



Sixth Form at the RGS

A wide range of choice...

The subjects you can study from September 2022 include...

Ancient History

Biology

Chemistry

Design and Technology

English Literature

Geography

History

Mathematics

Music

Politics

Religious Studies

Sport (BTEC)

Art and Design

Business Studies

Computer Science

Economics

French

German

Latin

Further Mathematics

Physics

Psychology

Spanish



An ambitious programme of study...

All Sixth Form students start Year 12 with four subjects.
About a third take all four into Year 13.



Why study four A levels?

- Breadth of study and academic enrichment
- The A level experience is very different to that of GCSE.
Many students end up taking their '4th' A level to completion and drop 1st/2nd/3rd choice instead.

Our Additional Curriculum also gives you the opportunity to take a fifth subject, such as the EPQ, Critical Thinking, CCF, SLST, GCSE Italian, ab initio Chinese or Japanese.

A diverse enrichment programme outside the classroom...

- The Academic Forum
- Oxbridge and university interviews
- The Wycombe Management Conference
- Subject symposiums
- Sixth Form Lecture Series
- Study skills seminars
- UCAS HE exhibition visit
- UCAS HE day
- Careers talks and discussions
- Leadership and Communication Skills Course



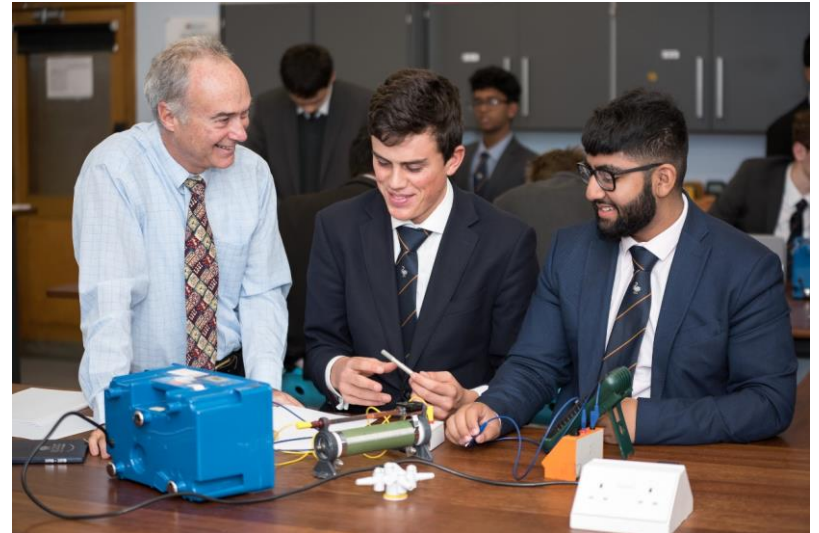
Outstanding teaching, proven results...

One of the highest-performing grammar schools in the country



Key performance figures:

- RGS students achieved an average of 80 % A*-B grades over the past five years
- 50 % of all grades were A* or A in 2019 (the last public exam year)
- More than a quarter of our Year 13s gained all A*/A grades in 2019



A passport to your future...

The vast majority of our Year 13s go on to their first-choice destinations – whether that's university (UK & abroad), higher/degree-level apprenticeship, Art Foundation course or employment.



In 2021:

- 15 Year 13s gained places at Oxbridge
- 92% of leavers went on to attend high-tariff universities
- 27 Medicine/Dentistry/Vet

Top 10 destinations for Leavers:

Birmingham	Imperial
Cambridge	King's
Cardiff	Nottingham
Durham	Southampton
Exeter	Warwick

We are interested in developing you as an individual...

We aren't just about academic success.

At RGS we offer a breadth of opportunity that is highly competitive within the state sector: 60+ co-curricular clubs and activities, including Debating, Public Speaking, the Combined Cadet Force, Medical Society, World Challenge, Young Enterprise, Dof E, and a wide range of academic, musical and sports clubs.



The RGS 360 Award...



- Spans three terms in the Sixth Form from October in Year 12 to July in Year 12
- Five pillars: Co-curricular, Volunteering, Work Experience, Leadership (inside/outside school), Independent Research
- Evidence of sustained involvement or completion in all areas
- Celebration of the Award in a formal ceremony once completed.

Our Sixth Form students are leaders...

Sixth Formers take on greater leadership responsibility and a prominent role in the running of the school:

- Prefect
- Subject Ambassador
- House Captain
- Precinct Monitor
- Mentor
- Club/society leader
- Sport leader
- Leadership and Communications Skills course to develop presentation skills



Collaboration with top local girls' schools...

RGS has forged strong academic, co-curricular and social links with Wycombe Abbey and Wycombe High School.



A gateway to success...

Our alumni have achieved success in every field. Some of our notable Old Wycombiensians include:

- Miles Nurnberger, Chief Designer, Aston Martin
- Ian Dury, Singer and Songwriter
- Christopher Grayling, Secretary of State for Transport
- Matt Dawson, England Rugby International
- Jimmy Carr, Comedian and Television Presenter
- Fergus Walsh, BBC Medical Editor
- Luke Donald, Professional Golfer and Former World No.1
- Christian Wade, Wasps and England rugby international
- Ben Harris, Olympic Rugby 7s squad member Tokyo 2020
- Sir Roger Scruton, Philosopher and Writer



Sixth Form Options

Choosing your A Levels



RGS ESTD
1562
HIGH WYCOMBE

SCHOLA REGIA GRAMMATICA

RGS Entry Criteria



- At least 8 full taught GCSEs Grade 9 - 4
 - Minimum 49 points from best 8 (= 7x6, 1x7)
 - Minimum 52 to make first choices more likely
- English and Maths at minimum Grade 5
- Specific entry requirements for all subjects. See booklet for further details
- NB: Some degrees require specific GCSE grades in some subjects – check courses on UCAS
- All students must qualify for and take 4 subjects in Y12

How to choose



- Have I looked closely at course content? Do I think I will enjoy it? Do I think I will be good at it? Am I really interested in it?
- Am I prepared for the jump from GCSE to A level?
- Do I need a specific subject or type of subject for a university course or career I'm interested in? Have I checked course entry requirements? Will I attain them in this subject?

How not to choose

- I'm doing it because my friend is
- I like it but I'm not choosing it because my friend doesn't like it
- I really like my current teacher
- My parent told me to do it but I don't really like it
- I can't be bothered to think about the future

Points to consider

- Science + Arts/Humanities – a good mix
- Physics + Maths – rare to take Physics without Maths
- 4 x essay writing subjects – a heavy (but not impossible) load
- 4 x CW/project subjects - a heavy (but not impossible) load
- At least 2 subjects studied at GCSE
- 5th subject Column E
- Co-curricular

Additional Subject Choice Column Enrichment



- Details in booklet
 - EPQ (60 pts best 8 GCSEs)
 - Critical Thinking (60 pts best 8 GCSEs)
 - Italian, Japanese, Chinese
 - CCF
 - Stage Lighting and Sound Team
 - Private Study

However ...



- Choice constraints
 - Columns
 - Specialist teaching rooms
 - Specialist teachers
 - Set size

Y12 into Y13



- 3 A Levels – ideally DDD minimum to ensure maximum post school choice
- To continue with 4 A Levels – AABB minimum in end of Year 12 exams
- End of Year 12 exams and work throughout Y12 = UCAS predictions

Boarding



- Places available in Year 12 to both external and internal students
- An ideal stepping stone to university life
- Results achieved by Year 13 boarders 10-15 % above school average at A*-B
- Contact boarding@rgshw.com

General



- **09:00 Monday 29 November** - Deadline for submission of choices online
- **Monday 27 June 2022** – Final GCSE/L2 exam
- **28/29 June 2022** – Exam Board contingency days
- **Thursday 30 June 2022** - Sixth Form Taster Day, followed by online A level prep programme
- **Thursday 25 August 2022** – GCSE Results Day
- **3.00pm, Thursday 25 August 2022** – Deadline to confirm RGS A Level choices