



RMGS News



Important Dates:

Monday 7th & 8th September -
School
Photographs

Wednesday 9th September -
Design Museum
Trip – Year 11 & 13
DT Students

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True Adventure
Parent Meeting

Friday 11th September -
DofE Year 9 Briefing

Wednesday 14th October -
Open Evening

Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Members of our School Community,

I would like to extend a very warm welcome back to everyone following what I hope was a restful and enjoyable summer holiday.

It has been wonderful to see our school filled once again with energy, enthusiasm and positivity. There is a real sense of purpose around the school as we begin a new academic year together. I have been particularly impressed by the way our students have returned. They have come back wearing their uniform impeccably and representing our school with pride. We are incredibly proud of the standards they have set from the very first day.

This week, I had the honour of leading our start-of-year Academy Assembly. Our theme for this academic year is Belonging and Mattering. At the heart of our school community is the belief that every individual should feel valued, respected and appreciated. When people feel that they matter, they are able to develop a genuine sense of belonging. We want every student, member of staff, parent and carer to know that they are an important part of our school community, and we will continue to work together to ensure everyone feels supported, included and valued throughout the year ahead.

As we begin a new year, it is also important to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students in this summer's examinations.

Outstanding A Level Results

I am extremely proud of our A Level outcomes, which reflect the hard work, commitment and determination of our students and staff. This year, *60% of all A Level grades achieved were at A to B**.

A special congratulations goes to:

- Rhea G, who achieved an outstanding 5 A*s
- Naveen D, who achieved an exceptional 4 A*s
- James T, who achieved 3 A*s and 1 A
- Alex L-M, who achieved 2 A*s and 2 As

These remarkable achievements showcase the talent, resilience and aspiration that exists within our school community.

We are also delighted to recognise Manas V, Vrunda P and Bailey R, who made the most progress from GCSE to A Level. Their determination, perseverance and commitment to their studies are truly inspiring and reflect our school's values of aspiration and curiosity.

Celebrating GCSE Success

We are equally proud of our Year 11 students, who achieved an average attainment 8 grade 63, significantly above the 2025 national figure of 46

Special congratulations go to:

Daisy B, James C, Antonia M, Jonas M, William K, Phoebe O and Henry C.

Collectively, these students achieved an extraordinary 43 Grade 9s between them, a fantastic accomplishment that reflects their dedication and aspiration.

These achievements also provide an opportunity to recognise and thank our dedicated teachers, support staff, parents and carers. Working in partnership to support our young people has played a crucial role in enabling our students to achieve such success. Thank you for your continued encouragement, support and belief in our students.



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A Prestigious National Recognition

I am especially proud to share that James T in Year 13 has received an extraordinary national accolade.

James was awarded the Prezzy AQA Computer Science Award, placing him amongst the Top 100 Computer Science students nationally. As part of this achievement, James has been invited to attend a celebration and networking event hosted by Netcraft.

This is an exciting and prestigious accomplishment that reflects James's embodiment of our core values of aspiration and curiosity, alongside his creativity, dedication and passion for learning.

James, we are incredibly proud of you.

I would also like to thank Mrs Mayes, Mr Stewart, and the entire Computer Science Department for their unwavering support and commitment in helping students achieve excellence.

Making a Difference Beyond the Classroom

I am pleased to share that George G in Year 12 has demonstrated the importance of using one's talents, skills and platform to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

In memory of his uncle, who sadly passed away from pancreatic cancer, George completed a sky dive at Headcorn Aerodrome and raised £1434 for the charity Pancreatic Cancer whilst also raising awareness of this important cause. His compassion, leadership and commitment to supporting other families are truly inspiring.

We are incredibly proud of George and the positive impact he is making both within and beyond our school community. I look forward to watching the video, George!

Welcoming Our New Students

Finally, I would like to warmly welcome all of our new Year 7 and Year 12 students to RMGS.

It has been wonderful to see so many new friendships already forming and students beginning to discover their place within our school community. Starting at a new school is an exciting milestone and we are delighted that you have joined us.

I would also like to thank our new Year 7 parents and carers for ensuring that students have made such a positive start by arriving punctually and impeccably dressed as they begin their secondary school journey.

A special spotlight this week goes to Jacob C 7B, who has already demonstrated impressive culinary skills. It is always a pleasure to get to know our new students and celebrate their individual talents. Well done for sharing your baking skills with us. I look forward to tasting your creations during your Food Preparation and Nutrition lessons in the months ahead!

As we embark on this new academic year together, I am excited about all that lies ahead. The positive atmosphere around the school is a testament to the strength of our community, and I look forward to seeing our students continue to grow, thrive and achieve.

Have a thoroughly enjoyable weekend, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday.

Warm regards,

Mrs A. Hart
Headteacher



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On Friday 14th August, George G Year 12L sky dived at Headcorn Aerodrome to raise funds for Pancreatic Cancer in memory of his uncle Stew who, at just 55, died in January this year from this awful disease.

To date George has raised over £1434.

Well done George, you have done amazing! We are incredibly impressed that whilst you were sky diving you did not have a single hair out of place!



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This is **Jacob C** in **Year 7B** making cheese from scratch at home - he really enjoys cooking and was very lucky to be gifted a cheese making kit from his friends for his Birthday. Here's his first ever attempt at making a roule.



Read The Mark – link below:

<https://www.rainhammark.com/attachments/download.asp?file=1036&type=pdf>



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TRUE ADVENTURE



Rainham Mark Grammar School

Borneo Expedition

July 2028

Find out more!
Parent & student information evening
Thursday 24th September 6pm



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How to help at home with

Getting back to school

Re-establish routines: Aim for consistent bedtimes and wake-up times, especially during the first few weeks. Regular meals and a calm morning routine can make school days easier.

1

Prepare the night before: Encourage students to pack their bag, check their timetable, organise PE kit and uniform, and charge any devices they need.

2

Talk about school without pressure: Ask open questions such as "What was the best part of today?" or "Is there anything you're worried about tomorrow?" rather than focusing only on grades or homework.

3

Support independence: Secondary school brings more responsibility. Help students develop their own systems for remembering homework, equipment and deadlines rather than doing everything for them.

4

Keep mornings positive: Avoid unnecessary arguments about small things where possible. Having uniform, breakfast and bags ready can reduce last-minute stress.

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STEM RACING

Formally F1 in Schools 

**RMGS is coming back bigger than ever for a
chance at the regional trophy!**

We have 5 teams this year, so we have a good chance!

**If you would like to be a team sponsor, please scan
the QR code to access the MS Forms. You can choose
which team(s) to sponsor.**



Sponsorship rates:

Bronze £25	Silver £50	Gold £75	Platinum £100
✓ 1 post on social media ✓ 1 post in School newsletter	✓ 2 posts on social media ✓ 2 post in School newsletter ✓ Small logo on Team shirts	✓ 3 posts on social media ✓ 3 posts in School newsletter ✓ Medium logo on Team shirts	✓ 5 posts on social media ✓ 5 posts in School newsletter ✓ Large logo on Team shirts ✓ Logo on the competition car



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Contact Mrs Williams for any help with your Career
ewilliams@rmet.org

Year 7

Introduction to careers: Unifrog; PSHE; Trips

Year 8

Understanding Careers : Unifrog ; Career Talks; Career Fair; linking subjects to careers; Careers assembly; Trips; PSHE

Year 9

Linking Subjects to Careers : Career Fair; GCSE Choices; Unifrog; Career Talks; Careers assembly; Trips; PSHE

Year 10

Research Post 16 Career Options : Work Experience; Career Fair; Career 1-2-1 meetings; Career Talks; Careers assembly; Trips; PSHE

Year 11

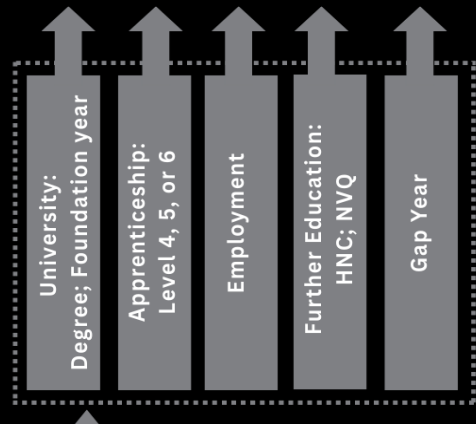
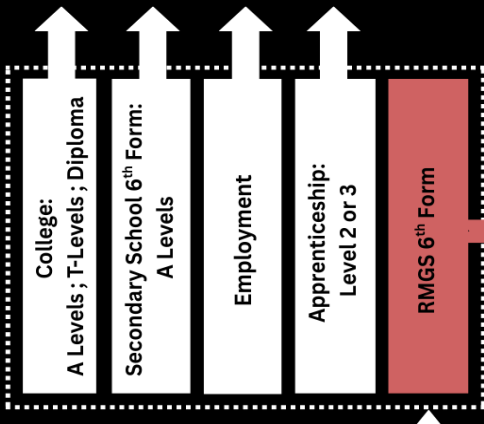
Post 16 Choices: GCSE Exams; Career Fair; Career 1-2-1 meetings; Career Talks; Careers assembly; Trips; PSHE

Year 12

Post 18 Career Choices: Work Experience; Career Fair; Career 1-2-1 meetings; Career Events & Trips; Career Talks; Careers assembly; PSHE

Year 13

Post 18 Career Decision: UCAS; Open Days; Career Fair; Career 1-2-1 meetings; Career Events & Trips; Career Talks



Your Career Journey & Options



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Getting your child prepared

Regardless of what year your child is going into in September – it is never too early (or late) for your child to start exploring their career pathways and options.

Each Year group has a designated crib sheet which is packed with simple steps to help your child explore different career options, build a stronger understanding of different career pathways and how their subjects link to careers. By working through each step they'll further: develop personal skills; gain a clearer understanding of career and education pathways; improve their organisation; strengthen their sense of purpose; and raise aspirations.

Don't worry – this is not about your child having their entire future mapped out now. It's about exploring options, discovering what interests them, and gaining the confidence and clarity to make informed decisions when the time comes.

If you or your child are struggling with any of this or would like help please email me ewilliams@rmet.org

[Year 7 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)

[Year 8 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)

[Year 9 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)

[Year 10 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)

[Year 11 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)

[Year 12 Careers Crib Sheet.docx](#)



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Job of the Week

The “Job of the week” aims to: further support our career provision by raising awareness of the huge range of jobs across all sectors; raising student aspirations; and helping to link subjects to careers.

This week it's : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7gU-RIGyxEO>

Love History?

Where can it lead you?

Post-16

Courses:

- A-Level History
- A-Level Classic Civilisation
- A-Level Geology

Apprenticeships:

- Archaeological Technician
- Cultural Learning and Development Officer

Post-18

Courses:

- FDA History, Heritage & Culture
- BA (Hons) Ancient History and Archeology
- BA (Hons) History

Apprenticeships:

- Cultural Heritage Conservation Technician
- Historic Environment Advice Assistant

Future Careers

- Antique Dealer
- Archivist
- Archaeologist
- Art Gallery Curator
- Conservator
- Heritage Officer
- Museum Curator
- Tourist Guide

This subject links to regional growth job sectors in:

- Construction
- Leisure & Tourism
- Agriculture & Environment

Spot Light on...History.

This week we shine the light on History 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 History can take your child



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



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. **Can you help?** 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. So please reach out to **Mrs Williams** ewilliams@rmet.org to find out more

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](#)

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.m](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>



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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



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

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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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Calling any local businesses, parents & carers; Alumni or members of the local community

In addition to their existing PSHE provision, our 6th Form students have one Enrichment session every other week. Within this we are keen to offer a programme of practical life skills that students can take out into the wider world.

This is where we would love your help.

We are looking for any local businesses, Alumni or members of the local community who would be happy for volunteer 1 hour to come in after school and talk to our students on specific areas such as: car maintenance; budgeting & money; basic cooking skills; how to use social media professionally; how to switch off; health & wellbeing; basic maintenance such as changing a lightbulb; basic first aid etc

You do not have to be business or even a professional speaker - just someone who is keen to support our students as they start to navigate their next steps

Please get in touch with ewilliams@rmet.org if you are interested



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RMGS PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE - TERM 1



TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL 7:30 – 8:15	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 (SQUAD) (sports hall) GRA	NETBALL TRAINING Y9 / 10 / 11 (SQUAD) (sports hall) JSH	INDOOR CRICKET NETS (INVITE ONLY) (sports hall) CON	NETBALL TRAINING Y7 & Y8 (SQUAD) (sports hall) JSH	BASKETBALL CLUB Y9/10 (SQUAD) (sports hall) GRA
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AFTER SCHOOL 3:05 – 4:30	FOOTBALL CLUB Y7 BOYS & Y7/8 GIRLS CON/ALO/GRA/JWI CROSS COUNTRY & FITNESS CLUB (ALL YEARS) JSH DUKE OF EDINBURGH CLASSROOM TRAINING MAL	KENT CCC SACS ACADEMY TRAINING SACS Scholars (sports hall) 3-5pm Kent CCC Staff NETBALL FOR ALL KS3 MAL		KENT CCC SACS ACADEMY TRAINING SACS Scholars (sports hall) 3-5pm Kent CCC Staff DUKE OF EDINBURGH FITNESS CLUB MAL	

If you are attending a lunch club you are able to 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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GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Y7

FOOTBALL

TRIALS

 **BOYS** &  **GIRLS**



3:05PM – 4:30PM
MONDAY 7TH
SEPTEMBER 2026

 STUDENTS SHOULD MEET AT THE SPORTS CENTRE AFTER SCHOOL.

 STUDENTS SHOULD BRING PE KIT, BOOTS AND SHIN PADS.

 TRAINERS ARE FINE IF YOU DO NOT HAVE FOOTBALL BOOTS.

 IF YOU DO NOT HAVE SHIN PADS PLEASE STILL COME ALONG.



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NETBALL

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Term Dates **September 2026 to July 2027**

Term 1

Tuesday 1st September – Friday 16th October

***Tuesday 1st September is an INSET day**

Wednesday 2nd September – Only Year 7 & Year 12 students

Thursday 3rd September – All students return as normal

Term 2

Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

***Friday 18th December - students leave at 13.20pm**

Term 3

Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February

***Monday 4th January is an INSET day.**

Term 4

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March

Term 5

Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May

Term 6

Monday 7th June – Wednesday 23rd July

***9th July is an INSET day.**

*** Wednesday 23rd September students leave at
13.20pm**

**Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd July are staff INSET days -
students are not in school.**