



SIR THOMAS RICH'S SCHOOL

Oakleaze, Gloucester

From the Headmaster

Year 13 Leavers

Yesterday marked the official start of the public examinations and it was also the Sixth Form 'transition' day – the beginning of the end for our Year 13 students' time in secondary education. We celebrated accordingly with a well-put-together assembly led by the School captains featuring the much-anticipated leavers' video, awards, and the traditional shirt signing plus a buffet courtesy of Aspens, our catering provider. There is, of course, still much work to do over the next few weeks, but I am glad that we took the opportunity to mark the end of the teaching of A Level courses. Students' conduct in school was exemplary and I was so proud of the way in which they thanked their teachers and wished each other well – it goes without saying that we wish all students in both Year 13 and Year 11 all the very best for their examinations.

South Africa Tour Fundraiser

If you enjoy a quiz and would like to help support fundraising for the South Africa Rugby Tour in July, then do join us for our Quiz and Auction Night on 14 June at 6.30pm in the Sixth Form Centre. Tickets are available at the link below costing £10 for individuals or £50 for a team of six.

www.tickettailor.com/events/sirthomasrichsschool/1247472

Book of the Month

The latest book of the month review is by Oskar in 9S, who talks about *Mortal Engines* by Phillip Reeve: <https://youtu.be/x82nCG1GN6I>. Well done, Oskar. If students in any year group would like to contribute a review, please let Mrs Roche or any member of the English Department know.

Alumni Careers Day

Head of Careers, Mrs Manning, is busy planning the next Alumni Careers Day on 13 September, and she is looking for alumni speakers. If you are an Old Richian who left Sir Thomas Rich's in the last 20 years – or you know somebody who is – she would be pleased to hear from you on jam@strs.org.uk. Our students really enjoy hearing from alumni about the career paths they have followed; they find it incredibly helpful when considering which subjects to study and in thinking about their own career aspirations.

Summer Uniform

A reminder that summer uniform rules now apply; if pupils wish to, they may wear the crested shirt with no tie and their top button undone. Pupils must still wear their blazers unless I deem it to be an 'officially hot' day, in which case blazers can be left at home and all pupils are permitted to go without a tie. Please do ensure that essential items such as bus passes are transferred from blazer pockets. I will inform parents in advance in the event of any officially hot days.

With best wishes for a pleasant and relaxing weekend.

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