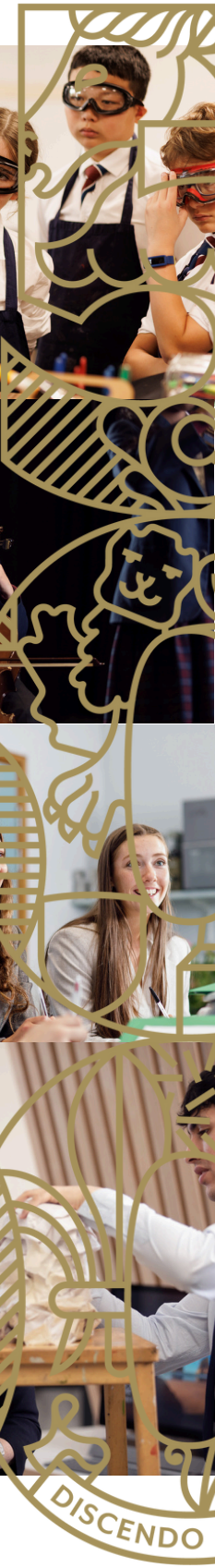


HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



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WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED



RGS Gives is our campaign to encourage the entire RGS community to give back to our homeland of Newcastle and broader North East. We believe in the infinite potential of our region, but need our community to galvanise behind our work to deliver social impact. There are ways for anyone and everyone to give back and make a difference.



Donate Your Time

Offer your time by attending careers fairs, networking events, or speaking at student societies. Volunteering at RGS events or sharing our social media content, connecting us with school partners or bursary candidates also helps amplify our mission.



Give a Raffle or Auction Prize

Contribute high-quality raffle prizes or auction items to help raise vital funds.



Donate Pre-Loved Uniform

Our Threadaware scheme enables families to donate and purchase second-hand uniforms, reducing waste and funding a bursary each year.



Buy Event Tickets

Support our fundraising events by attending and encouraging others to join.

Scan here to pledge your support



WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED



Make a Donation

Every financial gift, big or small, makes an immediate impact. You can also direct your donation to a specific fund or enjoy donor recognition opportunities.



Set Up a Regular Gift

Regular contributions add up over time, funding four bursaries annually through standing orders.



Donate a Deposit

Donate your child's deposit when they leave RGS to benefit future students.



Sponsorship

Sponsor any of the activities in these pages, or introduce us to potential corporate supporters.



Give in Memoriam

Honour a loved one's memory with a meaningful gift, recognised in thoughtful ways.



Pledge a Legacy Gift

Celebrate the impact of your RGS education by leaving a legacy gift, transforming lives for generations to come.

Join RGS Gives and be part of creating meaningful change in Newcastle and the North East. Every contribution matters.

Together we can make a difference.

THE IMPACT YOU CAN MAKE



We gratefully receive financial donations of any size, which we will put to immediate good use through the RGS Educational Trust. You are able to allow us to direct your donation to the greatest need, or choose one of our funds. Here are some examples of what your support could achieve:



Bursaries Hardship Fund

Our hardship fund supports bursary families experiencing severe financial difficulty with non-fee costs, such as uniform, school trips and lunches.

- ↗ £22 would fund a musically talented bursary student, a lesson with one of our specialist visiting music teachers.
- ↗ £49.50 per month would give a bursary child free school lunches, for a year.
- ↗ £60 could fund an RGS raincoat for a bursary child to travel to school.
- ↗ £95 will buy an aspiring cricketer a set of cricket whites.
- ↗ £98 would fund a bursary child's new blazer when they join RGS.
- ↗ £200 would pay for a bursary child on an overnight school trip with their peers.
- ↗ £420 will support a bursary historian to attend the annual RGS battlefields tour.

RGS Bursaries Fund

1 in 15 students attend RGS on a (strictly means-tested) bursary. We welcome donations of all sizes to help change the trajectory of a child's life.

- ↗ £847 a month would fund a Junior School bursary place for a year.
- ↗ £1,006 a month would fund a Senior School bursary place for a year.
- ↗ £10,133 would fund a Junior School bursary place for a year.
- ↗ £12,029 would fund a Senior School bursary place for a year.
- ↗ £24,539 would fund a Sixth Form bursary student through their A-Levels.
- ↗ £95,009 would fund an 11 year old bursary child through all 7 years of their education.
- ↗ £600,000 would create a permanent endowment, from which we could fund one bursary each year in perpetuity.

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RGS Partnerships Fund









10,000 (and counting) students in local schools benefit from our partnerships projects, which deliver academic stretch and challenge.

-  £200 covers return transport for one school to an event hosted at RGS, from Swimming Sessions to Coding Clubs.
-  £300 would fund one Bright Sparks maths event: mornings of maths that take children beyond the confines of the regular syllabus.
-  £3,000 would fund a set of Sphero Robots and a charging pack, to inspire and motivate primary school children in STEM.
-  £60-£70,000 would fund a new specialist Partnerships Teacher for a year.



RGS Capital Fund

We are constantly looking to develop our school facilities to maintain our standard of excellence. There are various opportunities to support the fabric of our school, enhancing opportunities for students.

-  £2,000 would fund portable bleacher seating for use in our sports hall and main pitch.
-  £3,000 would fund a new electronic scoreboard for our home fixtures.
-  £10,000 would refurbish one of the original classrooms (we have 11 to update).
-  £12,000 would fund new hockey dugouts
-  £12,000 would fund a new sound system for the Main Hall.
-  £15,000 would fund a new AV system for the Main Hall.
-  £70,000 would fund a much needed upgrade to our heating system.
-  £250,000 would support the (sadly necessary) replacement of our hockey pitch.



DONOR RECOGNITION

We love to celebrate our donors, and the impact they have and many choose to be featured in our various places of recognition, though of course we also fully respect the wishes of anyone who prefers to remain anonymous.

All of these donors are eligible to appear on our beautiful new donor bookcase, kindly handcrafted and installed as a gift by Newcastle-based bespoke furniture company NOOK:



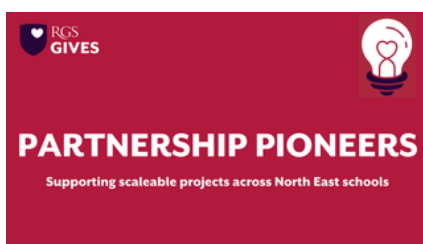
500 Club members give £500 (in a single gift or cumulatively) during 2024-2026, our 500th anniversary celebration window. Donations can be directed towards any of our funds.



Quincentenary Club members give £1,525 during 2024-2026, in celebration of 500 years since Thomas Horsley's Will in 1525. Donations can be directed towards any of our funds.



Bursary Benefactors are donors who fund £10,000 or more towards transformational bursaries, for one or more years. They create **deep**, generational impact for whole families, transforming the trajectory of lives.



Partnership Pioneers fund our **breadth** of RGS Partnership activity for one of more years, creating impact across a wide geographical reach.



DONOR RECOGNITION

All of these donors are invited to appear on an engraved plaque on our external donor wall, viewable from Eskdale Terrace, kindly installed with thanks to the generous support of Strettle Memorials:



STRETTLÉ
FOR A COMPLETE FUNERAL
AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
Estd. 1946



Fellows of the RGS can include individuals, trusts and companies who have given £100,000 or more for RGS Bursaries, RGS Partnerships and RGS Capital Projects, either as a one off gift or cumulatively.



Any legacy or in-memoriam donor can be part of The Horsley Society; gifts above £5,000 will be recognised with an engraved plaque on the exterior of the school.



Sutherland Society members have made the most transformational difference to RGS. Gifts may be directed towards RGS Bursaries (including building or endowment), RGS Partnerships or RGS capital developments.



EVENTS & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



We are delighted to announce the key forthcoming events and sponsorship opportunities, to which members of the RGS Community are warmly invited.

Our Old Novo events programme includes our two flagship annual dinners where fine dining, entertainment and nostalgia are always on the agenda.

Our parent events include opportunities to catch up with old friends and make new ones, whilst celebrating the school's successes and achievements.

All of our social events offer the opportunity to benefit from, and contribute to, the RGS community, to which we are all privileged to belong. As an extra special touch of excitement, we will also start to celebrate our Quincentenary year at our events from Spring 2025.

In addition to the events highlighted inside, there are more events listed, including booking information and sponsorship opportunities, at

www.rgs.newcastle/join-us/sign-up-for-an-event

Alternatively, please scan this QR code to open the page on your device.

See you there!



ECONOMISTS' NETWORKING EVENT

Thursday 6th February 2025

For our annual trip, we are taking a group of RGS Economics A-Level students to London to tour banks and financial institutions, followed by a networking reception at the House of Lords. Kindly hosted by Old Novo Lord Timothy Kirkhope of Harrogate (ON 53-62), the event is a wonderful and much valued opportunity for our students to network with ONs who are/have studied economics, and/or work in the City. It is a night where advice is shared, introductions are made, and occasionally, future careers are forged!

Sponsorship opportunity

Main Sponsor - £1,000

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the bar area/drinks tables



LONDON ONA DINNER

Thursday 13th March 2025



Our next annual London ONA Dinner will be held at the historic One Great George Street, Westminster. Join us for a drinks reception, three course dinner and wine. The dress code is black tie, with a touch of gold!

Sponsorship

Thank you to our sponsors who have enabled our subsidised ticket prices:

Joel Dickinson ON 91-01, Karpel Mills

Jonny Catto ON 96-03, iPac

Richard Millbank ON 73-83



RAFFLE

We always need enticing prizes to encourage people to buy tickets for our raffle and auctions. If you are able to donate a raffle prize we would be extremely grateful. It can be a physical item, a voucher or an experience. Please contact development@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk

Tickets

20 TICKETS LEFT!

Standard ticket - £110

Subsidised ticket - ONs aged 30 & under - £75

Subsidised ticket - ONs aged 25 & under - £50



SOLD OUT

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LAWYER'S NETWORKING EVENT

Friday 28th March 2025

The event will be an opportunity for our alumni who have studied, and/or worked in the legal profession, to network with RGS's current students involved in LawSoc or considering studying and/or working in Law. Our guests' wise counsel will be very much appreciated by current RGS students.

The keynote address will be delivered by Sir Max Hill KC (Old Novo 72-82), recently retired Director of Public Prosecutions. At the event, Sir Max will also announce the winners of the RGS House Debating Competition final, happening earlier that day.



Sponsorship opportunity

Drinks Sponsor - £500

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the bar area/drinks tables

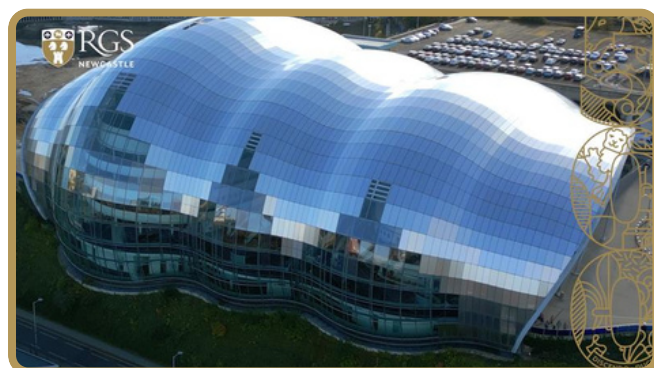


RGS 500 CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Wednesday 19th March 2025



We will officially launch our anniversary celebrations at the RGS 500 Choir and Orchestra Concert held at The Glasshouse International Centre for Music, with over 2,000 attendees. Our 500 performers will lead a stunning rendition of our reimagined school song.



Sponsorship opportunities

Headline sponsor - £5,000

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Pop ups and advertising can be located throughout the event venue
- Full page advertisement in event programme
- Private box for up to 13 guests
- Logo and acknowledgment included in follow up “thanks for attending” communications

Drinks sponsor - £1,525

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Full page advertisement in event programme
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the bar area/drinks tables
- Two complimentary premium tickets



Book sponsorship here

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RGS 500 CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Wednesday 19th March 2025

SPONSORED

Transport sponsor

- Thank you to our transport sponsor, Howard Snaith Coaches



Advertising sponsor

- £500 - full page advertisement in our event programme with an acknowledgment on our social media platforms plus two complimentary golden tickets
- £300 - half page advertisement in our event programme



SOLD OUT

Golden tickets

- Golden Tickets £50 (Premium seats will be at the front of the auditorium or in a box, exact seat numbers will be allocated in February).



SELLING FAST

Standard tickets

- £22.50 (Adult)
- £17.50 (Under 18)



RGS 500 GARDEN PARTY

Saturday 21st June 2025

The annual Garden Party is taking place on the evening of Saturday 21st June 2025 - note that this is a week earlier than usual, and for 2025 we are BACK at RGS, in a fabulous new Marquee!

This is a fabulous, relaxed night of celebration for RGS parents and Old Novos. In particular, we warmly welcome the parents of current Y13 and Y6 students, who are graduating to the next stage in their lives, as well as the parents of all new students joining us in September, who would like to socialise with other parents from their children's year group.

Welcome drinks will be served accompanied by entertainment from our talented RGS Students. This will be followed by dinner then dancing and celebrations into the night, including music from our resident DJ, Mr James Miller.



Reserve your seats now!

Tickets

Standard ticket - £65



RGS 500 GARDEN PARTY

Saturday 21st June 2025

Main Sponsor - £2,500

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Pop ups and advertising can be located throughout the event venue
- Full page advertisement in event programme
- Four complimentary places at the event
- Opportunity to speak at the event
- Logo and acknowledgment included in follow up "thanks for attending" communications

Drinks Sponsor

- Thank you to Tony Healer ON, Castle View Group, for sponsoring the drinks reception.



SPONSORED

Entertainment Sponsor



- Thank you to Broad Chare Partners wealth management and financial planning (part of St James' Place) for sponsoring our entertainment.

SPONSORED

Heads n Tails Sponsor



- Thank you to Mammoth Finance for sponsoring Heads n Tails.

SPONSORED

Advertising sponsor

- £300 - full page advertisement in our event brochure with an acknowledgment on our social media platforms.
- £200 - half page advertisement in our event programme



RAFFLE

We always need enticing prizes to encourage people to buy tickets for our raffle and auctions. If you are able to donate a raffle prize we would be extremely grateful. It can be a physical item, a voucher or an experience. Please contact development@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk



SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

13th - 28th July 2025



Kit sponsorship opportunities

What We Offer Our Sponsors

We believe in building strong partnerships with our sponsors. Depending on your level of support, we offer:

- Your logo prominently displayed on team kits and tour materials.
- Recognition in all tour-related communications, including press releases, newsletters, and social media.
- Opportunities to be featured at our fundraising events and send-off ceremonies.
- A personal thank-you from the students.

Sponsorship opportunities

Rugby Shirt - £3,000

Hockey Shirt - £1,500

Netball Shirt - £1,000

Tour hoodie/fleece - £6,000

Imagine your company logo here!



RGS FESTIVAL

Saturday 28th June 2025



We would love you to join us in a glorious celebration of all that we are and do at this year's RGS Festival, celebrating 'There's More to Life at RGS!'

We want to celebrate the achievements of all, with a range of student showcases and family activities pirouetting around the central marquee and a new set of student awards. No festival would be complete without feasting aplenty and we are lucky to be joined by a number of popular local food vendors. Rain? We'll don a plastic poncho, put up our RGS umbrellas and embrace the Geordie summer. Our Junior School Parent Team will be fully integrating their stalls to offer a vibrant array of fun and games. We would love you to support us and your children by coming along to enjoy the day, actively or sprawled on a deckchair – the choice is yours!

SUMMER EVENTS SUPPORT NEEDED

Donate any of the following:

Raffle prizes:
Show-stopping items
& unique experiences

Tombola Items:
High quality toys (no soft toys)
Books & stationery
Toiletries & gifts
Sweets & chocolate
Bottles (alcoholic & non-alcoholic)

Become a Parent Volunteer:
Help at RGS Festival on the day

NEWCASTLE ONA DINNER

Friday 10th October 2025

Sponsorship opportunities

Join us for a fabulous opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet new acquaintances from the Old Novo

Community and celebrate 500 years of RGS!

Our guest speaker for the evening is Old Novo Sir Max Hill, recently retired Director of Public Prosecutions.

Tickets

Standard ticket - £65.95

Concession - £42.95



*Reserve your
seats now!*

ONA Dinner Main Sponsor - £2,000

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Pop ups and advertising can be located throughout the event venue
- Full page advertisement in event leaflet and reunion booklets circulated to attendees
- Two complimentary places at the Dinner (we cannot provide travel)
- Opportunity to speak at the event
- Logo and acknowledgment included in follow up "thanks for attending" communications

ONA Drinks Sponsor - £1,500

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Half page advertisement in event leaflet / reunion booklets circulated to attendees
- Two complimentary places at the Dinner (we cannot provide travel)
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the bar area/drinks tables

Advertising sponsor

- £200 - full page advertisement in our event brochure with an acknowledgment on our social media platforms.
- £100 - half page advertisement in our event brochure

Raffle/auction sponsor

We always need enticing prizes to encourage people to buy tickets for our raffle and auctions. If you are able to donate a raffle prize we would be extremely grateful. It can be a physical item, a voucher or an experience. Please contact development@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk



RGS FOUNDER'S SERVICE

October 2025

Particularly aimed at the parents and grandparents of our Y7 students, we are delighted to also extend an invitation to our wider community for this special 500th anniversary Founder's Service. This very special event will reflect on the school's history and the indelible impact of ONs on the world.

RGS is Newcastle's oldest institution of learning. Founded during Henry VIII's reign at the site where the Newcastle Cathedral now sits, Queen Elizabeth I later granted the burgesses of the City of Newcastle The Great Charter on 22nd March 1600. Within the Charter was the direction to incorporate a grammar school in the city, entitled to hold land.



Location

Newcastle Cathedral, NE1 1PF

Timing: Doors open at 2pm for a 2.25pm start



PROFIT FOR PURPOSE

November 2025

Profit for Purpose will return in 2025! Our brilliant Year 8 students will pitch their fundraising ideas to a formidable panel of RGS Dragons. Our Dragons will interrogate their plans and award each group with a small investment to bring their ideas to life at our festive Winterwonderland event, attended by over 1,000 members of the RGS Community. The project gives students an unforgettable opportunity to gain real-life commercial experience in a safe setting, whilst raising funds for our favourite causes.



Partner sponsors

- Each student group may pitch for up to £50 of initial investment, so we are seeking sponsorship of £1,650. In 2024, students turned their investments into over £7,000 for our selected charities; an excellent return for their efforts. We are able to offer sponsors branding on all event materials and social media posts.



WINTERWONDERLAND

December 2025



Our festive Winterwonderland event, attended by over 1,000 members of the RGS Community is a one night fundraising extravaganza! Our student led stalls, raffle and auction get everyone involved in giving, whilst kick starting the festive season!



Raffle/auction and tree sponsors

We would deeply appreciate donations of auction lots and raffle prizes for this fundraiser. It can be a physical item, a voucher or an experience.

We also have Christmas Trees available to sponsor, please contact development@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk



RGS SENIOR SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE

December 2025

Come and join us for our Senior School Carol Service which includes Christmas readings, congregational carols and performances from the Intermediate Choir, Senior Choir, Chamber Choir and Symphony Orchestra.

We will be serving hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies on the Church Green after the service.



Sponsorship opportunities

Festive Refreshments

Sponsor - £750

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and TicketSource)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the drinks area



JOHN ELDERS MEMORIAL MATCH

December 2025

This year's match is an extra special affair, marking the 125th anniversary of the Novocastrians' formation.

Everyone is welcome to play or watch at Sutherland Park (Novocastrians RFC), the bar will be open, and all are welcome.

Kick-off is at 1 pm, and the match is open to all levels of players. You can play for as long or as little as you like - it is very much a social game!

Tickets

There are no tickets required

Time: 1pm (kick-off)

Location: Novocastrians RFC, Sutherland Park, Longbenton, NE7 7SZ

Apply to play: Please email Daryl Baker at d.baker@rgs.newcastle.sch.uk

Sponsorship opportunities

Drinks Sponsor - £1,250

- Company logo to feature on event literature and event advertisements (circulated to 7,000 contacts on our database, RGS website and ticket source)
- Acknowledgment on RGS social media platforms
- Logo (and company literature) to feature at the bar area/drinks tables



Our full programme



01 October 2024	Launch of RGS 500 Sponsorship Opportunities	DIGITAL CONTENT
	Launch of 'Share Your Memories' project	DIGITAL CONTENT
	Launch of 'nominate an inspiring Old Novo' initiative	DIGITAL CONTENT
December 2024	ONA Magazine & launch of 500 Club & Quincentenary Club	PUBLICATION
1 December 2024	RGS 500 Choir and Orchestra Concert tickets go on sale	DIGITAL CONTENT
23 January 2025	RGS Philanthropy Dinner (invitation only)	EVENT
6 February 2025	Economics Reception (invitation only), House of Lords	EVENT
13 March 2025	London ONA Dinner at One Great George Street	EVENT
18 March 2025	Launch of RGS 500 webpages	DIGITAL CONTENT
19 March 2025	RGS 500 Choir and Orchestra Concert at The Glasshouse	EVENT
April 2025	ONA Magazine	PUBLICATION
28th March 2025	Lawyers' Reception (invitation only)	EVENT
01 May 2025	RGS 500 Giving Day	EVENT
06 May 2025	RGS 500 - Buildings Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
13 May 2025	RGS 500 - Traditions and School Life Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
20 May 2025	RGS 500 - War Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
27 May 2025	RGS 500 - Royal Heritage Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
03 June 2025	RGS 500 - Academic Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
10 June 2025	RGS 500 - Performing Arts Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
17 June 2025	RGS 500 - Sport Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
21 June 2025	RGS 500 Garden Party	EVENT
24 June 2025	RGS 500 - Co-Curricular (societies and character) Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
27 June 2025	Story of our School book launch	PUBLICATION
28 June 2025	RGS 500 Festival	EVENT
01 July 2025	RGS 500 - People Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
08 July 2025	RGS 500 - Impact on the City Theme Launch	DIGITAL CONTENT
September 2025	Launch of 'inspiring Old Novo' webpages	DIGITAL CONTENT
October 2025	Launch of RGS 500 commemorative ONA Magazine	PUBLICATION
10 October 2025	RGS 500 Newcastle ONA Dinner and Reunions	EVENT
(tbc) October 2025	Back to 1525 day	EVENT
15 October 2025	RGS 500 Founder's Service at Newcastle Cathedral	EVENT
07 November 2025	RGS 500 Remembrance Service	EVENT
17 November 2025	Launch 24/25 commemorative Annual Review	PUBLICATION
December 2025	RGS 500 Art of Hope	EVENT
December 2025	Launch of RGS 500 Christmas video	DIGITAL CONTENT
(tbc) December 2025	RGS 500 Carol Service at St George's Church, Jesmond	EVENT
Spring 2026	Launch of harvested memories	DIGITAL CONTENT
(tbc) March 2026	London ONA Dinner	EVENT
April 2026	ONA Magazine	PUBLICATION
(tbc) May 2026	CLOSE OF CELEBRATIONS Special Choir and Orchestra Concert	EVENT
Autumn 2026	Launch of 25/26 commemorative Annual Review	PUBLICATION

