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## A message from the Principal

Welcome to this, the first edition of the College newsletter in 2016.

Last year ended with a flurry of impressive events: the winter warmth of It's a Wonderful Life, our Christmas production; a poignant Carol Service at the Royal Memorial Chapel in Sandhurst; a remarkable conference debating the UK's future role in or out of Europe; and of course, the annual Certificate Presentation Evening celebrating the brilliant achievements of the Class of 2015.

All in all, a fabulous demonstration of our students' extraordinary talents - and a testament to the rich educational opportunities offered by the College. You will read more about these activities here in this edition of the 'News @ 6th'. Enjoy!

Applications for our Travel Scholarships are now open - please see screens around College for details. We have also launched the elections for the new 2016-17 Student Association. I would like to thank this year's Student Association for their hard work and contribution to College, making it an exciting place to learn, enjoy and achieve.

## What's been happening?

[Certificate Presentation Evening](#)

[College Carol Service](#)

[It's a Wonderful Life](#)

[EPQ Presentation Evening](#)

[Graphic Designs on recipes](#)

[BASE Competition](#)

[EU Conference](#)

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## The College Shop

The College Shop, located in the Bagnall Building, is open from Monday to Friday, 8:45am to 1:30pm. From pens to art supplies, folders to binding, the shop can help with all your stationery needs.

Coming up.... See our [College Calendar](#) for all upcoming events.



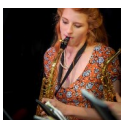
**National Numeracy Challenge** - Wednesday 3 February 2016. There will be no timetabled lessons on this day to enable students to complete the first part of the National Numeracy Challenge - this can be done at home. Numeracy is a key skill for employability which students have been focusing on in Tutorials. Find out more [here](#).



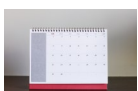
**Music Scholars' Concert** - Thursday 4 February 2016 at 7:30pm. Another chance to hear our excellent Music Scholars perform, this time in the beautiful surroundings of St Peter's Church, Farnborough. Tickets are available [here](#).



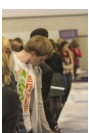
**Training, Employment and Apprenticeship Fair** - Tuesday 9 February 2016 from 10:00am to 3:00pm. This event is the first of two progression fairs at the College this year - students will have direct access to a wide variety of employers and training providers. Find out more [here](#).



**Ensemble Concert** - Tuesday 9 February 2016 at 5:30pm. An opportunity to hear our smaller ensembles and soloists perform in the more intimate space of The Recital Room in the Music Department. There is no need to book - just turn up!



**Spring Term Reading Week** - Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2016.



**UCAS Higher Education Convention** - Wednesday 9 March 2016. All students are encouraged to take part in this visit to Portsmouth University, where they will have the opportunity to explore a variety of post-18 options. Detailed information will be available in Tutorials nearer the time.

## Supporting Your College - Gift Aid

Whilst the spending review has some good points for colleges, it does still show reducing funding which colleges need to address.

With this in mind, we issue another 'plea' to the many parents who have not registered for Gift Aid to consider a donation. This helps towards covering the cost of enrichment activities for which we are not fully funded and are a considerable cost to the College.

Most contributors prefer monthly direct debits which are easy to set up online through the Parent Portal and we can assure you, any amount is welcomed - no matter how big or how small!

Click [here](#) for more information and to donate.

## Calling our Alumni - #whereRtheyNow

**Are you part of the College Alumni?** You could feature in our #whereRtheyNow campaign and inspire current and prospective students with your achievements since your time at the College. Many of the students who have already been in contact have featured in our Prospectus and on our College website, as well as appearing on our Twitter and Instagram.

Whether you've taken a year out to travel, have started full-time work or are in your first year of university, we would love you to get in touch with us by emailing [marketing@farnborough.ac.uk](mailto:marketing@farnborough.ac.uk).



## Our Student Stars ...

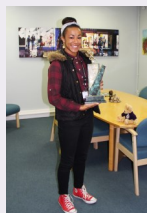
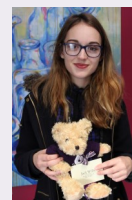
Click [here](#) to read about more stars on our website.

Our **swimming team** for their success at the annual English Schools Swimming National Championships.

Read more [here](#).



**Rhizzi Lord** who was the winner of our Christmas Jumper Day 2015 Twitter competition. Rhizzi won a coveted College bear and a Jack Wills voucher.



**Lucy Rogers** received the Aldershot & District Schools' Athletics Association's Vice Presidents Award 2015, for making an "Outstanding Contribution as a District Schools' Athlete".



Our **Music students** who travelled to Poland to take part in the Chopin Music Festival in Sulechów.

Read more [here](#).

Our **Chamber Orchestra and Big Band** for an outstanding evening of music-making.

Read more [here](#).



**Connor Watson**, an A2 Photography student, who designed our 2015 College Christmas Card.



**Dance Company** for their original performance entitled 'Bygone'.

Read more [here](#).



Photography students **Brittany Doyle** and **Kelsey McClure** whose artwork was chosen to be displayed at The Swan in Farnborough.

Read more [here](#).

Congratulations to **Emma Sidey** who has been invited to train with the England Academy for Air Rifle Shooting

**Alexandra Jackson**, a first year student, who is competing in the Dance World Cup 2016 - good luck!