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RGS NEWS

This Half-Term

It has been a busy end to the first term with several Careers highlights:

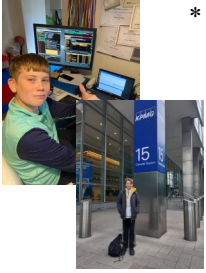
- * Y12 Aspiring Medics spent a day with Dr Dalby, having work experience at Harefield Hospital.
- * Our 6th Form celebrated Black History Month with Alistair Antoine (RGS' Volunteer Enterprise Advisor), hearing about our very own Mrs Thakrar's journey as a refugee family from Mozambique in Africa, to Portugal and now in the UK, in the spirit of this year's theme of "Saluting our Sisters".



- * Y8 and Y9 took part in a talk with OW Jonathan Herath, who returned to RGS to share his Degree Apprenticeship journey with the UK's leading Aerospace and Engineering company, BAE Systems.



- * Y10 and Y11 learnt all about alternative pathways to A Levels, making them aware of the new T-Levels, Vocational Courses and Apprenticeships.



* After an introductory assembly to share tips and advice for the day by Zitah McMillan (RGS' Volunteer Enterprise Advisor), Y9 embarked upon their first encounter of the workplace, taking part in a Work Shadowing Day. They gained those all-important employability skills with a diverse range of employers, who, in turn, were hugely complimentary of their performance, saying: "I have been trading since 1985 and have employed many teenagers as casual assistants, without question [your RGS student] ranks very highly [...] he is an absolutely wonderful student and it is clear that he has a fruitful life before him. I wish [him] every success academically and in his chosen career." Well done to all Y9 pupils who embraced this opportunity and thank you to the parents who supported the initiative.



* Our Y7-Y12 Careers Champions have been busy hosting various careers events around the school and raising the profile of Careers Education across their year groups. They have been a great addition to the Careers Team and taken to their new responsibilities in an exemplary way. You can find out more about them later in this edition.

- * Mr Marshall and our DT Department kindly hosted a great talk with OW Ibbby Rafiq, who came in to inspire the boys about his career path in Engineering since leaving RGS.
- * To raise their careers profile, students across the school have immersed themselves in various competitions and challenges - both at RGS and inter schools. Examples include the Grammar School Maths Competition which a number of boys led by Mrs Holmes and Mr Woolliams signed up to; the national Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream flavour challenge that Oscar Smith in Y8 took on; and the CyberCenturian challenge that Eesa, Muhammad and Ayaan in Y12 competed in nationally.
- * Finally, in order to raise awareness of the fairly new alternative pathway to University, parents and students in Years 11-13 were invited to our annual Degree/Higher Apprenticeships Evening, where they heard all about the current programmes on offer at Cisco, EY and Zenopa.

RGS Careers & Higher Education Talks

Our Tuesday Talks programme has had a lot of interest from our students and there has been a wide range of sectors covered. There is lots more planned for next term so watch this space!

Tues 12th December	EPQs and Academic Writing	University of Sheffield
Tues 23rd January	Choosing a Course and a University	Cardiff University
Tues 30th January	How to Write a Personal Statement	Exeter University
Tues 6th February	Applying and Working for EY— the EY Apprenticeship Scheme	Holly Whittaker Ernst & Young
Tues 5th March	All I did at RGS and have done since I left to Raise my Careers Profile	RGS Alumni Gianni Austin

Meet the New Careers Champions



Najam Bashir Year 7

My name is Najam Bashir and I am in 7Ke. I like sports and lego. Some of my favourite subjects are DT and Physics. I am happy to be a Careers Champion and strive to do my best. I enjoy being a careers champion because being one teaches me loyalty, responsibility, organisation and most importantly, respect. Careers encourages us to do our best and be better which is why I really enjoy this new role.

I am a Year 7 boy who enjoys playing rugby and badminton. My favourite subjects are Math, DT, Art, and Computer Science. I enjoy this role in the school as it helps with my confidence giving speeches regularly.

Max Mo Year 7



Emad Haroon Year 9

My name is Emad Haroon and I am Year 9 Careers Champion, as well as Sports Editor for the RGS Gazette. I'm a Year 9 student with a passion for sports—Rugby, Hockey, and Football are all top my list. When I'm not on the field, you'll find me immersed in my favourite subjects: Geography, Design & Technology, and Chemistry.



Oliver James Year 10

My name is Oliver, I'm in Year 10, I like being Careers Champion as it allows me to improve my public speaking skills and to help my classmates.

My favourite subjects are physics and geography as it allows me to learn more about the world.



Sakhran Shaker Year 11

I'm Sakhran and I'm in Year 11. My favourite subject is History and for A-Levels, I plan on doing Maths, History, Politics and Economics. My favourite part about this role has been the ability to meet with people who give talks to our year in person and see how it is like to do so, behind the scenes.





Aamir Khan Year 12

Hi everyone. My name is Aamir Khan and I'm currently in year 12. I'm currently studying Mathematics, History, Economics and Politics - and I enjoy all of them. Personally, I love the role of Careers Champion because I enjoy the public speaking element of it, but also because I think it is essential that everyone has a great understanding of careers education.

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University of Exeter offers language courses to pupils

Sixth form students can now enrol in 10-week language courses at the University of Exeter. The courses, which focus on Japanese culture and ancient Greece, are open to motivated 16 to 18 year olds. Students will learn basic language skills and gain an understanding of the history and culture of both countries. The courses are taught online and consist of one-hour sessions. The cost for the Sixth Form courses is £80.

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