

24 November 2025

Dear Year 13 Students and Parents/Carers,

Year 13 Degree and Higher Apprenticeships Mock Interview Session

I hope you are all well.

We will be holding a Degree and Higher Apprenticeships Mock Interview Session for Year 13 students. This event will simulate real-life assessment centre scenarios, providing students with a valuable opportunity to practise apprenticeships interviews to help them succeed in their upcoming selection processes.

The mock interview event will be held on **Wednesday 10th December from 13:00 to 15:30** in the Upper Library and will be supported by an expert external guest speaker.

The first step is for students to sign up for the event by accepting the Calendar Invitation emailed to them already. If they have not received this, please can the students email Mrs Thakrar on swt@rgshw.com to be added to the list?

The second step is to complete Parentpay:

EVENT PAYMENT

Within the terms of the School's policy on charging, I am writing to ask for your agreement for your child to take part in the event and to ask for a voluntary contribution of **£15** for it so that we can cover the cost of the external advisor. No student will be prevented from taking part in the event on the grounds that parents cannot or will not make such a contribution, but if insufficient funding is available, the event may be cancelled. We would not like any student to be prevented from taking part for purely financial reasons. If your child qualifies for Pupil Premium and you would like to request support, please contact Mr Grant Sheehan (gds@rgshw.com).

Students should ensure they eat their lunch at break and bring their laptop and water bottle to the session, along with a notepad/pen.

Payment should be submitted by Monday **1st December** so plans and arrangements can be made according to participants.

We strongly encourage all students considering degree or higher apprenticeships to participate in this opportunity.

Students planning on following the traditional UCAS route do not need to participate as this event does not reflect UCAS interviews. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to helping our students in this important step toward their future careers.

Kind regards,

Mrs Sweta Thakrar
Director of Careers

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