
Holly Walker	II Violin	Merit

Well Done!

## Annual Dance Performance Evening

The Annual Redhill School Dance Performance Evening will take place on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm in the School Hall. This year will feature performances from pupils in all year groups and staff, alongside Redhill's resident Dance Company NCDC and Nottinghamshire Youth Dance Performance Company, also based at Redhill School. Dances will be in a variety of styles from ballet and modern to contemporary and street, with the debut performance from our new all-male dance company.

Tickets will be available in the run up to the show at £2 adults and £1 concessions. Hope to see you there!

During the week, they will also be getting pupils and teachers in Goa to answer questions posed by our own students. Anyone can submit a question on the Goa webpage.

Go to [www.redhill.notts.sch.uk/goa](http://www.redhill.notts.sch.uk/goa) or click the link at the top of our website.

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