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Symposium Finals

17th June-
Thank a
Teacher/Member of
Staff Day

18th June-
Expressive Arts
Showcase

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to our staff and students for another productive and successful week at school.

On Thursday, I had the pleasure of hosting a celebratory breakfast with members of our Eco Club and Gardening Club. Over the past two academic years, our students have achieved more than ten awards in recognition of their environmental initiatives and commitment to sustainability. It was a delight to speak with them about what inspired their involvement and what they have gained from these experiences.

Below is a summary of some of our discussions:

Tola: *"I like gardening. I didn't get to do it at home, but I enjoy it as an activity here. It has been great to learn new things and learn from Dr Thackray at Gardening Club."*

Annabelle: *"I went to Eco Club at primary school and have carried that on. I enjoy being part of the group."*

Oliver: *"I love planting and wildlife. There are more species to help grow."*

Elena: *"I have enjoyed planting trees and getting to plant them was the first time I have been able to."*

Esther: *"I enjoy being part of a group with my friends. I have always wanted to plant food and, although it hasn't worked at home, I can try it at school."*

Rishka: *"I love nature and the social aspect. It brings people together."*

Ethan: *"It has been fun to check on the hedgehog house and, because I enjoyed it, I have kept coming back."*

Daniel: *"I care deeply about the environment."*



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Thomas: *"I have been involved since Year 7 and it has been good to see the progress over that time, both in how the garden has developed and in the success of Eco Club."*

As a school, we are immensely proud of the hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm shown by our students. Through their commitment to environmental projects, they have embraced our ARCH values, particularly Respect, by caring for and protecting the environment around them. They have also embodied our school motto, "Be the best version of yourself."

Their achievements are a wonderful example of how young people can make a meaningful difference to their community while developing new skills, friendships, and interests along the way.

We wish all members of our school community a thoroughly enjoyable weekend and encourage everyone to make the most of the outdoors and the beautiful weather. We look forward to welcoming our students back on Monday for another exciting week of learning.

Warm regards,

Mrs A Hart

Headteacher



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KS3 Assessment week

Last week we ran a whole week of assessment for years 7 - 9. The students have been amazing. They have embodied our ARCH values of Aspiration and Curiosity, and they have worked hard and behaved so well. Throughout the week I have seen year 7s with revision cards, year 8s testing each other at break time, and year 9s with all of their revision notes - ready for the challenge! I have had the good fortune to talk to most KS3 classes during the week and have been so impressed with their maturity.

Our students with SEND needs, or an additional factor that might have made this week stressful, have been magnificent. They have shown themselves that they can manage stress, change, and challenge.

Thank you to parents and carers for all that you have done to support our students during assessment week.

Charli Napier

Deputy Headteacher

Year 10 had the task of taking over lessons to deliver the 'dietary needs' section of the specification.

They worked in groups, carried out research, produced an information sheet for the class, AND created and delivered a presentation on their specific 'diet'. They did a brilliant job developing their oracy skills.

Here are some photos of the dishes students made that were suitable for their diet.

Year 10 Take Over – GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition





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School Ties

If you have any unwanted school ties, please drop them off at reception!



Thank you in advance! 😊

Lost Property

We currently have a large amount of lost property at RMGS.

Please ask your child to visit the Lost Property Office during lunchtime to check for any missing items.

Any unclaimed items will be donated to local charity shops – **Deadline: Friday 10th July.**





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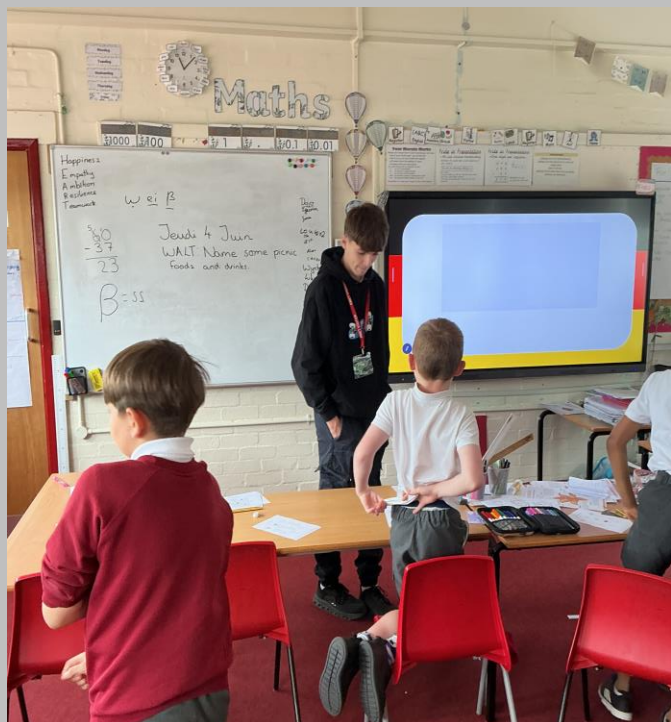
MFL inset at Riverside Primary school

It has become a tradition for our MFL Year 12 pupils to deliver a Languages Day at Riverside Primary School. This initiative which links RMGS with Riverside is now in its 4th Year .

16 brave year 12's delivered French, German or Spanish lessons to all year groups, except reception year. Every single class had taster sessions in two different languages. The Riverside kids were really excited to see Rainham Mark come in and really engaged with all tasks and activities . They emerged for a short time in the language and culture of those countries.

In Frau Brodkorb's assembly they even learnt about the Brothers Grimm and German fairy tales. There were hundreds of sparking eyes listening attentively and answering questions with real enthusiasm.

Altogether a great time was had by all.





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This is the second outreach session we run at Riverside. We did a German cookery class with two year 5's (one after the other) on Friday afternoon.

Last Friday afternoon the Riverside Year 5 classes were in for a treat as 8 RMGS 6th formers facilitated a German cookery lesson. In groups of 5 the kids learnt to read a German recipe - with a little help from their Y12 team leaders.

Next they made German waffles from scratch and finally decorated their own waffles with sauces and sprinkles. Finally they devoured their efforts - It was truly yummy!



How to help at home with

Supporting your child with friendships

Supporting teenagers with online friendships is less about monitoring every interaction and more about helping them develop the skills to navigate digital relationships safely and confidently.

1

Show an interest in the games, apps and platforms your teenager uses.

2

Ask open questions such as:

- "Who do you enjoy chatting with online?"
- "What do you like about that group?"

Help your teenager recognise red flags such as:

- Pressure to keep secrets
- Demands for photos or personal information

3

4

Encourage them to ask:

- Do I really know this person?
- Have they earned my trust?
- Would I be comfortable if my parents or another trusted adult knew about this conversation?
- Does this friendship make me feel good or stressed?

Help them deal with:

- Friendship fallouts
- Group chat exclusion
- Rumours
- Cyberbullying
- Pressure to respond immediately

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Get Ready for Thank a Teacher Day - 17 June

<https://thankateacher.co.uk/parents/>

Parents - celebrate the amazing people who support your child every day. From fun activities at home to simple ways to say thank you, there are plenty of ways for you and your child to get involved and win prizes. Just click the link above.

Maths Challenge

On 9th June eight students in years 7 and 8 took part in the second round of the UKMT maths challenge, **congratulations** to all that took part and a special mention to Tommy in 7P and Minula in 8P who achieved the best in their year groups and received a gold certificate.

YEAR 7 TOP STUDENTS FOR R-POINTS LAST WEEK

Monday, 1st June - Friday, 5th June

LIV H- 7B- 48

TEDDIE O- 7N- 20

ERNEST P- 7F- 20

CELINE C- 7B- 19

EWAOLUWA F- 7P- 19

EDWARD S- 7S- 19

**WELL DONE TO 7F, 7L & 7S FOR THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE
FOR LAST WEEK! ALL OF THESE FORMS ACHIEVED 100%!!!!**



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veggie plants

wildflower seeds

trees in pots

donated shrubs

cuttings

Please drop to school reception

RMGS Eco Club

**Request for plant donations for
their wildlife garden**





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Medway Public Health has created a new video for Parents and Carers. It's designed to help parents and caregivers to have confident conversations with their children about vaping. The content has been shaped by feedback that we've had from Medway young people and adults on what vaping information they would find most useful.



Watch the Video HERE: <https://youtu.be/3Ik7WjcSXr0>



UK Maths Trust

UKMT Poster Competition!

Returns for 2026

Dates to Include:

The dates of the 2026/27 Competitions, which should be detailed on the poster, are as follows;

Senior Mathematical Challenge: 7th October 2026
Intermediate Mathematical Challenge: 27th January 2027
Junior Mathematical Challenge: 27th April 2027

Deadline:

21st June 2026

Poster Competition Rules!

Any year groups can take part in the Poster Competition.

Teams creating the posters should consist of between 2 and 6 students.

Schools can send more than one poster design (as long as they are not by the same design team).

Posters should be designed on A3 paper.

The poster should be designed using this year's theme 'Maths Is Magic'.

The poster must include the competition dates (as listed above).

This year's poster theme is:

Maths is Magic!

**HAND YOUR ENTRY
INTO THE MATHS
OFFICE by 21st
June 2026
FOR POINTS FOR ALL
ENTRIES AND THE
CHANCE TO WIN A
UKMT GOODIE
BAG**

Some examples of previous year's entries can be found here...
Apologies for the low resolution, they are from a few years back now!





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**Book early to avoid
disappointment!
This event is FREE!**

ANVIL Carnival 2026
(Procession and Summer Festival)

Following the Carnival procession, **celebrating myths and legends** from around the world and our school community, there will be numerous **stalls offering a range of food, drink, crafts, and goods.**

There will also be stalls, games, and activities run by our students, music, and entertainment. **Although some stalls will accept card payment, it would be advisable to bring cash.**

Monday 13th July

12:00 - 16:00

**2 x tickets available per student,
under 5's will not require a ticket**



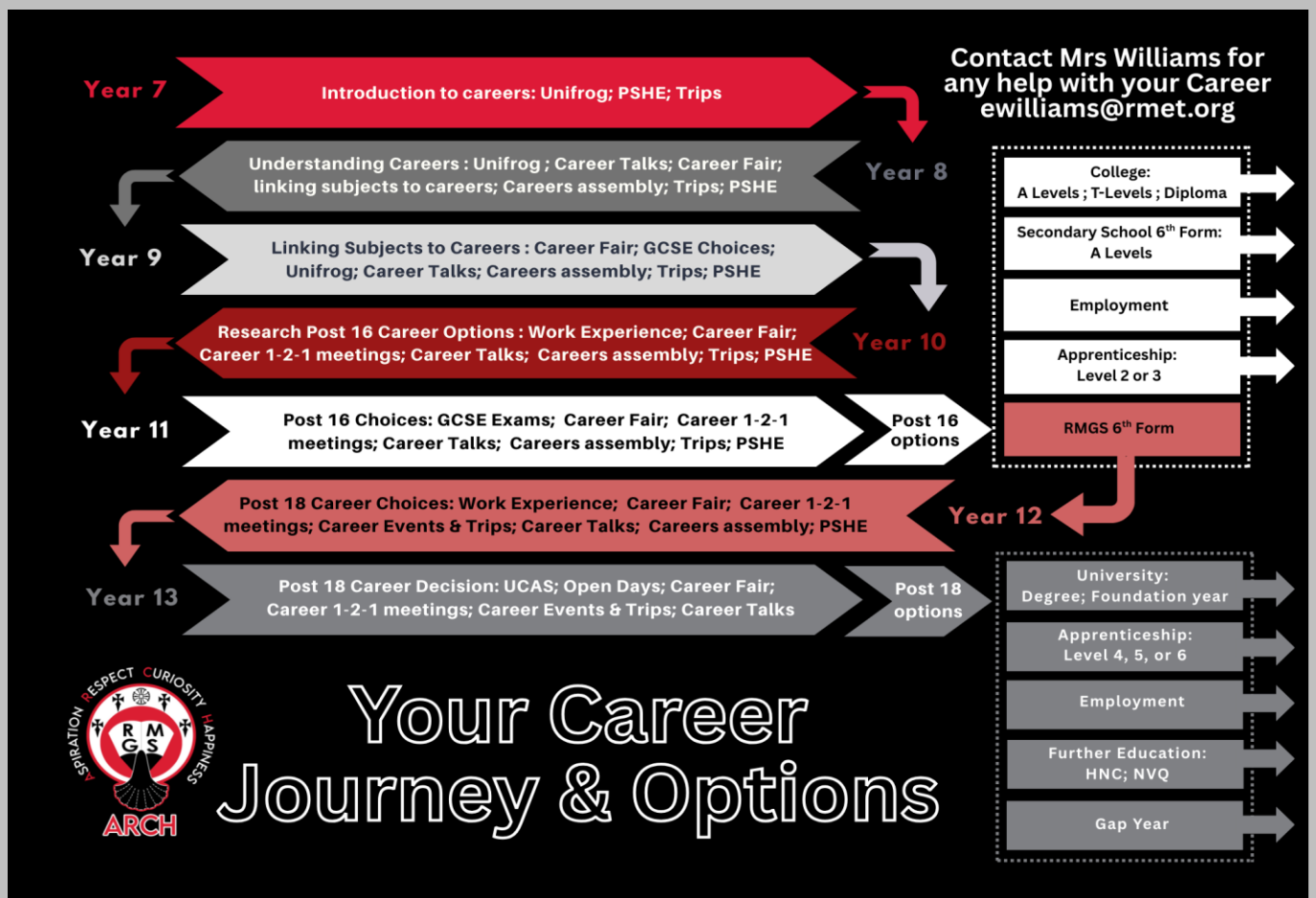
Free Event

Order your tickets below through Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1988068631795?aff=oddttdtcreator>



CAREERS CORNER



Alumni inspire our Year 12's



We are truly passionate about the value of having our Alumni community back to talk to students about their careers, journeys and experiences. There is something incredibly powerful in listening to a former student share their journey; experiences; advice and tips with students.

One perfect example was this week where we welcomed former RMGS student Wilfred back to the school to a talk to some of our Year 12 Business and Economics students about his journey from 6th Form to now where he is fulfilling his passion of a career in Diplomacy. Over the past few years Wilfred has secured Internships with the Civil Service, UBS, Morgan Stanley, CIMA and PwC.

Wilfred used his own personal challenges to demonstrate how determination and proactivity can play a huge role in enabling you to chase your dream. Not everyone's career pathway is linear so this talk helped to reinforce the need for options as well as also developing a range of skills through work experience, connections and research.



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Love Computing?

Where can it lead you?

Post-16

Courses:

- A-Level Computer Science
- T-Level Digital
- Level 1-2 Computing & IT

Apprenticeships:

- Digital Support Technician
- Cyber Security Technician

Post-18

Courses:

- BSc (Hons) Computer Science
- BSc (Hons) Creative Computing
- BSc (Hons) Cyber Security

Apprenticeships:

- Software Developer
- Digital & Tech Solutions

Future Careers

- App Developer
- Audio Visual Technician
- Forensic Computer Analyst
- Software Developer
- IT Support Technician
- Web Developer
- Automotive Engineer
- Cyber Intelligence Officer

This subject links to regional growth job sectors in:

- Digital & IT
- Transport
- Renewable Energy

Spot Light on...Computing

Does your child enjoy Computing?

This week we shine the light on Computing and share just some of the career pathways AND Post 16 and 18 options that are out there. Whether it's a Apprenticeships, College course or Further Education...[click here to find out](#) heaps more where a passion for Computing can take you.



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COMPASS +

Parents and Carers of Year 7 : Launching FSQ for Year 7 students

This week Year 7 learners have been completing the Future Skills Questionnaire (FSQ). The FSQ is a set of questions that have been specifically designed for Year 7 to help them think about their skills, strengths and what they might like to do in the future.

FSQ is a key feature of our school's careers programme. We will analyse learner responses to help evaluate our careers provision, plan future careers activities and also identify learners who may need additional support.

Helping the next
generation hit the
ground running.
Let's make it work.





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Let's Make it work - Giving your children a workplace experience to remember

RMGS is working with **Kent & Medway Careers Hub** to encourage more local businesses to get involved and give our pupils the opportunity to have an unforgettable workplace experience. One that gives them the skills and contacts that might one day help them get a rewarding career.

Businesses have evolved, and some are finding it increasingly difficult to offer workplace experiences. But difficult doesn't mean impossible, and **RMGS and Kent & Medway Careers Hub** can help make it work — whatever challenges and barriers a business thinks it has.

Wherever you work, and whatever the size of the business, **we** would love to talk to you — or one of your colleagues — about offering flexible workplace experiences to the children of **RMGS** and others in the area.

If parents don't do their bit, who will?

So please reach out to **Mrs Williams** ewilliams@rmet.org to find out more

Latest Opportunities

Remote insight days and work experience for anyone interested in the creative industries : [click here](#)

Parents Clearing Webinar : [click here](#)

Year 12 Bloomberg Insight Day : [click here](#)

Summer Opportunities : Futures for All has just launched their Summer Schedule Planner – a live document showcasing what's on throughout the summer term. [Click here](#)

All the latest Opportunities can be found on our “RMGS Careers” Facebook Group, Teams pages and on our website

unifrog

Parents and Carers – Get on board with your child using Unifrog

All students now have access to our online Careers Portal Unifrog and now Parents and Carers can too. Unifrog offers a huge range of career resources, quizzes, opportunities, tips, advice and students can work through at their own pace. Please feel free to watch this short video which details a little more about

Unifrog <https://cdn.unifrog.org/video/45v2970bm9/720.mp4>



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Career Support after Year 11 & 13

Careers support does not stop once your child leaves school.
If your child would like a Careers 1-2-1 meeting with our in house
Careers Adviser Mrs Williams after they finish Year 11 or Year 13
then please just email ewilliams@rmet.org

Career Support for SEND students

For Students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) RMGS have a range of support and resources in place to help support and guide them on their career pathway. We help SEND young people with things like; making choices about the future, getting into further education, getting into training, getting into work, finding out about appropriate support and funding for education/training and signposting and referrals to other agencies, where appropriate. To find out more including information on Supported Internships for students with an EHCP please click here :

<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Career+Support+for+young+people+with+SEND&pid=427>

Careers Facebook Group

Keep in the loop with all the latest Career Opportunities via our Private Careers Facebook Group "RMGS Careers"

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/25615966937989346/>

Intrigued by a Job but want to find out more about it for your child?

Use this to explore a wide range of job profiles for your child. Each job is presented as a short video so you can explore a little about each job. The videos give you a quick insight and overview but we encourage you to find out more! Speak to Mrs Williams for support on where to find more information.

<https://www.mypathcareersuk.com/a-z-of-jobs>

Career Support is available for ALL students in ALL years

- ALL students can book a Career 1-2-1 meeting by emailing ewilliams@rmet.org
- Resources can be found on our website for parents/carers & students :
<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Careers&pid=223>
- What can my child do post 16?
<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Post+16+Choices&pid=386>
- What can my child do Post 18?
<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Post+18+Career+choices+%2D+what+to+do%3F&pid=375>
- Why is it so important for me to know about Labour Market Information? Understanding Labour Market Information (LMI) helps our students be aware of where different job roles are needed in different regions and which types of jobs may need more people in the future. This can help shape or influence career pathways and choices. [Click here](#) to find out more
- The Career Teams page enables all students to keep up to date with news and opportunities



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Career provision at Rainham Mark Grammar School

All students:

- Start to have access to Unifrog from Year 7 - 13.
- Embedded Careers Programme across all Years
- Access to Career 1-2-1 meetings with our Careers Adviser
- Access to Career Resources and updates via Website, After School Career Surgeries, Careers office, Careers Teams page, Lessons, Form Time and Assemblies
- Opportunity to become a Career Champion for their year
- Have one subject and one PSHE lesson per term which is Career specific.
- Opportunity to input into Career provision via annual audit
- Career Fair in January run until 4pm for all students
- Work Experience in Year 10 and 12
- Enrichment week in July with focus on careers
- School Wide designated Career Week in November
- Access to a programme of Talks after-school delivered by Businesses and Organisations on their Career Pathways and Industries.
- At least one Assembly from an Apprenticeship provider
- All SEND students offered priority careers 1-2-1 meetings with Mrs Williams

www.rainhammark.com



Post 16 Career Choices - know your Levels

Level 3 :

A Levels * BTEC Diploma * NVQ Level 3 * Advanced Apprenticeship

Level 4 :

Year 1 University or * Certificate in Higher Education * Higher National Certificate * NVQ Level 4 * Higher Apprenticeship

Level 5 :

Year 2 University or * Diploma in Higher Education * Foundation Degree * NVQ Level 5 * Higher Apprenticeship

Level 6 :

Year 3 University or * Degree Apprenticeship * Degree with or without Honours * NVQ Level 6

Level 7 :

Masters Level * Masters Degree * NVQ Level 6 * Degree Apprenticeship

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Career Programme

Find out what Career Events we are planning this year via our Live Careers Calendar :

<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Our+Careers+Provision+KS3%2C+KS4+%26amp%3B+KS5&pid=371>



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**Lunchtime – Mondays –
Music Tech Group
All – E2**



**Lunchtime –
Wednesdays – Cricket
Club
KS3 – Sports Hall**



Before School Clubs

8.35 - 8.55

Tuesday - 8.35-8.55am		Year 7 Band Programme
Tuesday - 8.35-8.55am		Year 9 German Dual Linguists
Thursday – 8.35 - 8.55am		Year 9 French Dual Linguists
Thursday – 8.35 - 8.55 am		Year 9, 10 & 11 Spanish Dual Linguists
Friday - 8.35 - 8.55am		String Group – Selected Students
Friday – 7.30am		Basketball Squad



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Lunchtime Clubs		
Computing Club All - D1		
Maths Clinic All - HY		
Bio Clinic 6 th Form - Q1	Art Club KS4 & KS5 - R2	Business/Economics Support KS5 – J1
Christian Union All - A3	Creative iMedia Club Yr10 & Yr11 – D1	Chemistry Clinic Yr12 & Yr13 – M6
Crochet & Knitting All - L2	Engineering Society N5	Chess/Puzzle Club All – HZ
DT NEA Clinic All - N5	F1 in Schools Team Members – N5	Choir All – Recital Hall
Law Society L1	Geography Clinic All – D6	The Mark All – L6
Music Tech Club All - E2	Horribly Horrible History Club KS3 – F6	DT NEA Clinic Yr10-Yr13 – N5
String Group All - Recital Hall	LAMDA Yr7 & Yr8 – R3	Eco Club All – D2
Trombone Choir All - E1	MedSoc 6 th Form – Q1	LAMDA Yr7 & Yr8 – R3
KS4 Book Club Yr10 & Yr11 - R4	Philosophy Club Yr7 & Yr8 – H5	Scrabble Club All – L3
LAMDA Yr9 & Yr10 - R3	French Club – KS5	Music Support Session All – E2
	Wind Band All – Recital Hall	Psychology Support Week 2 Yr13 – G2
	Tech Tuesday – Young Technicians All -	RMGS Girls Right Society All – R2
Afterschool Clubs		
National Theatre Connections KS4&5 – A3 - 3.15-4.15pm	LAMDA Yr 7&8 - R3	Arts Award Club All – A2 - 3.15-4.15pm
Jam Club All – Music Block - 3.10-4.10pm		GCSE Art Intervention Yr10&11 - 3.15-4.15pm
LAMDA Yr9&10 – R3		GCSE Astronomy Yr9,10&11 – M7 - 3.15-4.15pm
Italian Club All – 3.15-3.45pm		GCSE English Intervention
Science KS3 – 3.05		LAMDA Yr7&8 – R3
		Shakespeare Schools Festival KS3 – A3
		Tabletop Gaming Club All – R3 - 3.05-4.05pm



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Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime Clubs	
Computing Club All - D1	
Maths Clinic All - HY	
Book Club KS3 – R4	Bohemian Society All – E1
Brass Group All – Recital Hall	Camival Club All – R2
Computer Science KS4 & KS5 – D5	Debate Club All – L2
Origami Club All – N1	Diversity Team All – C4
Quantum Physics Yr7-11 – M9	DT NEA Clinic Yr10-Y13 – N5
Ukulele Club All – E1	German 6 th Form – B2
	Symposium Club All – R2
Afterschool Clubs	
Big Band All – Recital Hall - 3.10-4.10pm	
Sociology Club Yr13 Week2 – G2 - 3.10-4.10pm	



Every day after school 3.05pm - 4pm



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RMGS PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXTRA-CURRICULAR

TIMETABLE

TERM 5&6



TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL 7:30 – 8:15		Netball Club Y7 (invite only) JSH		SQUAD CRICKET NETS Y7/8/9/10 (invite only) CON	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 / 9 SQUADS (invite only) GRA
BREAK 10:55 – 11:15	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) GRA	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) JSH	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) ALO	BASKETBALL CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH (sports hall) CON	BASKETBALL CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH (sports hall) MAL
LUNCH 1:30 – 2:00	BASKETBALL CLUB ALL YEARS (sports hall) GRA FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS (Fitness Suite) JWI	VOLLEYBALL CLUB ALL YEARS (sports hall) MAL	CRICKET CLUB Y7/8/9 (sports hall) CON FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS (Fitness Suite) JSH	BASKETBALL CLUB ALL YEARS (sports hall) GRA	BADMINTON CLUB Y7-10 (sports hall) JWI FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS (Fitness Suite) ALO
AFTER SCHOOL 3:05 – 4:30	GOLF CLUB Y7 & Y8 GRA CRICKET CLUB Y7/8/9/10 (sports hall & Field) CON/JSH	ATHLETICS CLUB ALL YEARS GRA/JWI/ALO DUKE OF EDINBURGH FITNESS CLUB (Fitness Suite) MAL	ATHLETICS CLUB ALL YEARS JSH/GRA/JWI/ALO	ROUNDERS CLUB ALL YEARS JWI/MAL	STAFF FOOTBALL (sports hall)

If you are attending a lunch club, you can receive a fast-track lunch pass from the PE department. Please bring your planner to the PE office at break to be signed.

Any questions please ask a member of the PE Department.





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Term Dates - September 2025 to July 2026

Term 1

Monday 1st September 2025 - Friday 17th October 2025

INSET days: Mon 01/09/25

Half Term Break : Monday 20th October 2025 – Friday 31st October 2025

Term 2

Monday 3rd November 2025 – Friday 19th December 2025

Early finish for students : Friday 19th December

Christmas Break : Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026

Term 3

Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Friday 13th February 2026

INSET days: Mon 05/01/26

Half Term Break Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026

Term 4

Monday 23rd February 2026 – Thursday 2nd April 2026

Easter Break Friday 3rd April 2026 – Friday 17th April 2026

Term 5

Monday 20th April 2026 – Friday 22nd May 2026

(Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2026)

INSET days: Mon 20/4/26

Half Term Break Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026

Term 6

Monday 1st June 2026 – Friday 24th July 2026

Early finish for students : Wednesday 22nd July

INSET days: Thurs 23/07/26 & Fri 24/07/26