



RGS ESTD 1562
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BOARDING

Meet The Team
at Fraser Youens

Fraser Youens Boarding House employs a number of staff who help the boarders in their daily lives.

There are three resident house staff who permanently live at Fraser Youens. Mr Jon Scourfield, the *Director of Boarding*, Mr Christopher Richardson, the *Academic Housemaster* and Mr Sam Clark, our *Pastoral Housemaster*. All three staff have specific roles within boarding, along with the responsibility of a small tutor group of boarders. The ethos of boarding is about allowing boarders the opportunity to develop in an environment where they feel safe and respected. We want to provide opportunities and activities that are stimulating and we want the boarders to live in an atmosphere of tolerance and mutual respect for one another and their surroundings.

Boarding House Staff

Jon Scourfield

Director of Boarding



Jon took up the position of Director of Boarding over a decade ago. Jon is married to Sarah (who is also a Boarding Co-ordinator and tutor) and they have two daughters. Jon is an avid reader when he has the time, and is passionate about most sports. Jon went to school in Yorkshire before studying a Physical Education degree at university. Initially after leaving, Jon juggled professional rugby league with his teaching career, however a knee injury put paid to the rugby and he joined RGS as Head of Year 7. He has also been Master in Charge of Athletics, Head of Rugby and a Head of Year in the Sixth Form. As well as Director of Boarding, Jon is an Assistant Head in the Main School. Jon loves travelling and has led numerous overseas trips and tours visiting North and South America, Australia, New Zealand and Africa. If you have any queries about any aspect of Boarding, Mr Scourfield will be able to point you in the right direction.

Christopher Richardson Academic Housemaster

Christopher completed his PGCE at Durham and joined the Royal Grammar School in 2018. He has been part of the boarding community since 2019, serving as a boarding tutor and most recently stepping into the role of Senior Boarding Tutor in 2023. Christopher is set to take over as Boarding Master in September 2024. A passionate sportsman, Christopher has played cricket at the district level in Ashford, participated in football with the RGS staff team, and enjoys playing table tennis. He is also a keen chess enthusiast. As a dedicated geography teacher, he delights in leading field trips to the Lake District and Skern Lodge in North Devon. In his new role as Boarding Master, Christopher will oversee academic matters within the boarding house, ensuring that all students are supported in reaching their full potential. He will coordinate the mentoring program, assist A-Level students with their university applications, and manage responsibilities related to Day Boarding and the boarding pocket money account.



Sam Clark Pastoral Housemaster

Sam started at RGS in 2016 and is Head of Hockey. Sam grew up and went to school in Oxford and comes from a family of teachers. He studied Psychology & Sport Science at Nottingham Trent University before getting his first taste of life in a boarding school in his first job post-graduation in Lancashire. Here, Sam completed his teacher training while working as a hockey coach and Deputy Housemaster before moving back to Oxford to join RGS and play hockey for his childhood club. Alongside his day job, Sam has a number of coaching roles outside of school, including with England Hockey where he gets to work with a number of RGS boarders including a couple of current Boarders. In his spare time, Sam enjoys reading, is a huge music fan but most importantly is always up for a game of table tennis, pool or football. Sam lives in Fraser Youens with his wife, Emily, and their young daughter. Emily is an engineer at Dyson and is also a hockey player and general sports enthusiast. Whenever they can, they like to get away and find any beach in North Cornwall but equally enjoys hiking trips in the Lakes, Wales and Scotland. Sam manages the boarding prefects, the House Blog and runs the house activity system. If you have any suggestions for activities, speak to Mr Clark.



Boarding Tutors

There are eight Boarding Tutor groups within Fraser Youens House. Boarding Tutors in addition to the Housemasters and Housemistress are teachers at RGS who, in the main, are resident on site but not within Fraser Youens House. They have different subject specialisms and this helps support the boarders both academically and pastorally.

Lee Rowe-Elliott

Lee joined the RGS in September 2018 as a teacher in the Biology department. He is now Subject Leader for Biology. His main background is Human Physiology and Sport Performance after studying Sport and Exercise Science with a year abroad (Minnesota, US) at the University of Hertfordshire. Sport is one of his main passions competing at a high level in high jump and being involved in England U18 and U21 development squads for Hockey as a goalkeeper. Lee grew up in the local area and went to the rival school John Hampden Grammar. Lee's hobbies include playing the bass guitar, playing niche board games and building, crashing & repairing FPV racing drones when he can!



Sarah Scourfield

Sarah lives in Fraser Youens House along with Jon and their two daughters and Mardo, a cockapoo. She studied International Politics and Strategic Studies at Aberystwyth University and a few years later completed her PGCE at Oxford Brookes. Sarah has travelled around the world, is an enthusiastic runner, has fulfilled a childhood aspiration of running the London Marathon and more recently enjoys the challenge of running local 10k trail races which involve lots of hills. Sarah has worked in the corporate events and conference industry and spent a decade teaching primary school children. Sarah's top priority in boarding is to create a warm and friendly environment for the boarders while they are studying and living away from home. As well as being a Tutor, Sarah works alongside Emma as a Boarding Co-ordinator.



Alex Welirang

Alex joined the RGS in 2024 as a teacher of History and Politics, bringing a wealth of academic diversity to the department. Originally from Indonesia, Alex arrived in 2014 to study Law at City University of London, and obtained a Master's in History at Queen Mary University. He completed his PGCE at the University of Reading and undertook teacher training at Kendrick School where he gained valuable experience in a high performing grammar school. Beyond the classroom, he is an active member of the RGS Combined Cadet Force Contingent and takes pride in his role as an approachable mentor within the boarding house. He is always available for a chat about settling into new environments or discussing the day's headlines over a cup of tea. A word of caution, however: Alex is a connoisseur of spicy cuisine. If he tells you a dish is not hot, it is highly recommended that you seek a second opinion!



Olivia Caesar

Olivia joined RGS in 2020 as a Graduate Athletic Development coach and has since completed her teacher training and is now Subject leader for PE. A local girl, Olivia attended Beaconsfield High School and went on to complete her undergraduate degree at the University of Bath in Sport and Exercise Science, with a placement year at Silverstone. After graduating, Olivia continued her studies, obtaining a Masters in Sport and Exercise Psychology and a Research Masters in Sport, Health and Applied Science. A keen runner, Olivia has represented England in 400m and 4x400m and won BUCS titles whilst at University. Since joining RGS, Olivia has taken up rugby and is now part of the local women's team as well as the staff touch rugby team. In her spare time, Olivia also enjoys outdoor activities, reading and socialising with friends and family.



Sam Connor

Despite being born in Buckinghamshire, Sam spent most of his school life in Northampton before moving up to Leeds in 2019 to complete a degree in Sport Business Management at Leeds Beckett University. After three enjoyable years in Leeds, Sam landed a graduate role at a large boarding school in the West Midlands which gave him the first taste of the teaching profession. Sam's next move would be abroad, to New Zealand, where he lived for just over six months and was fortunate enough to secure a position as a rugby coach and boarding supervisor at one of the most prestigious schools in Wellington, while also playing for a rugby club in the Premier Men's Division. Following a hugely rewarding time in New Zealand, Sam returned to Leeds in 2024 to commence a PGCE in Physical Education. Alongside his studies, Sam played semi-professional rugby and coached across the Academy teams at the university. Sam hopes to pass on the learnings and insight gained from his experiences in sport to the students at RGS and hopefully help them along their journeys. Outside of work, Sam enjoys socialising with friends, surfing and listening to music.



Alan Miscampbell

Alan joined RGS in 2025 as a Mathematics Teacher, having previously taught both Maths and Physics at other schools, originally as an in-house tutor before completing a PGCE. Growing up in North Bucks, Alan attended the Royal Latin School in Buckingham before obtaining a first class degree in Physics at the University of Oxford. After completing his undergraduate studies, he entered scientific research, specialising in lasers and the atomic physics of plasmas. During this period, he spent time in universities and research facilities across the world, including the École Polytechnique in Paris and the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory in Stanford, California. Outside of academic life, Alan is a keen badminton player, having started playing regularly at the age of 12, and is now quite adept despite 'having no natural talent'. As such, he is a firm believer that anyone can learn new and difficult skills with enough effort and determination. His other hobbies include salsa dancing, and solving puzzles.



Mary Harding

Mary joins RGS in 2026 as a Geography teacher and is excited to become part of the Fraser Youens boarding community. Having boarded throughout her secondary school years, Mary understands the opportunities and challenges that come with boarding life and the importance of creating a welcoming environment where pupils can feel at home, build friendships and thrive. She is looking forward to getting to know the boarders and becoming involved in the many activities that make boarding life so rewarding.

Mary studied Geography and Anthropology at Oxford Brookes University, graduating in 2020, before completing her PGCE in Geography at the University of Oxford in 2023. Her studies sparked a fascination with different places, cultures and landscapes, which she enjoys exploring both inside and outside the classroom. She is particularly excited to get involved in trips and opportunities that allow pupils to experience geography beyond the curriculum.

Outside of school, Mary enjoys experiencing new places through the activities she loves, whether that's running along the Australian coastline, exploring the savanna on horseback in South Africa and Botswana, marvelling at Iceland's dramatic geography or volunteering in Tanzania. She also plays and coaches hockey with Oxford Hockey Club, is currently training for the Oxford Half Marathon, and is a keen rugby supporter, following both Exeter Chiefs and England.





Zain Khan

I'm currently studying Chemistry, Physics, Maths and Further Maths at A-Level, with hopes of going on to study Mechanical or Electrical Engineering at university. I've been boarding since Year 7, and have enjoyed all the time I have spent here. Over the years, boarding has become a second home to me, it is a place where I've built lasting friendships and grown in confidence, I always felt part of something bigger than myself. The community here has a way of bringing people together, and when you're settling in for the first time, I hope you'll feel that same sense of belonging from day one as me.

Outside of academics, I've tried many of the opportunities the school has to offer. I tried fencing back in year 8 for the first time and I'm now a Fencing Captain and compete at a national level. I also work on the school's Greenpower electric racing car, which lets me combine my passion for engineering with hands-on practical work. Beyond that, you'll usually find me in the gym, or at the pool or table tennis table in the common room. As a Senior Prefect, my door is always open. Whether you have questions, need advice, or just want a familiar face don't hesitate to come and find me.



Thomas Wharfe

Since joining Fraser Youens in September 2024, the Boarding House and Community have welcomed me as if I had joined in year 7. I have found new friends, pursued my academic studies and developed new skills. In the future, I aim to study law at university and am currently studying 3 A levels: Ancient History, Politics and English literature. In my own time, I enjoy playing football, going to the gym and going on runs. Since joining the RGS and Fraser Youens boarding house, I have been given the confidence to become a leader in several societies around the school. As Head of Boarding, and member of the boarding community, I'm always around to answer any questions, make everyone feel welcomed and support everyone in boarding any way I can, especially because I understand it can be daunting joining a new school and boarding house.



George Norton

I joined Fraser Youens in September 2025. After getting past the slightly awkward stage of meeting new people, Fraser Youens truly became a home from home. Between immersing in the rugby programme and having an active role in the schools Medics Society, boarding has played a vital role in supporting me develop new skills. Currently I study four A-levels: Biology, Chemistry, Maths and Further Maths and hope to study medicine in the future. I'm always ready to help other students in these areas so if you are finding a topic difficult please let me know. I hope I can make everyone feel as welcome as I did when first joined.



Senior Prefects

Thomas Schofield

Since joining Fraser Youens in year 7 I have grown immensely, whether that was learning about myself and my own values or the experiences shared with others inside the boarding community. For A Level I study: Maths, Economics and Geography along with an EPQ on renewable energy and sustainability. In the future I want to pursue a degree apprenticeship in Economic Data Analysis or study Economics at university. In my own time, I enjoy playing rugby for school and Bath, golf recreationally and dabble in some running. At RGS I have been given the confidence to become the best version of myself and believe that I have thrived and developed under the nurturing environment here. My aim would be to leave a wholly positive impact on the younger boarders who were in the same situation as me.



Domestic Team

For most of our younger boarders, many of this team will be 'unseen', in that the dorms and common rooms are cleaned whilst the boarders are in lessons. None the less, these staff are vital to ensuring we maintain the very highest standards, so that Fraser Youens House is a great place to live in. If you are wondering who magically cleans your dorm, or helps to tidy your personal area, these are the people:

Melanie Wheeler is responsible for the laundry and works hard to get through the daily mountain of dirty washing from 70 boarders, trying to reunite all the socks, pants and shirts with their rightful owners! She is also the person to see if you can't find your tie, PE shorts, lab coat or your school blazer. Melanie has three grown up children of her own and four grandchildren.



Jeanette Robinson is the newest member of the team, joining in September 2026. Jeanette was a carer before joining RGS and has two boys.

Karen Standen has been a member of the team since 2010 and assists in the laundry room. She has two children of her own and four grandchildren. Her hobbies include horse riding and gardening.



Marion Greenlee joined the boarding domestic team in 1999. She is married to Rick and has one child and four grandchildren. Marion enjoys listening to music especially Reggae!



Jackie White previously worked as a carer before joining the team in 2023. She has one son and interests include football and foreign holidays.



Support Staff

Emma Boyle Boarding Co-ordinator Emma pursued her degree in Information and Media Studies at Brighton University. After obtaining her qualification in 2002, she spent a year traveling across Asia and Australia, acquiring various new skills and exploring diverse locations. Upon her return, Emma took on the role of HR Assistant at Norland Managed Services and relocated to London. Following a promotion within her department, she transitioned to a more senior position at Jack Morton Worldwide, an events company. During this time, she returned to university to earn a Master's degree in People Management and obtain her CIPD qualification. After becoming qualified in human resources, Emma advanced to the position of Director of Human Resources at Specific Media, an online advertising agency, eventually leaving as the Vice President of the organisation. Emma is a mother of three, has a strong passion for travel, and enjoys musicals.



Gina Barry Matron Gina qualified as a paediatric nurse in 2003 and spent the following three years working on a children's ward. In 2007 she completed a degree in Community Health Care Nursing and has since worked for Bucks Healthcare NHS Trust. Her role as a Specialist Community Public Health Nurse enabled her to support children and young people in schools in the High Wycombe area. Gina passionately believes in the importance of treating the whole person and will look at the physical, mental and emotional health needs of everyone in her care. Gina is married to Kieran, a Chartered Surveyor, and has four children - two boys and two girls. In her spare time Gina enjoys baking and swimming. She brings a wealth of experience to the Boarding House and is a friendly face if you are feeling unwell.



James Young Independent Person James is currently Head of Chemistry at Wycombe Abbey. He has worked in the boarding sector for over a decade and was a Senior Boarding Tutor at RGS. His experience and knowledge of boarding equips him with the skills to help anyone living in boarding who may have any issues. Mr Young will be visiting Fraser Youens termly.



Bernard Treguer

Executive Head Chef Bernard Treguer also known as Bernie to many, is not from 'Up North' as some might imagine, but originates from Brittany, France.

Bernie came to the UK in 1991 and since then has worked in restaurants, and for investment banks within corporate dining. More recently he worked in a variety of schools across the South of England.

Bernie began working with Chapter One in 2023 where he enjoyed working with a talented team. Bernie comes from a family of 10 children, with whom he shares a love of sports, arts and music. Bernie is married and has two wonderful children.





IF YOU WANT TO TALK TO SOMEONE

We would like to help you whether your problem is in or out of School or the Boarding house. What if you just want to talk to someone? Remember, you probably have friends who may be able to help you or an older boy to whom you feel you can turn to. The Director of Boarding, the Housemasters, House Tutors or other members of staff always want to help.

Turn to anyone you feel you can talk to comfortably.

There may be times when you feel you cannot talk to a member of staff – this is perfectly alright. Talk, telephone or write to any of the following people:

There are specific members of school staff responsible for Safeguarding:

1. Priory Doctor's Surgery

(High Wycombe)
01494 448132

2. Child Line 0800 1111

3. The Samaritans 116 123

4. Cruse Bereavement Line
0808 808 1677

5. Mr James Young
(Independent Person)
07749 854 918

6. Children's Commissioner
Help at Hand 0800 528 0731

7. LADO (Child Protection)
01296 382 070

8. CEOP: Child Exploitation and Online Protection command
ceop.police.uk

9. SHOUT
85258 text support service

- DSL David Durning
Assistant Head

- ADSL Jon Scourfield
Director of Boarding

- ADSL Sam Clark
Pastoral Housemaster

- ADSL Gina Barry Matron

- ADSL Stephanie Herath
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