



ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

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YEAR 11 LEGACY

Before leaving, the Year 11 GCSE Russian Group ‘rescued’ a young oak tree from Rokeby’s staff car park.

They re-planted the sapling in a safe, sunny spot of the school playground with the environmental rationale of ‘we saved you, you will save us’. Their idea was initially inspired by a Russian saying which translates as “*For life to be worthwhile, everyone must plant a tree, build a house and raise a child*”.

The students wanted to leave a legacy before they graduated from school and some of them have promised to return in the next 10-20 years to check on the tree they planted.



WINNER: JACK PETCHEY AWARD

Congratulations to Shafin in 8Y who is the very well deserved winner of July’s Jack Petchey Award. He was nominated by Mr Fox, his maths teacher, in recognition of his outstanding team work.

Shafin volunteered to support other Italian-speaking students in his class who are new to English. Mr Fox said that his contribution has been transformative; the students are now much happier in class, more engaged and better able to access the learning.

Well done Shafin! Your achievement will be celebrated in our next Year 8 assembly.

SENIOR PREFECTS

The deadline for **Senior Prefect applications** has been extended to **Monday, 5th July**. If you are in Years 9 or 10 and believe you have leadership potential, then please submit a letter of application before the deadline.

[Senior Prefect Application Form](#) | [Senior Prefect Information](#)



Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony



Skills Builder PARTNERSHIP

Rokeby is delighted to have been awarded the [Skills Builder](#) Bronze Award.

This award recognises that subject areas across the school are supporting students in developing the transferable skills needed for further education and the workplace. Rokeby is working to ensure that we implement a whole-school and long-term approach to essential skills education.



TOUR DE FRANCE 2021

The Tour de France is in full swing and so is the challenge set by Rokeby's International Committee - the Tour de France Fantasy Cycling League!

Students and staff have selected their 9 man cycling team and are competing against each other to be crowned the overall winner (yellow jersey/**maillot jaune**) or the best climber (polka dot jersey/**maillot à pois rouges**), best sprinter (green jersey/**maillot vert**) or best young rider (white jersey/**maillot blanc**). Bonne chance a tous!



JOYEUX ANNIVERSAIRE

Last week, at the invitation of the British Embassy in Paris, Mr Porter attended a virtual celebration of the Queen's official birthday. Rokeby has been working in partnership with schools in Paris on joint curriculum projects ahead of the 2024 Olympics.

Both the Prince of Wales and Sir David Attenborough were in attendance and in their presentations made very clear points about the importance of the environment and what we can do to save the planet post pandemic.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

To ensure your son has the **correct school uniform** for the start of the Autumn term (on 4th September 2021), please use the following link to purchase uniform from Rokeby's online shop [School Uniform Shop](#)

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Are you others-centred or self-centred?

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Did you know:

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

Congratulations to:

8B & 9R with 99% attendance & 7B with 100% punctuality

Kooth offers online mental health support for young people who are feeling stressed, anxious or low.

Students can also email Rokeby's [well-being team](#).