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Parents' Association



26th November, 2009

NEWSLETTER 11.09

Dear Parents,

Following a very productive RCPA meeting last night, I have been asked to write to you about several events and issues.

Rendcomb College Website

You will have noticed that the new school website is now up and running and is still very much a work in progress. We were encouraged by the presentation given by Liese Holden at last night's meeting and are so pleased that the requests and suggestions of parents have been incorporated into the site. The Parent Zone area of the website will be live from the start of next term. If you have any further views please let us know via your class reps.

The RCPA fully supports the College's aim to reduce the amount of paper wasted and would encourage all families therefore to keep the school updated with current email addresses. Please check the website weekly for newsletters, trip information, fixture lists and directions etc. All RCPA agendas, minutes and newsletters will be posted on the site.

The college staff is willing to put on workshops for any families interested in being shown around the website. Please let your rep know if you would be interested in this offer.

Careers Advice at Rendcomb College

Mr. Holden reported on the College's plans for developing careers advice at Rendcomb College. In Lower School this is incorporated into PSHE lessons. Following requests from parents more guidance will in future be offered prior to children making their GCSE choices and thereafter which will take the form of expert talks, motivational talks and also buying in careers expertise from outside agencies.

It was recognized at the meeting that within the school, parents and friends can provide a wealth of experience and advice from a wide range of careers, backgrounds and interests and we should use this expertise to benefit our pupils directly. We would like to encourage parents therefore to become involved in guiding and motivating the students at Rendcomb by joining a Careers Team. Working together with the staff of Rendcomb College, parents, friends and Old Rendcombians could offer anything from a one-off careers talk, meeting with a pupil once a term to discuss their career plans, holding mock interviews with pupils, helping to compile a CV, providing or advising on



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interviews at Oxbridge level to joining a careers
d.

If this is something in which you would like to be involved, please complete the form below and email to your class rep. We would be particularly interested to hear from anyone who could lead this initiative. Many thanks for your support.

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 3 – Sat 5 Dec 2009

Senior Play %**Outside Edge+** . a side splittingly funny play. Tickets available from reception. **Volunteers to help on the bar Thurs & Sat needed** - please email chair@rendcombpa.org.uk

Sunday 29 November 2009

Advent Carol Service at St Peter's Church with the Rendcomb College Chamber Choir. Parents, family and friends welcome.

Thursday 10 December 2009

Carols by Candlelight at Christ Church, Cheltenham. Parents, family and friends welcome.

Saturday 1 May 2010

MAY BALL. Tickets will be on sale in the New Year on a first come, first served basis. Further information will be available on the website in the New Year.

Many thanks for your support.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas.

Davina Clift
On behalf of the RCPA

Please scroll down

Rendcomb College Careers Team

Name		
Address		
Contact Numbers	Home:	Work:
	Mobile:	Email:
Company, organisation or area of interest		
Please give details of activities/skills within your area of expertise that you could share with pupils.		
Please tick areas you would be particularly interested in supporting		
	√	Please add any relevant information
One-off careers talk		
Mock interviews		
Mock Interviews Oxbridge Level		
Monitoring progress of CVs/personal portfolios		
Offering work experience posts		
Meeting as Careers Co uncil to offer suggestions and ways forward		
Other – please give details		

Please return via your class rep or email to chair@rendcombpa.org.uk



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