

RGS Development Fund

July Update

Target: £150,000 Actual to date: £30,351

Dear Parents, Friends, Old Riponians, Governors

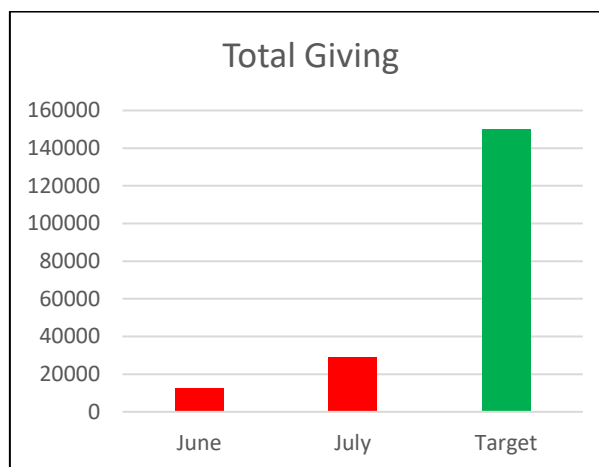
No doubt you will be interested to hear how **our urgent Development Fund Appeal** is going - so here is your monthly update for July.

On 9 June the Chair of Governors and I wrote to all parents, governors and Old Riponians with an ambitious target of raising £150,000 per annum for the school. This was not only to meet the shortfall in voluntary contributions to fund key aspects of our co-curricular programme but also to raise money for essential developments across the school estate - given the fact all our discretionary funding for key estate works has been severely restricted.

A heartfelt thank you from all staff and students at RGS to all those parents and ORs who have generously responded - either by setting up regular monthly giving or through one-off donations.

As a result our appeal is currently at:

Month	Monthly Giving with Gift Aid	One-off donations with Gift Aid	Donors	Total	% of target
June	£1025	-	53	£12,300	8.2
July	£2091	£5256	118	£30,351	20.2
August					



Already the £30,000+ pledged means we can secure many of our sports fixtures next year by providing for sports transport and complete some of the key estate work. But, your donations **could be even more transformative**. We will be *putting together a campaign leaflet* with more details about our ambitious estate projects in the near future but here are just *some of the projects* your money could be put towards [please bear in mind these are estimates on current prices and not listed in order of priority]:

• A new kiln for the art department [very old and inefficient]	£7,000
• Extension of space in the pastoral centre	£10,000
• Development of the outdoor eating area	£10,000
• Movement of departments out of the cellars	£15,000
• Library refurbishment	£20,000
• 2 new classrooms [urgent to move forms out of the science block]	£24,000
• New PE Hub [with space for fitness suite]	£30,000
• Science refurbishment	£30,000
• Toilets refurbishment	£30,000
• New tennis courts [currently unusable]	£70,000
• New netball courts [currently unusable]	£70,000
• New surface for the Astro [4 years left]	£250,000

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Thank you in anticipation for your on-going support for this school and I will be writing again at the start of August with a new update.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J Webb', with a horizontal line underneath.

Jonathan Webb
Headmaster