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Termly Bulletin from the RHS Alumni and Development Office Summer 2019



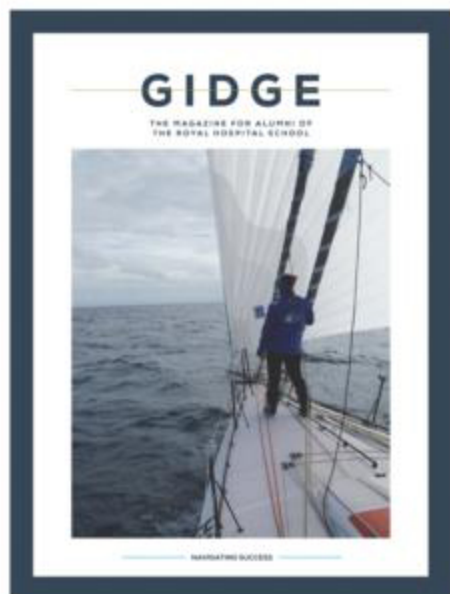
SUCCESSFUL NETWORKING PROGRAMME

The introduction of the new Professional Networking Programme has been a huge success with over 300 alumni and pupils attending five events. The London events were at Killik & Co, WeWork & Duff & Phelps. The Edinburgh event took place in the aptly named Nelson Room at the University of Edinburgh, and in Portsmouth we met at the Royal Naval and Royal Albert Yacht Club. A huge thank you to hosts Tom Anderson (Collingwood 1998), Tom Woolf (Hawke 1997), David White (Collingwood 1999) and Andrew Polson (Cornwallis 1966).

The purpose of each evening is for RHS alumni whether in further education, starting out in the world of work, or with established careers, to come together to share their work experiences, offer guidance, and network within the RHS Community.

Industry Ambassador Tom Pratt (St Vincent 1998) writes "The networking events have proved to be a fantastic opportunity in a relaxed setting to engage with such a great variety of RHS folks. Be it the current students looking to understand more about a variety of industries, or the newly graduated alumni who are now trying to understand a pathway to a new career. Being able to give back and support these guys has been an incredible experience, expanding our community. It's wonderful to see the sheer breadth of talent that the School produces and I'm honoured to be a part of that now and for the future"

If you would like to be part of the 2019/20 programme by hosting an event, please contact [Lucy Pembroke](#).



ALUMNI MAGAZINE COMING SOON!

Back in March we asked for feedback on our alumni programme and events, and invited your additional suggestions. An overwhelming 500 people responded and 64% of you asked for a paper version of the e-Gidge.

So... we have been hard at work and are delighted to announce that the first edition will be ready at the end of the summer. To give you a taste, we have interviews with three-times World Champion and four-times Paralympian Hannah Stodel (Howe 2003) and Andrew Shepherd (Howe & Anson 1997), co-founder and CEO of Mid Group who is currently building the largest school in Europe. We catch up with Annie Murrison (Blake & Hood 2011) 8 years on from RHS. Freya Richmond (Howe 2012) talks about her role as Head of Print for designer Richard Quinn. Other articles include Monty's Memories, Behind The Scenes, Looking Back and much, much more.

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ALUMNI AND COMMUNITY EVENTS



RHS COMMUNITY FETE

9 June 13:00 - 16:00

A fantastic day awaits, with food stalls, live music, pet photography, archery, mini dog show and more besides.

[More Info](#)



REUNION WEEKEND

22 & 23 June

A busy weekend which includes a Sunset Ceremony, and a formal dinner or barbecue. Sunday is Leavers' Songs of Praise and Sports Day.

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REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND

9 & 10 November

Following last year's record attendance, we are looking forward to a busy weekend which will include rugby, hockey, and a curry evening. Divisions and Service of Remembrance will take place on Sunday.

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TWICKERS

A record number of alumni enjoyed a day at Twickenham watching the 101st Army vs Navy match.

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MICROSOFT APPRENTICESHIP

Abigail Sweeney (Howe, 2014) recently visited Year 13 pupils in Nelson to talk about her apprenticeship journey with Microsoft.

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THE CONTINUING TRAVELS OF MONTY

Our very own Monty Callow recently bumped into Robin Bradshaw (Collingwood, 1990) in Hong Kong.

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CORNWALLIS REUNION

Nearly 50 Cornwallis 'Old Boys' returned to RHS in June to wish their former Housemaster, Ned Long, a happy 88th birthday.

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DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

In May, three alumni received their Duke of Edinburgh's Gold award from the Earl and Countess of Wessex in the Buckingham Palace garden.

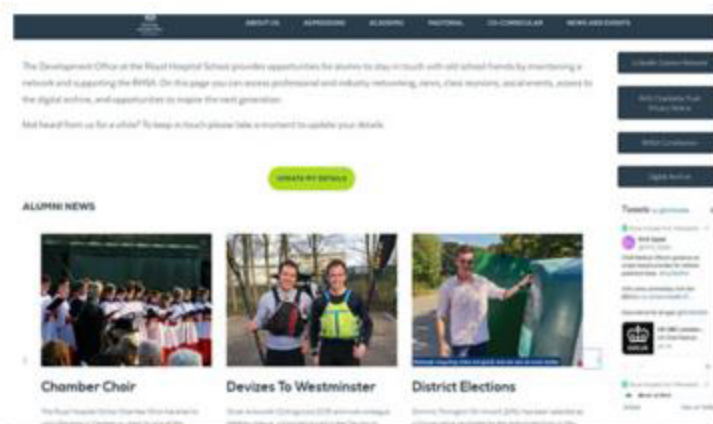
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PEOPLE LIKE US DO THINGS LIKE THIS..

Former Head of School Kat Sladden (Hood, 2002) returned to RHS to inspire the next generation at a Fireside Chat hosted at Holbrook House.

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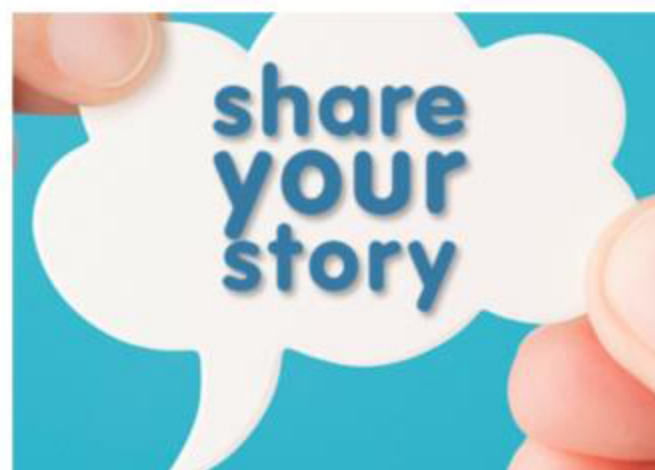
ALUMNI WEBSITE



You can catch the latest news stories or book for events on our website: www.royalhospitalschool.org/alumni.

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GOT SOME NEWS?



We'd love to hear from you whether you are celebrating your success and achievements, whether you are starting a new business or championing the good causes you are supporting. Don't forget to include a photograph!

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SCHOOL NEWS



DUET PHILHARMONIC EXPERIENCE

Every two years, the Duet Group (the provider of the School's pianos) offers lucky musicians the opportunity to perform a concert at the stunning Royal Festival Hall.

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EDTECH 50 SCHOOLS AWARD

The School has been recognised for its focused approach to the use of technology in teaching and learning.

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FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION

On Sunday 12 May, over 300 pupils, staff, parents and alumni celebrated Founders' Day.

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THE IMPACT OF A BURSARY

Julia Mellors says, "Both Joshua and Nathan had an amazing time at RHS, fully embracing everything the School had to offer them. Their life trajectories are now offering them a future which is brighter and richer than I could ever have hoped for. The School has without doubt enabled them to navigate their successes. To all potential donors I would like to highlight how life-changing a bursary can be..."

Please consider becoming a regular donor and together we can offer more children from low-income families access to RHS' unforgettable all-round education.

By pledging as little as £5 a month you can make a difference through the Centennial Fund, which aims to transform an additional 100 lives by our Holbrook Centenary in 2033.

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RHS CAREERS NETWORK

With over 1,800 members, this group provides an excellent platform to connect alumni of all ages on a professional basis, and gives people the opportunity to give a 'helping hand' to members of our School community. By providing professional contacts, mentoring, placements, internships and apprenticeships.

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