



STUDENT NEWS



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 & French Canteen Menu

Read on to find out more about the amazing things going on within school!

Out with the old, in with the new!

RMGS Student News is compiled every two weeks by Otilie and Kiran. Please send any material you would like to feature in the Student News to R80horstrup@rmgs.org.uk and F8KKarumathy@rmgs.org.uk.



We can't quite believe we're saying this... but this will be mine and Kiran's last ever Student News as we prepare to hand over to your new Head Students! Interviews for the roles of Head Student will be taking place this week, and while it is a little bittersweet, we can't wait to see the potential of those who will be taking over from us as we step down to focus on our A-Levels.

With that in mind, we'd like to use this bulletin as an opportunity to say our farewells and reflect on what a wonderful year we've had as Head Girl and Head Boy. This year has absolutely flown by, and we are so proud to have taken this opportunity. We hope we have managed to make school life just that little bit better for everyone, whether it be through leading school parliament and cabinet, speaking in assemblies and at open days, or running clubs in school. We'd like to thank everyone involved in these student-led schemes, all the amazing prefects without whom we couldn't have done it, and of course, Mrs Macken and Mr Twizell for always supporting us along the way.

Read on for personal 'farewell' messages from the prefects, and from Kiran and me!

Thank you again to everyone who reads the Student News! We put so much work into it and hope it has been useful to you. We can't wait to see the changes the new Head Students will make to our beloved bulletin 😊



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Key messages

Hi all,

Any observant readers of this bulletin may have noticed that we have not published in a few weeks - you can blame our Year 13 mocks for that!

The last week of term has finally arrived - it's been a good start to the year with lots of events and buzz around the school.

The current Prefects are handing over to the new Prefect team this week. Collectively we look forward to supporting them through this journey while we're still here.

Our Cabinet Meeting was held on 30th January. It was a productive meeting, the first in which both Cabinet members and House Council Reps were present. A range of issues were discussed, from the toilets, reward system, fundraising, and charity ideas to potential new laptops and computer improvements for the future. We were lucky to have Mrs Hart and Mr Smith lead the meeting and provide feedback on all that the school was doing, behind-the-scenes, to improve the student experience. It was great to have a larger, more representative meeting with all the House Council reps involved - I look forward to seeing the student voice flourish in the next few weeks and months.

Wishing you all a peaceful half-term break ahead.

Kiran K. Head Boy

I genuinely cannot believe it is time to give up my role as Head Girl already! However, I'm so excited to be involved in selecting the next generation of Head Students, and I look forward to passing on the mantle to what I know will be a very capable group of young leaders. To our wonderful group of prefects, all the staff who have helped me set up initiatives, lead parliament meetings and have just been there for the whole prefect team when things get tough: thank you. I have learned so much about myself in this role, grown so much as a person and accomplished things that I am incredibly proud of, and I think I have the role of

Head Student to thank for that. I set out to show my appreciation for RMGS in this role, and it truly has been such a rewarding experience to be able to better the school community. And to whoever the new Head Students will be, Kiran and I will be more than happy to lend a hand or share some words of wisdom in the few months we have left in school!

Ottilie H. - Head Girl 2024-2025

Goodbye from your current Head Students...

Being Head Boy has been a huge privilege, and it has been fulfilling to give back to a community I have been a part of for 7 years! Running Parliament and Cabinet, in the attempts to bolster our student voice, was a big goal of mine - seeing students from all years discussing key topics and issues with each other always felt so unifying and I am happy to have been a small part in that process. Although at times it did feel quite overwhelming, being a Prefect is something I will carry with me in the next steps of my life, and I look forward to applying the skills and experiences I have gained in my future endeavours.

Kiran K. - Head Boy 2024-2025



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CLUBS

RMGS CHOIR

♪ SOPRANO – ALTO – TENOR – BASS ♪

Do you enjoy singing? Do you want to make new friends and improve your skills? Then RMGS' new Student Choir is perfect for you!

Open to all year groups

Wednesday lunchtimes
1:30-1:55 Recital Hall

Don't worry if you don't know which type of voice you have- just come along! ☺

Run by Otiilie (member of Kent Youth Choir), Turkan and John
Please email RBOhorstrup@rmgs.org.uk for more information.

COME AND SING!

CLASSICAL- POP- MUSICAL THEATRE

MMA's Free Online Music Technology Sessions
Open to ages 9-18
Join our virtual sessions
Tuesday 16:30 - 17:30 (term time only)

For full details visit
www.medwaymusicassociation.co.uk
MEDWAY MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Open to all interested in promoting girls' rights and gender equality



GIRLS HUMAN RIGHTS HUB

RMGS Girls' Human Rights Mini Hub

Introductory Session
Monday 9th December 13:30 R2

Everybody Welcome!

Co-Ordinator: esutton@rmet.org

Student Ambassador: p9saulakh@rmet.org



The RMGS Uniform bank

The Uniform bank has returned for the new year offering free second-hand uniform for anyone in need:

The open rail will have a selection of uniform in various sizes and will be updated weekly

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For any questions or specific requests.



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Farewell from your 2024-2025 PREFECTS!

Environment
Creativity

 Kacie DHS	 Daisy F7/ F8	 Jaiden Tutoring	 Eleanor R7/ R8	 Erin N7/ N8
 Ruby S7/ S8	 Thomas DHS	 Nat Charity	 Jake N	 Ottillie HS
 Anneliese Creativity	 Hannah Community	 Jessica L7/ L8	 Kiran HS	 Patience Diversity
 Freddie B7/ B8	 Jaryn A	 Charlotte B	 Lucy L	 Corbin S
 Janai DHS	 Matei A7/ A8	 Neriah R	 Elizabeth P	 Rebecca Sport
 Emma Environment	 Bony DHS	 Karan F	 Grace P7/ P8	 Juliette Wellbeing

Tutoring
Charity

Wellbeing
Community

Sport
Diversity

A little reminder of the roles we have played in our time as prefects. Read on for a personal 'Goodbye' from each of us!

On this grid, your Head Student Team (HST) is indicated by the titles HS (Head Students) and DHS (Deputy Head Students).

Key:

HST	Pillar prefects
House captains	Form prefects



Farewell from your 2024-2025 PREFECTS!

"We cannot believe we have come to the end of this prefect tenure! It has been such an amazing year and we're so grateful to have had the opportunity to be part of the Head Student Team. We are so proud of what we have achieved as a team and are even more excited to see what the new cohort will bring to the RMGS community. Thank you to all the staff who have supported the initiatives from the Head Student Team- initiatives like the uniform bank, eco club, charity week, culture day, sports day, choir and every parliament meeting. The past year has been so valuable to us, and we hope the new Head Student Team enjoy their roles as much as we have enjoyed ours."

Deputy Head Students- Janai, Kacie, Bony and



"Sofas too comfy to not fall asleep on! "

Hannah

"Being a prefect is about the friends we made along the way" – Freddie

"pigeon friends* " – Janai

"I've enjoyed every second of it...especially having to embarrass ourselves dancing in front of the entire school" **Grace**

"I became a prefect for the microwave, but I guess I've made some good friends and memories too!" – Erin

"Prefecting was never about the shiny badge or the Prefect room... always the free biscuits (shoutout Mrs Wallis)!" – Kiran

"I'm still annoyed at that squirrel for giving me a small fright" – Otilie

"Loved having a fridge, sofas and a tv... being a prefect was fun too I swear!"-Ruby

"No Prefect has gone through as much as our microwave did..." – Jaiden

"When we stepped into this role it's fair to say that most of us didn't know how to give a presentation to a class let alone an entire assembly. As house captains, we have built our confidence and covered topics such as mental health and charity in our term assemblies. We've enjoyed introducing form-time house challenges like the speed stacking, something that the new house officers and captains will be involved in and continue. Our proudest moments include the work we put into Charity Week, Sports Day and Champions' Day- the inflatable day in the sports hall for last year's champions - Brontë - was also super fun to run and the house captain team is proud this is something we made happen even when at times it didn't look promising. Since last February the house system looks a lot different and as we leave our prefect roles to focus on A-Levels, we're glad that we had an impact and are excited to see what the new house captains do in their roles."

House Captain Team

"We've really enjoyed helping younger students and shaping young minds, especially in developing their maths and reading skills. Working with the form tutors has been a fun experience but make sure you stay organised! It's nice building up bonds with each student and they are excited to tell you about their plans!"

Form Prefect Team

"Great memories, greater naps"-
Neriah

"From Prefect to rooftop sax player, I've truly reached the peak of my school career." -Tom

"Will I miss it? Of course I will. At least I can still use the lanyard"-
Corbin

"Prefect benefits are real"-
Jake



Farewell from your 2024-2025 PREFECTS!



“I’ll forever miss the sweet treats
that we were given as rewards”
– Lucy



“Who else can say they threw a
bottle of Prime at Dr Lewthwaite
while standing on the roof?”
- Charlotte



“Not many people can say
they’ve missed a week of
lessons to dance whilst Mr
Murphy raps” – Becca

“We can never listen to ‘Ice, Ice
Baby’ the same way again” –
**Elizabeth + Juliette +
Emma**

“Never answering that
prefect telephone again” -
Anneliese

“More meetings, more
responsibility, still no paycheque”
-Karan



It’s safe to say we’ve made the
most amazing memories,
friendships, and dances in our
time as prefects! We can only
wish the new group of prefects
the same amount of joy that
we’ve experienced, and offer
you our support if you need it.
Make sure to work hard, but
remember to enjoy the little
things too. 😊

Lots of love, from your 2024-
2025 prefects!

OVER AND OUT!



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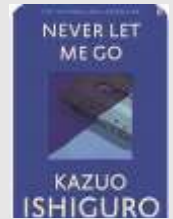


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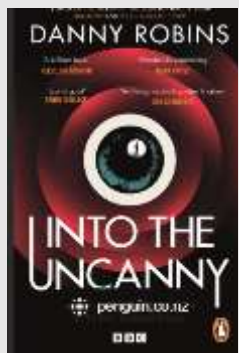


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What have we been reading?



Otilie has been



Danny Robins- Into the Uncanny

I have absolutely devoured this book recently! Based on the podcast 'Uncanny', it takes a deep dive into the question of whether ghosts really exist, with equal input from believers, skeptics, scientists and those who have experienced truly spooky things... well worth a read just for the fun of it!

Kiran has been reading...

I am currently reading 'Never Let Me Go' by Kazuo Ishiguro. Set in an alternative version of late-20th-century England, the story follows Kathy and her childhood friends, Ruth and Tommy, as they navigate their lives at Hailsham—a boarding school with an unusual emphasis on creativity and health. Over time, they come to realise that they are clones, created solely to become organ donors for others. As they transition from childhood to adulthood, the characters struggle with love, loss, and the inescapable fate that awaits.

Year 13 book club members are currently taking a hiatus to focus on our A levels, but it's full steam ahead for Year 12 students!

Book club isn't just for English Literature students; we'd love to welcome any 6th Form student who is interested to come and read and chat about books. 😊

6th FORM BOOK CLUB'S BOOKSHELF SO FAR...





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Eco club notices



Farewell from Kacie, Eco lead and Deputy Head Student!

"Hi everyone, thank you for all the support I've received over the past year. I wouldn't have been able to do it without the amazing ideas and help of the eco club team. It's been an incredible experience and I've enjoyed every moment. I hope the group continues with its awesome work and I wish them all the best!"

I would also like to say a huge thank you to Mr Staiano (Head of Geography) for leading many eco initiatives within the school. The school has been awarded the Green Flag plaque as part of the work we do for eco schools. The plaque will be placed at the front of the school.



Thank you to our students and staff who are involved in the variety of eco initiatives we run as a school. We have had a huge push on reducing the litter around the school site and protecting the grassy areas. Thank you to all staff and students for their support.

A message from Mrs Hart...

Are you fed up of paying 60p for a takeaway box? Bring in your own lunch box from home – it saves you money and reduces unnecessary waste! Use it for the canteen main meal and get a stamp on your canteen loyalty card, available where hot food is served 😊

Get your Canteen Loyalty Card today! Use a mug or thermos 6 times and get your 7th hot drink free! Cards available from the main hot food hatch.

Reward points available for attending eco club, litter critter crew and getting involved with eco projects!

Do you care about the environment? Then join eco club today! Come along to D2 on a Monday lunchtime to get involved. For more info email f8katkinson@rmgs.org.uk



Join Litter Critter Crew today! Help our planet and keep the school looking great. We meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday form times in the quad – remember to get registered first. R3s for attending 3 times!



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Student-led initiative

UNIFORM BANK



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Shout outs!

WELL DONE

Year 7

Reward Points - Top Students Per Form

7A – Abbie-Gail O - 226
 7B – Oliver B – 313
 7F – Nathanael W - 501
 7L – Pelumi A - 297
 7N – Darius F - 204
 7P – Modesola M - 279
 7R – Ayongwe A - 249
 7S – Bea H – 227

Congratulations to Edle M in 8S. Edle travelled to Sweden at the weekend for the Golden Girl Box Cup 2025.

As the competition was being held in Sweden she had to fight according to a different set of Boxing rules but still managed to win a gold medal.

Edle was also able to spar with other girls from other UK Boxing clubs from across the country during the event.

Well done Edle !!

We are always looking to celebrate the achievements of our student body. If you have something you would like to share with the rest of the school community, don't hesitate to email Kiran or Otilie and we'd love to display it in this section of the bulletin!

 **check out our new promotional video!**

RMGS CLUBS



RMGS Extra-Curricular Clubs 2024-25



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH	<p>Level Up Club Year 11 - R4</p> <p>Bio Clinic Sixth Form - Q1</p> <p>Music Tech Club All year groups - E2</p> <p>String Group All year groups Recital Hall</p> <p>Maths Clinic All year groups - HY</p> <p>Crochet & Knitting All year groups - L2</p>	<p>MedSoc Sixth Form - Q1</p> <p>Take It Further Club Year 10 - R4</p> <p>Wind Band All year groups Recital Hall</p> <p>Geography Clinic All year groups - D6</p> <p>Creative iMedia Club Years 10 & 11 - D1</p>	<p>Chess / Puzzle Club 1:20pm - 2:05pm - HZ</p> <p>Ukulele Club All year groups - E1</p> <p>Arts for Wellbeing All year groups - R2</p> <p>KS3 Art Club KS3 - R1</p> <p>Eco Club All year groups - D2</p> <p>Chemistry Clinic Sixth Form - M6</p> <p>Scrabble Club All year groups - L3</p> <p>Music Support Session All year groups - E2</p>	<p>KS4/5 Art Club Years 10 to 13 - R2</p> <p>Brass Group All year groups - Recital Hall</p> <p>Black History Month Club All year groups - R1</p> <p>KS3 Book Club Selected Pupils - R4</p> <p>Quantum Physics All years - M9</p>	<p>Debate Club All year groups - L2</p> <p>Origami Club All year groups - N1</p> <p>German Lunch Sixth Form - B2</p> <p>Bohemian Society All year groups - E1</p> <p>Maths Clinic All year groups - HY</p>
AFTER SCHOOL	<p>Homework Club - Library</p> <p>Tabletop Gaming Club All year groups - S1</p> <p>Grease Rehearsals All year groups - A1 & A3</p>	<p>Homework Club - Library</p> <p>Science Club KS3 - M3</p> <p>Jam Club All years - Music block</p> <p>Sparx Club Years 7 to 11 - M8</p> <p>Connections Rehearsals Year 10 GCSE - A3</p>	<p>Homework Club - Library</p> <p>Grease Music Rehearsals All year groups - Recital Hall</p> <p>Shakespeare Schools All year groups - A3</p>	<p>Homework Club - Library</p> <p>Big Band All year groups - Music Block</p> <p>Grease Rehearsals All year groups - A1 & A3</p> <p>Paper Club Y11 & 12 Helpers - HY</p> <p>GCSE German Speaking Club Year 11 - B2</p>	<p>Homework Club - Library</p> <p>Grease Band Rehearsals All year groups - Recital Hall</p>

RMGS SPORT



RMGS PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

TERM 1



TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BEFORE SCHOOL 7:30 – 8:15					BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 / 9 SQUADS GRA
BREAK 10:55 – 11:15	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH (sports hall) (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH (sports hall) (DUTY STAFF)
LUNCH 1:30 – 2:00	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports hall) GRA FITNESS CLUB 6 th Form (sports centre) JWI	TABLE TENNIS CLUB Y7 / 8 (top gym) CON FITNESS CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 (sports centre) ALO	TABLE TENNIS Y9/10/11 (top gym) CON FITNESS CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports centre) ALO	BASKETBALL CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 (sports hall) GRA FITNESS CLUB Y7 / 8 (sports centre) MAL	BADMINTON CLUB Y7-10 (sports hall) JWI FITNESS CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 (sports centre) JSH
AFTER SCHOOL 3:05 – 4:30	RUGBY CLUB Y7 & Y8 CON CROSS COUNTRY & FITNESS CLUB (ALL YEARS) JSH	FOOTBALL CLUB Y7 BOYS & ALL GIRLS CON/ALO/GRA/JWI NETBALL SQUAD TRAINING Y7 & 8 MAL	NETBALL SQUAD TRAINING Y9 & 10 (optional Y11) JSH	NETBALL 4 ALL Y7 / 8 / 9 MAL 6 th FORM BADMINTON PE STAFF	

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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