

Dear Parents/Carers

Subject: Invitation to Careers Education Coffee Morning for Parents of SEND Students

I hope you are well. At RGS, we are dedicated to supporting all of our students, including those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), in preparing for life beyond school. We understand that navigating the world of careers can be particularly challenging for SEND students and we want to ensure that they have access to the right support and guidance from an early stage.

With this in mind, we would like to invite you to a **SEND Careers Coffee Morning** that will focus on exploring and preparing for future career opportunities.

Date: Tuesday 30th September; **Time:** 08:40 to 09:40; **Location:** RGS Upper Library (please sign in at Reception)

During this session you will have an opportunity to meet Mrs Thakrar, the RGS Director of Careers, Mrs Lewis, our external Careers Advisor and Mrs Taylor (whom most of you have met) and we will discuss:

- How early career exploration can assist your child in identifying his strengths, interests and possible future pathways.
- General advice on employability skills and how we can provide personalised guidance where needed.
- The importance of gaining practical experience, whether through work placements or other suitable programmes.
- How we can work together to help build your child's confidence as they prepare for their future steps, whatever path they choose to pursue.

We believe that starting the career exploration process early is essential to helping SEND students develop the skills and confidence they need to thrive in today's world. Our aim is to provide both students and parents with the tools, knowledge and resources to make informed decisions and plan for the future.

Your involvement is crucial in this journey, and we look forward to working with you to support your child in this important phase of their education. Please RSVP [here](#) by **Monday 22nd September** if you are looking to attend, so we have an idea of numbers. Please plan to arrive by 8:30am on the 30th September, report to Reception and you will be escorted to the Upper Library.

We hope you can join us for this valuable session, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sweta Thakrar

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