

### It's time to start thinking about your choices – only a year to go until you leave school!

#### >> Why choose Reigate College?

- As a pupil at one of our partner schools, Reigate College is officially your Sixth Form.
- Reigate College has been graded 'outstanding' by Ofsted since 2005 and is regularly placed in the top ten of UK Colleges (using success rates as the criteria).
- It's a specialist 'Sixth Form' College, with specialist A Level and BTEC subject teachers, which means you will benefit from the expert subject knowledge and experience of our teaching staff.
- You can select from a range of around forty-five AS/A Level and BTEC courses and can pick any combination of these courses, meaning study programmes are tailor-made to fit your specific requirements, improving your chances of success.
- The College offers a focussed enhancement programme to help develop the skills you'll require to compete for the very best jobs and university places.
- You'll benefit from the fantastic facilities at the College including an impressive Sports Centre and Gym, Dance Studio, Theatre and Enhancement Centre housing the Careers Department. The new Music Centre and upgraded Media, IT and Languages classrooms will be ready for September 2015. The extensive sports-field is located off-site at Wallfield in Green Lane, Reigate.

- The College community is extremely supportive and you'll be looked after throughout your time at College, with help from Teachers, Tutors, Learning Support specialists, Careers Advisors and Counsellors.
- There's an impressive selection of 'extracurricular' clubs and activities to choose from to complement your academic studies, from the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award and College productions to competitive sport and musical performances.
- And finally, the Students' Union does a brilliant job ensuring students have a great social life while at College. From parties, to charity events and talent shows, there will be plenty of opportunities for you to get together with other students and have some fun!

### >> Requirements

reigate-college

#### For the Level 3 Programme (Advanced Level) Students must achieve five GCSE passes at Grade C or above.

For the Level 2 Programme (Intermediate Level) Students must achieve four GCSE passes at Grade D or above.

All students must have excellent references and a good school report, including high levels of attendance and punctuality.

# For further information visit www.reigate.ac.uk

## **Student profile**

Name: Jasmine Previous School: Reigate Subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Psychology

I decided to come to Reigate College as I was really impressed with the subject choices and facilities on offer.

I knew I wanted to study a Science based course at university so I chose subjects that would help me develop skills for this. I've found my subject choices enjoyable but challenging! I've loved the experiments you get to do in Biology and Chemistry, which are always interesting and help with understanding the theory you learn. Biology is probably my favourite subject as you get to cover really interesting topics such as Forensics.

My teachers have always been there to answer any of my questions and run extra support outside of lessons, such as revision sessions. You also get a lot of support from your Tutors when planning what you want to do after leaving College, so the process wasn't as daunting as I'd expected!

I've really enjoyed the trips that the College has offered, including a visit to London Zoo as part of my Psychology course. We received a talk about animal learning and intelligence, which was really interesting and inspired me to want to go on and study Zoology at university. In Biology we carried out an ecological field study were we learnt lots of new skills and were allowed to choose what to base our study on.

Reigate College offers a friendly and supportive environment in which to learn.

When I leave College I plan to go to Leeds University to study Zoology with a view to eventually working in Conservation.



# **Student profile**

Name: Shimon Previous School: de Stafford Subjects: Mathematics, Biology, Physics

I came to Reigate College as it had the best reputation of any of the sixth forms in my catchment area.

When choosing which subjects to study, I opted for courses that I found interesting and also relevant for the career that I'm interested in.

I've found all my subject choices very interesting and challenging. Mathematics is my favourite subject because I've always enjoyed solving problems and using logic.

The teachers are all very helpful and supportive and always willing to spend extra time with you after lessons if you're ever unsure about a certain topic. I also found the Careers team extremely helpful – they gave me some great advice about which university course to choose to get into the career that I'm interested in and they also helped me improve my personal statement.

The social life at Reigate College is great. There are so many opportunities to meet new people and everyone is very friendly. There are always lot of events going on in the Refectory at lunchtime, organised by the Students' Union.

The thing I've enjoyed most about Reigate College is that you're treated more like an adult and given more responsibility for your learning. I definitely feel that studying here has allowed me to fulfil my potential and the learning environment encouraged me to become more independent, which is an essential skill I think I'll need at university.

After College I want to study Mathematics at university.



# **Student profile**

#### Name: Mark

Previous School: Warwick

Subjects: Computing & IT, Mathematics, Physics

Reigate College is a partner to my previous school so the transition to College was very easy.

Maths and Physics were two subjects that I felt I needed for whatever career I wanted to do and I picked Chemistry and Computing in case I wanted to become an Engineer. After the first year I found that Chemistry wasn't for me, which confirmed my career path in Computing. I'm still very glad that I chose Maths and Physics as they've given me a very good foundation for whatever I want to do in the future.

I really enjoy Computing, Maths and Physics. It's fascinating learning about the creation and ultimate fate of the universe in Physics and I love the freedom of being able to create my own programs in Computing.

I've found the teaching standards at College really high – all of my teachers have been excellent and really helped me get the best possible grades and always encouraged me to aim high.

When I look back on my time at College I'll always have fond memories of spending time with friends during free periods, attending the lunchtime events organised by the Students' Union and the great atmosphere at College.

After College I'm planning on going to university to study Computer Science.

## **Student profile**

Name: Annie

Previous School: Oakwood Subjects: Public Services, Health & Social Care

I decided to come to Reigate because it was the only College where I could do the Public Services course in combination with other subjects that kept my options broad.

Public Services is definitely my favourite subject. I've gained so much confidence since starting the course as you have to do lots of presentations and practical sessions in the lessons and I've always been boosted by the support from my teachers and classmates, who have all become good friends. The trips have been a bonus and I especially enjoyed the rock climbing and dry slope skiing on the Public Services trip to Bowles, which was also a great team bonding experience.

I've enjoyed doing Trampolining as part of the College Activities Programme as it was an opportunity to meet different people and learn new skills. I also use the Gym after College to improve my fitness – I've always tried to do an activity and make use of the excellent College resources whenever I've had gaps in my timetable.

When I leave College I'm going to have a year out and do a bit of travelling and work before applying for the Police Force as I think it will be good to get some life experiences behind me first. Ultimately I'd love to get into the Mounted Police to combine my love of horses with a career in the Police Force.



# Your route to Reigate College

Event	Date
Year 10 assemblies at partner schools	April/May 2015
Year 10 Taster Day for partner schools at Reigate College	Thursday 25th June 2015 for de Stafford and Oakwood
Year 10 Taster Day for partner schools at Reigate College	Tuesday 30th June 2015 for Reigate and Warwick
Year 11 assemblies at partner schools (Reigate College application forms and prospectuses will be handed out at these assemblies)	End September 2015
Reigate College Open Evenings	Monday 28th September, Thursday 1st October and Tuesday 6th October 2015, 6.30pm - 8.30pm
Admissions open (for courses starting September 2016)	Monday 28th September 2015
Admissions deadline	1st November 2015 (partner schools may require students to return their application forms to them earlier than this deadline).
Interviews	November – December 2015
Places offered	December 2015
Introductory Day	Thursday 7th July 2016
Choices Day (chance to try out some of your chosen subjects)	Wednesday 31st August 2016
Enrolment Day	Friday 9th September 2016
Start College	Monday 12th September 2016

## For further information visit www.reigate.ac.uk



# reigate•college

Reigate Sixth Form College Castlefield Road Reigate Surrey RH2 OSD Tel 01737 221118 Fax 01737 222657 enquiries@reigate.ac.uk

www.reigate.ac.uk