



RMGS NEWS

5th December 2025

Key Messages

Key Dates

Christmas Charity Event
5th Dec 2025

Christmas Concerts
10th & 11th Dec 2025

Christmas Dinner
12th Dec 2025

GCSE/A Level Presentations
3.30pm-6.30pm

Rock n Roll
17th-19th Dec 2025

Last day of term
Early Finish 1.20pm
19th Dec 2025

First day back for all
Students
6th Jan 2026

Year 9 Options Evening
4pm-7pm

Last week I was fortunate enough to attend the Year 9 German trip to Aachen. We shared so much joy and laughter, and it was a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about German history and culture. Thank you to Frau Brodkorb and Frau Stewart for leading the trip, and to Mr Adkins, Mrs Stewart, Ms Robinson, Ms Amatriain, and the 72 Year 9 students who attended. It was a fabulous experience for all involved.

A special thank you goes to Celeste W, who has achieved the highest number of achievement points in Year 7. Well done, Celeste, for truly embodying the ARCH values. As part of celebrating her achievements, Celeste switched on the Christmas lights on our Christmas tree in the main office. Thank you, Celeste, for contributing to the RMGS Christmas spirit.

A huge thank you also to Ms Kemp for entering RMGS into the Christmas Tree Competition from Hans Christmas Andersen Farm in Sittingbourne. We are delighted to have two real Christmas trees on the school site this year, and we will be placing the second one in our school library for students and staff to enjoy.

The theme for assembly this week was The Spirit of Christmas. I shared with the whole school how important it is to spend time with the people we love during the festive season. However, we also acknowledged that this time of year can be challenging for some, and it is important that we take time to look after ourselves and each other. We wish you a thoroughly enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Hart,
Headteacher



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Well done to **7S** for **98.57%** attendance last week.

Top 3 Students – No behaviour Points

7A – Joshua – 362

7L – Celeste – 245

7B – Theodore - 222

Congratulations to Alishba, James, Jessie, Jacob and William on their fantastic participation in the UKMT Senior Maths Challenge. Your **Aspiration** to strive for excellence shines through in the way you embraced this opportunity, and the **Respect** you have shown for the subject and for each other is truly commendable. Taking on such a demanding Challenge reflects your determination and resilience, and it is wonderful to see the **Happiness** that comes from celebrating both individual and collective achievements. A special well-deserved recognition goes to Alishba for achieving a prestigious Gold award—an inspiring accomplishment for everyone





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📍 U13 Boys Badminton – Medway Schools Success!

Our U13 boys A and B teams shone at the Medway Schools Badminton Competition.

The A Team played superbly, reaching the final and finishing with a strong 2nd place after a very close match. 🏆

The B Team were outstanding, winning all their matches to claim 1st place in their competition. 🏆

A brilliant effort from both teams and a fantastic way to follow up our girls success last week, well done! 🙌🏆





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🏐 Kent Netball Finals Day 2025 – U16 & U14 Round-Up 🏐

A huge well done to both our Under 16 and Under 14 teams for finishing in the top eight in Kent — a brilliant achievement, especially as we were one of the few state schools competing.

Under 16 – 6th in Kent 🏆

Our U16s were outstanding, winning three of their seven games and only narrowly losing the others. Their performance reflects the hard work and talent developed over the last five years, and Mark's support has been fantastic throughout. We hope to see many of them proudly wearing a Rainham Mark netball dress again in Sixth Form!

Under 14 – 8th in Kent ★

Despite missing key players due to the German trip, our U14s showed real spirit and gave a fantastic account of themselves, securing 8th place.

Both teams represented the school brilliantly. Well done to all our players! 🏆 🏐 🏐





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Christmas Concerts

Everyone is warmly invited to this year's Christmas Concerts, taking place on **Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th December** in the main school hall. The concerts begin at 6:30pm and are expected to finish at around 9pm.

The evenings will feature school ensembles including Big Band, Brass Group, Ukulele Club, Wind Band, and String Group, alongside soloists from all year groups. Join us in celebrating the wide array of musical talent within the RMGS community.

Following a well-established tradition, the concerts will also include performances from the Year 7 massed choir. On Wednesday 10th December, the choir will be formed by A7, B7, F7, and L7, while on Thursday 11th December the singers will be from N7, P7, R7, and S7.

We will be raising money for the charity Shelter, which supports millions of people each year facing unsafe housing or homelessness through advice, support, and legal services. Every 12 minutes this Christmas, a family will lose their home. You can find support and further details on their website: www.shelter.org.uk.

Tickets are available via ParentPay, but sales will close once the hall reaches capacity—so don't delay!

The Music Department looks forward to welcoming you to these festive events.

RMGS Music Department presents

The Christmas Concerts 2025

Two evenings of performances by students in Years 7 to 13

Wednesday 10 December
Thursday 11 December

A7, B7, F7 & L7 massed choir on Wednesday
N7, P7, R7 & S7 massed choir on Thursday

Main School Hall, 6:30pm

Tickets available on ParentPay





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MACBETH, MACBETH, MACBETH, MACBETH, MACBETH

**AN NT CONNECTIONS PLAY
PERFORMED BY KS4&5 STUDENTS**



Scan to purchase tickets

Gulbenkian Theatre

Wed 22 April @ 6pm

*Festival Performance Day 1, with
RMGS and FSG*

Please be aware that this play contains depictions of anxiety, and references to colonialism; age recommendation 14+

**National
Theatre**

RMGS NT Connections
Cast & Company



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Christmas Tree

A big Thank you to Celeste in 7L for decorating our real Christmas tree in Reception. Celeste was chosen due to having the highest reward points in year 7. Well done!!



Lost Property

A little reminder that we have lots of lost property. If a child has lost anything please can they come and check at the site team office.





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New Science Club starting in the new year

**KS3
SCIENCE
CLUB**

**STARTING
JANUARY**

**SCIENCE
BLOCK
M5**

**INTRODUCTION
TO ASTRONOMY**

**VARIOUS
STEM
PROJECTS**

**MONDAYS
AFTER
SCHOOL
3.15 - 4.15**

LEARN NEW SKILLS:

- Problem-solving**
- Teamwork**
- Creativity**
- Scientific thinking**

The poster features several science-related icons: two beakers with orange and green liquids, an atom model, a rocket launching, a lightbulb, a DNA double helix, and a flask with green liquid and bubbles.



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F1 in Schools sponsor shoutout!

Smooth OperRacer's would like to give a huge thank you to '**Lucas First Aid Training**' for being our first sponsor with a very generous donation towards the team. We are very proud to be sponsored by a company who do so much good in the community, educating others on how to save lives. Visit them at <https://lfat.co.uk/>

We would also like to give a massive thank you to '**Hodsall Data & Security**' for being Smooth OperRacer's second sponsor and Light Speed's first sponsor. Hodsall Data & Security is run and managed by engineers with an emphasis on providing bespoke security and data solutions. Visit them at <https://www.hodsall.com/>

We are very excited to announce '**Phinia**' have joined us as a sponsor for Smooth OperRacers as their third sponsor! Phinia are advancing sustainability today by creating a fuel-efficient, premium quality portfolio to constantly move towards greater sustainability. Visit them at: <https://www.phinia.com/>

Smooth OperRacers are on a roll with their fourth sponsor! '**PG platforms**' are a power access company providing hiring services across Kent and Medway with even some self-drive options as well as IPAF operators. Visit them at: <https://www.pgplatforms.co.uk/>

'**La Bella Boutique**' is Light Speed's second sponsor and Smooth OperRacers fifth. They are locally based in Gillingham providing prom and evening dresses with fittings. They are currently taking bookings for prom so Year 11 and 13's, take a look! They only provide 1 dress style per school so you will be one of a kind. They are also currently advertising for students to leaflet for the business in return for a discount! Find them on Facebook and Instagram: <https://www.facebook.com/p/La-Bella-Boutique-100093228790088/> and <https://www.instagram.com/labellaboutique.1/>

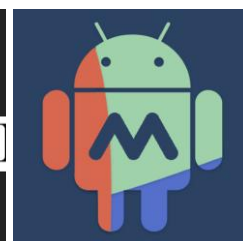
'**Macrodroid**' is our newest sponsor being Smooth OperRacers sixth sponsor and Light Speed's third. It is an organisational app for Android which can aid with organising files and sending automated responses to messages etc. Visit them at: <https://www.macroid.com/>



Lucas First Aid Training



HODSALL
DATA & SECURITY





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**RMGS is competing in our first ever
STEM Racing event, sponsored by
Formula 1.**

**If you would like to be a team sponsor, please fill
in the form below. Sponsorship rates are on the
following page.**

<https://forms.office.com/e/1sdpzjbzeN>

Follow our teams progress on Instagram



@LIGHT_SPEED.F1



@SMOOTHOPERRACERS



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[Click here](#) to find out more about the competition!

Sponsorship rates:

Bronze £25	Silver £50	Gold £75	Platinum £100
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 1 post on social media✓ 1 post in School newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 2 posts on social media✓ 2 post in School newsletter✓ Small logo on Team shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 3 posts on social media✓ 3 posts in School newsletter✓ Medium logo on Team shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 5 posts on social media✓ 5 posts in School newsletter✓ Large logo on Team shirts✓ Logo on the competition car

Follow our teams progress on Instagram



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@SMOOTHOPERRACERS



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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>

Reminder: Year 10 and Year 12 Work Experience deadlines

This is a reminder about the forthcoming deadline for students in Year 10 and Year 12 to get their Work Experience Placements entered onto Unifrog. The deadline for Year 12 is the **16th December** and the deadline for Year 10 is **12th January**. All students have been encouraged to arrange their own work experience by using the range of resources on our website; speaking to friends and family and contacting connections or local businesses. If all these resources are exhausted, students can get support and guidance from the Head of Year and the Careers Coordinator:

<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Work+Experience&pid=229>

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 : <https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Labour+Market+Information&pid=370>
- 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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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/>

Latest Career Opportunities

There have been some wonderful career opportunities this week – so please go and check these out by visiting our website :

<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Latest+Career+Opportunities&pid=369&action=saved>

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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RMGS Career Fair : Call for businesses & organisations

If you are a business / organisation / Alumni /
Sole trader etc and are interested in being
involved in our Career Fair on the 28th
January - we would love to hear from you.

Email: ewilliams@rmet.org

www.rainhammark.com

"My children are thriving at the school and are thoroughly enjoying school life."
- Parent feedback survey.

Degree Apprenticeships – information you need to know

If your child is interested or looking to apply for a Degree Apprenticeship after their A Levels then this is for them. The process of finding and applying for Degree Apprenticeships is not as straight forward as it is for a Traditional Degree – there is no central hub such as UCAS. But do not let that put your child off. To help them we have put together a range of useful resources that they can use – including search platforms; CV help; Tracking template.

<https://www.rainhammark.com/page/?title=Post+18+Career+choices+%2D+what+to+do%3F&pid=375&action=saved>



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CAN YOU HELP?

Can you - or anyone you know - support our Careers Programme please?

We are passionate about providing a robust and fulfilling career programme to ALL students. Whether it's a Talk, Career Fair, Work Experience or workshop...if you can help support in any way we'd love to hear from you. Whether you are a sole trader, small business, large business or retired... your experiences might help shape our youngsters.

Please contact me for a chat or more information :
ewilliams@rmet.org

Linking subjects to careers : How does my child's subject link to a career?

It's important for students to recognise the link between the subject they are studying and potential career pathways. Each week we will feature a specific subject and show how this links to a career pathway. In addition this tool can be useful for students who aren't sure what the subjects they study at school or college have to do with work and their career OR those that really enjoy a subject but wonder if there will be any future use for it in the workplace? <https://yourskillsmap.com/>

NEW Higher & Degree Apprenticeships Vacancy Listing

Explore 2,400 Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancies from 80+ employers, including Accenture, AstraZeneca, British Army, Dunelm, EDF, IBM, KPMG, Network Rail, Nestle, Rolls-Royce, Siemens, Thames Valley Police, Vodaphone and many more! <https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Higher-and-Degree-October-2025.pdf>

Where can your child get Careers Advice?

We are passionate about ensuring all of our students have access to Careers guidance and support throughout their time with us here at RMGS. If you need any information or would like to book a 1-2-1 careers meeting for your child then please contact our Careers Co-ordinator Mrs Williams ewilliams@rmet.com

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

Monday 5th 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



RMGS Extra-Curricular Clubs 2025-26



Monday

Lunch

BigClinic
6th Form -Q1

Christian Union
All -A3

Computing Club
All – D1

Crochet & Knitting
All – L2

DT NEA Clinic
Y10-13 -N5

Law Society
L1

Maths Clinic
All – HY

Music Tech Club
All – E2

String Group
All – Recital Hall

Trombone choir
All – E1

KS4 Book club
Y10 & 11 – R4

LAMDA
Y9 & 10 – R3

Tuesday

Art Club
KS4 & KS5 – R2

Computing Club
All – D1

Creative iMedia Club
Y10 & 11 – D1

Engineering Society
N5

F1 in Schools
Team members – N5

Geography Clinic
All – D6

Horrifically Horrible History
Club
KS3 – F6

LAMDA
Y7 & 8 – R3

Maths Clinic
All – HY

KS4 & KS5 Art Club
Y10,11,12,13 – R2

MedSoc
6th Form – Q1

Philosophy Club
Y7 & 8 – H5

Take it Further
Y10 – R4

Wind Band
All Recital Hall

Wednesday

Business/Economics
Support
KS5 – J1

Chemistry Clinic
Y12 & Y13 – M6

Chess/Puzzle Club
All – HZ

Choir
All – Recital Hall

Computing Club
All – D1

DT NEA Clinic
Y10-13 -N5

Eco Club
All – D2

LAMDA
Y7 & 8 -R3

Level Up Club
Y11 – R4

Maths Clinic
All – HY

Music Support Session
All – E2

Psychology Support
Week 2 Y13 – G2

RMGS Girls Rights Society
All – R2

Scrabble Club
All – L3

The Mark All – L6

Thursday

Black History Month Club
All – R1

Book Club
KS3 – R4

Brass Group
All – Recital Hall

Computing Club
All – D1

Computer Science
KS4 & KS5 – D5
(after Oct half term)

Creative Ambassadors
Week 1 – R1

Maths Clinic
All – HY

Origami Club
All – N1

Public Speaking
Y9 & 12 – R2

Psychology Support
Week 1 Y13 – G2

Quantum Physics
Y7-11 – M9

Ukulele Club
All – E1

Friday

Bohemian Society
All – E1

Carnival Club
All – R2

Computing Club
All – D1

Debate Club
All – L2

Diversity Team
All – C4

DT NEA Clinic
Y10-13 -N5

German
6th Form – B2

Maths Clinic
All – HY

Politics Society
HZ

Sociology Club
Week 1 Y13 – G5

Just Dance
All – Dance Studio



RMGS Extra-Curricular Clubs 2025-26



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Before School

After School

National Theatre Connections
KS4 & KS5 – A3
3.15pm-4.15pm

Jam Club
All – Music Block
3.10pm-4.10pm

LAMDA
Y9 & 10 – R3

French Cine Club

LAMDA
Y7 & 8 – R3

Arts Award Club
All -A2
3.15pm-4.15pm

GCSE Art Intervention
Y10 & 11
3.15pm-4.15pm

GCSE Astronomy
Y9, Y10 & y11 – M7
3.15pm-4.45pm

GCSE English Intervention

LAMDA
Y7 & 8 – R3

Shakespeare Schools
Festival
KS3 – A3

Tabletop Gaming Club
All – R3
3.05pm-4.05pm

Big Band
All- Recital Hall
3.10pm-4.10pm

Sociology Club
Y13 Week 2 – G2
3.10pm-3.40pm



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 / 10 SQUADS GRA
BREAK 10:55 – 11:15	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 <i>(sports hall)</i> (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 <i>(sports hall)</i> (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y7 / 8 <i>(sports hall)</i> (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH <i>(sports hall)</i> (DUTY STAFF)	BASKETBALL SHOOTING CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 / 6 TH <i>(sports hall)</i> (DUTY STAFF)
LUNCH 1:30 – 2:00	BASKETBALL CLUB Y7 / 8 <i>(sports hall)</i> GRA FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS <i>(sports centre)</i> JWI	TABLE TENNIS CLUB Y7 / 8 / 9 <i>(top gym)</i> CON FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS <i>(sports centre)</i> MAL	TABLE TENNIS 10 / 11 / 6 th <i>(top gym)</i> CON FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS <i>(sports centre)</i> JSH	BASKETBALL CLUB Y9 / 10 / 11 <i>(sports hall)</i> GRA	BADMINTON CLUB Y7-10 <i>(sports hall)</i> JWI FITNESS CLUB ALL YEARS <i>(sports centre)</i> ALO
AFTER SCHOOL 3:05 – 4:30	FOOTBALL CLUB Y7 BOYS & ALL GIRLS CON/ALO/GRA/JWI NETBALL SQUAD TRAINING (ALL YEARS) JSH/MAL	DofE FITNESS CLUB MAL	CROSS COUNTRY & FITNESS CLUB (ALL YEARS) JSH RUGBY CLUB Y7 & Y8 CON	6 th FORM BADMINTON GRA/ALO	

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.