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Round Square Weekly 12 November 2025

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An Invitation to join a RS Heroes of Discovery Workshop in February 2026

Two introductory one-day workshops for the Round Square Heroes of Discovery are being planned for February 2026 in conjunction with RS Forums in The Americas and in Africa. In both cases, the invitation to participate in the RS Heroes Workshop is extended to schools in all RS Regions.

In both cases, there is no participation fee to pay for the workshop, but you are invited to make, and pay for, your own travel and accommodation arrangements in time to arrive at the host school for a 9am start. The day will finish at 5pm, with an optional evening reception for those staying over (see below for details of venue and accommodation recommendations).

The two options are as follows:

ATLANTA, USA - 5 February 2026 - 9am to 5pm at Holy Innocents' Episcopal School. Participants staying over on the evening of 5 February are welcome to join the welcome reception that evening for the RS Americas Forum. Please REGISTER HERE for the RS Heroes Workshop in Atlanta, and then make your own accommodation arrangements. Rooms have been reserved at Marriott Galleria NW at a rate of USD \$159 per room per night. A direct link to book and pay for your accommodation will be shared with everyone who registers in the next few weeks. Rooms have been reserved at Marriott Galleria NW at a rate of USD \$145 per room per night. Rate includes parking and wifi. Please book and pay for your accommodation using the following link:

• Atlanta Marriott Northwest at Galleria.

WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA - 19 February 2026 - 9am to 5pm at St George's Diocesan School. Participants staying over on the evening of 19th Feb are welcome to join the welcome

have been reserved at three different hotels. Please book and pay for your accommodation at your chosen hotel direct using the following links:

- https://www.hilton.com/en/locations/namibia/windhoek or
- https://www.avanihotels.com/en/windhoek

Round Square Conference Calendar 2026

Dates in 2026	Host School	Location	Age Range	RS IDEALS Focus
27 to 31 January	Rajkumar College, Rajkot	India	10 to 12	Adventure
4 to 9 February	Elaraki School, Marrakech	Morocco	16 to 18	Leadership
8 to 12 February	CheongShim International Academy	South Korea	15 to 18	Service
13 to 16 February	Evangelical Christian School, Memphis	USA	15 to 17	Service
18 to 22 February	Singapore International School, Mumbai	India	12 to 14	Environmentalism
6 to 10 March	The Emerald Heights International School, Indore	India	13 to 15	Adventure
25 to 29 March	St George's Grammar School, Cape Town	South Africa	16 to 18	Adventure
2 to 6 April	KC Public School, Jammu	India	12 to 14	Leadership
7 to 12 April	Ballarat Grammar, Victoria	Australia	14 to 16	Democracy
16 to 21 April	Landheim Ammersee	Germany	13 to 15	Democracy
11 to 17 May	Colegio Bilingüe ANAN	Ecuador	14 to 16	Adventure
18 to 23 May	RGS Surrey Hills	UK	14 to 16	Internationalism
11 to 16 June	Beijing Concord College of Sino-Canada	China	16 to 18	Internationalism
28 June to 2 July	Hilton College	South Africa	14 to 16	Environmentalism
11 to 16 August	Trivandrum International School, Kerala	India	14 to 16	Service
28 Sept to 3 Oct	Barker College, Sydney	Australia	16 to 18	RSIC2026

Another RS Conference added to 2026 Calendar - Hilton College in SA hosting

We are pleased to share details of a further RS Conference just added to the 2026 Round Square Conference Calendar. **Hilton College in South Africa** will host the conference "**Rooted Together: Growing Communities**" from **28 June** to **2 July**, focusing on the theme of Environmentalism.

Please note that Letters of Commitment will be accepted, and places filled, on a first-come, first-served basis, and some conferences may close early once capacity is reached.

At this point in time, Landheim Ammersee and Ballarat Grammar have stopped accepting LoCs as these conferences are now full to capacity, though you can sign up to their waiting list in case additional places become available. In this case, schools on the waiting list will be contacted in the order in which they registered. All other conferences still have places available.

View full details of RS Conferences 2026



Join an Exciting Adventure - Kilimanjaro Expedition 3-21 August 2026

We are delighted to invite applications for 60 students from RS Schools around the world to join a Spirit of Adventure Expedition to climb Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, from **3 to 21 August 2026.**

adults from Round Square schools across the world will trek the 8-day Lemosho route towards the summit of Africa's highest peak.

Along the way, students will mix in interculturally-diverse baraza 'climbing' groups, supported by both professional mountain guides and adult participants.

The expedition fee will be £3,000, which excludes international flights and personal equipment (items can be hired with a maximum cost of c.£200 to hire all the equipment on the kit list)

STUDENTS: To help us gauge likely numbers, please complete the form below if you think would like to offer this opportunity to your students. We will ask students to register directly with Round Square (as with RSIS Projects) when the time comes – this is just to help us in planning. Complete the Form for Students

ADULTS: We will be putting together a support team of up to 8 adults (depending on student numbers), who will mainly focus on pastoral care of students. All adult participants will be asked to pay for their own flights. The Team Leader place will be free of participation fees (must have climbed Kilimanjaro before), two medical support places will pay 50% (working alongside medics — must have Wilderness First Aid qualification and experience) and the remaining adult participants will pay the same fee as the students. <u>Adults, please express interest here</u>.



Pre-Order Round Square Heroes of Discovery Plushies

We are inviting pre-orders for **plush toys of the Round Square Heroes of Discovery**. We need pre-orders for 150 sets before we can go into production. If we reach this target, we will move straight into production. If not, all orders will be cancelled before any payment is taken.

Each set includes 12 Round Square Hero plushies and will be priced at £200 per set, including postage and packing (dolls cannot be sold separately).

If your school uses the RS Heroes, by committing to one or more sets, you'll help make this a reality for everyone and keep costs low through a collective bulk order.

Each set will be:

- Made to British Toy Safety Standards
- Produced ethically and sustainably
- Crafted by a trusted UK manufacturer currently completing the final toy safety tests before production begins.

Past Issues

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A King Constantine Medal Story: Gevorg Vahramyan, Shirakatsy Lyceum International Scientific-Educational Complex



Gevorg Vahramyan, a student at "Shirakatsy Lyceum" International Scientific-Educational Complex in Yerevan, Armenia, has been awarded his school's King Constantine Medal for his leadership, vision, and tenacity in representing his homeland on the global Round Square stage.

Read Gevorg's Story

Tell us about your King Constantine Medal recipient so we can share it with the Round Square community. Fill in a short form by <u>clicking here</u>.



Register for upcoming RS Geography Labs

Round Square Geography Labs connect students across countries to explore a range of key geography topics. The programme invites students to share case studies of international perspectives on different topics commonly explored through geography curricula.

On each date there are two time options: one at 4am GMT and one at 3pm GMT. The programme will run across six consecutive weeks. Each session will be 90 minutes. You can register for one, some or all the sessions.

- 20 Nov 2025: Powering the Planet The Global Energy Puzzle
- 27 Nov 2025: Sustaining Our Future Building Sustainable Cities
- 4 Dec 2025: Population 8 Billion How Age Shapes Our World

Sydney, 5pm in Auckland. But please check for your own location.

We make the time conversion for the 3pm GMT calls to be 7am in Los Angeles, 8am in Calgary and Mexico City, 10am in Bogota and Lima, Toronto and New York, 12pm Santiago, 3pm in London, Belfast and Marrakech, 4pm in Berlin and Stockholm, 6pm in Nairobi. But please check for your own location.

Please register up to 10 students (aged 14+) per school, plus one adult, using the link below.

- You can register students for one or more Labs.
- If you want to bring different students to different Labs, please complete a separate registration for each group.
- You may return at any time to submit more registrations.

Please share with your Geography Department: <u>Download a pdf with the information.</u>

Book RS Geography Labs



Register for upcoming RS English Labs

Round Square English Language Labs are hosted by student teams who lead conversations in English, their native language.

The sessions are run over consecutive weekly one-hour slots. This allows their peers in Round Square schools around the world to practice their language skills in a real-world context.

Participants are grouped by ability—beginner, intermediate, and advanced—ensuring that each session is appropriately tailored in complexity and content for every level.

There are three sessions planned between now and the end of the year. You can register for one, some or all of these sessions, which are as follows:

• 3pm UCT/ GMT: 11 Dec 2025: Stories, Fairy Tales and Cultural Traditions

Please register students aged 14+

We make the time conversion for the 4am GMT call to be 8am in Dubai and Yerevan, 9am in Karachi, 9:30am in Delhi, 11am in Bangkok, 12pm in Hong Kong, 1pm in Tokyo, 3pm in Sydney, 5pm in Auckland. But please check for your own location.

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Please share with your English as an Additional Language Department: <u>Download a pdf</u> with the information.

There will be another series of EAL sessions in February / March 2026 so please look out for these dates, which will be published in the next couple of weeks.

Book RS English Labs

Register for upcoming RS Zoom Postcards



Join a RS Zoom Postcard from Stiftung Louisenlund in Germany on 26 November

Stiftung Louisenlund in Germany invites you to register up to six students aged 13-15 and one adult <u>HERE</u> for a RS Zoom Postcard with the theme "The Struggles of Adolescence".

The 90-minute call will take place on **26 November at 4pm GMT** which we make to be 8am in Los Angeles and Vancouver, 10am in Mexico City, 11am in Bogotá, Miami, Quito, and Nassau, 12pm in Hamilton (Bermuda), 1pm in Buenos Aires, Santiago, and São Paulo, and 4pm in London and Accra. But please check for your own location.

Ahead of the call our hosts ask participants to ponder on the struggles that adolescents currently face in their country and come to the session ready to talk about it in breakout rooms

Please register before 20 November.

<u>Download and share with colleagues.</u>

Register before 20 November



Join RS Zoom Postcard from Holy Trinity College in Argentina on 26 November.

Holy Trinity College invites you to register up to six students aged 16-18 and one adult <u>HERE</u> for a RS Zoom Postcard with the theme "Challenging Ourselves Through Service Projects".

The 60-minute call will take place on **Wednesday 26 November at 9am ART** (GMT -3) which we make to be 12pm in London and Lisbon, 1pm in Madrid and Brussels, 2pm in Johannesburg, 3pm in Nairobi, 4pm in Dubai and Yerevan, 5pm in Karachi, and 5:30pm in Delhi. But please check for your own location.

Ahead of the call our hosts ask participants to create and upload <u>HERE</u> a poster briefly describing a transformational service project you participated in and answering the following questions: In which ways did this project help you grow?

Please register by 20 November.

Download and share with colleagues.

Register before 20 November



Join RS Zoom Postcard from Michael Ham Memorial College in Argentina on 3 December.

Michael Ham Memorial College invites you to register up to six students aged 9-11 and one adult HERE for a RS Zoom Postcard with the theme "Homes lost, homes found: The impact of WW2 on Immigration".

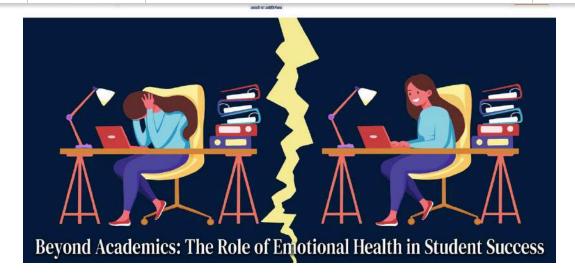
The 60-minute call will take place on Wednesday 3 December at 2pm ART (GMT -3) which we make to be 9am in Los Angeles and Vancouver, 10am in Salt Lake City, 11am in San Pedro Sula, 12pm in New York, Montreal, and Lima, 1pm in Hamilton, 2pm in Santiago and São Paulo, 5pm in London, and 6pm in Madrid and Paris. But please check for your own location.

Ahead of the call our hosts ask participants to research about the impact of immigration in their own countries during WWII and come ready to talk about it in breakout rooms.

Please register by 27 November.

<u>Download and share with colleagues.</u>

Register before 27 November



Join RS Zoom Postcard from Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya in India on 3 December.

Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya in India invites you to register up to six students aged 16-18 and one adult HERE for a RS Zoom Postcard with the theme "Beyond Academics: The Role of Emotional Health in Student Success".

The 60-minute call will take place on **Wednesday 3 December at 5pm IST** (GMT +5hr30) which we make to be 8:30 am in Santiago and Buenos Aires, 11:30am in Accra and London, 12:30pm in Paris, Johannesburg, and Geneva, 1:30pm in Athens, 2:30pm in Nairobi, 3:30pm in Yerevan and Dubai, 5:30pm in Dhaka, and 6:30pm in Bangkok. But please double check this for your own location.

Before the call, our hosts ask participants to please conduct brief interviews with others on the following topics: Can you recall an instance when your emotions influenced your academic performance? What methods or strategies do you currently use to cope with stress, anxiety, or other emotions throughout the school year? and come ready to talk about your findings.

Please register before 27 November.

Download and share with colleagues.

RS Zoom Postcards also open for registration:

Please click on the links below to register and / or to download and share more details of these RS Zoom postcards with any colleagues who might be interested.

Oxbridge Academy, USA

10 December, 9am EST | Ages 11-13

Sunshine State of Mind: Climate, Culture, and Conservation in Florida

Take part: Register by 4 December

Indian High School, Dubai

10 December, 2pm GST | Ages 13–15

Youth Activism and Social Change

Take part: Register by 4 December

Thank You to our recent RS Zoom Postcard hosts

Barker College, Australia- Theme: Everyday Leadership

The theme engaged the 75 participating students into meaningful conversations around the theme of Leadership, as one of the RS IDEALS. After discussion in breakout rooms, here are some key takeaways that students shared during the plenary:

"What makes a good leader? Compassion, empathy, courage, and teamwork" (Charlotte, NEGS)

"The session made me realize how even though me come different countries and leadership might entail a different set of skills, the values that underpin everything are the same". (Ollie, Christ's College)

"When taking about what kind of leader we want to be, we all came to the agreement that to be a good leader you must be a good person". (Manasvi, The Hyderabad Public School Ramathapur)

Maddie, Emily, Inika, Remy, Owen, Valerie and Isabella.

Dover College, UK - Theme: Old Walls, New Voices: How Do We Reimagine the Past?

The session explored the highly relevant theme, "How Do We Reimagine the Past?" Engaging breakout room discussions touched on topics such as how new designs interact with historical contexts, the evolution of place, and Culture, Community, and Controversy: Who Owns the Past? The closing remarks by Dover's Head Boy, Max, offered an insightful conclusion to the conversation. Here are his main conclusions:

"Our discussions have shown that heritage is not just something to be protected but something to be lived. We have heard about buildings that combine tradition and innovation, and we have seen how creativity and sustainability can give old places new life. Here at Dover College, we are proud to be writing our own next chapter with the construction of our new Performing Arts Centre, which will sit alongside our historic buildings as a symbol of how the past and present can work together.

I hope that what we have discussed today will continue to inspire you in your own schools and communities. The ideas we have shared are not only about architecture, but about leadership, responsibility and imagination. By thinking in this way, we become caretakers of the world around us and the stories it carries."

Thank you to baraza leaders Juliette, Maja, Elisa, Max, Korede, Donny, Porter, Harvey, Ronnie, Harry and Cameron.



Radford College in Australia says Hello.

Reminder to Say Hello for World Hello Day: 21 November

To celebrate World Hello Day on 21 November, we are inviting *every school* to send a short video of your students saying "**Hello**" in your own language, from your own corner of the world. We want to showcase the breadth of countries and languages covered by schools in Round Square.

We will be sharing your videos across Round Square's social media channels on **21 November**. We encourage you to share and repost these with your own school communities as a simple way to highlight the global connections your students have through being part of a Round Square school.

How to get involved:

• Gather your students – one class, a group, or your whole school!

Bright, quiet spot

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- Keep it steady use a stand or table
- Upload your video using the form below. (You can send more than one) or email jason@roundsquare.org.

Upload your Hello videos

Join a Round Square school's Collaboration

The following collaborations are currently being offered by Round Square schools across our network. All arrangements for participating and technical hosting of any live events listed below are made and managed by the school that has initiated the collaboration. Please check with the school listed for further information. See all Collaborations.

- **Southridge School** in Canada invites Primary, Middle and Secondary Years students to participate in <u>Promoting STEM and Robotics</u>. This collaboration is ongoing and schools are welcome to join at any time before 30 November 2025.
- RBIS International School in Thailand invites Primary, Middle and Secondary Years
 students to In the Footsteps of Jane Goodall: A collaborative virtual exhibition to
 honour her life and legacy. Schools are welcome to join any time before 21
 November.
- Beijing Concord College of Sino-Canada in China invites Middle and Secondary
 Years students to its <u>Interdisciplinary Project Show in English and Geography</u> on 14
 November 2025.
- Colegio Anglo Colombiano in Colombia invites Secondary Years students to <u>CACMUN XV</u>. The collaboration will take place on 3 December 2025. Schools should register their interest to participate by 15 November.
- Redlands in Australia invites Secondary Years students to join its <u>Chinese Language</u>
 and Culture Trip 2025. Schools are welcome to join any time before 30 November

Holy Trinity College in Argentina invites Primary Years students to join My Favourite
 <u>Detective Story.</u> This collaboration is ongoing and other schools are welcome to join
 at any time before 5 December 2025.

- Cheongshim International Academy in South Korea invites Secondary Years students to join <u>CSIAMUN XVIII</u>. The collaboration will take place on 28 January 2026. Schools should register their interest by 15 December.
- Interactive European School (DES) in Greece invites Primary Years students to join The Eratosthenes Experiment, a collaborative, hands-on scientific investigation inspired by one of history's earliest astronomers and mathematicians. This collaboration is ongoing and other schools are welcome to join at any time before 25 December 2025.
- Redlands in Australia invites Secondary Years students to join its <u>Global</u>
 <u>Collaboration on Courage, Kindness & Inclusivity</u>. This collaboration is ongoing and
 other schools are welcome to join at any time before 31 December 2025.
- **Trivandrum International School** in India invites Early and Primary Years students to participate in <u>Stories Around the World</u>. Schools should register interest to participate by 16 February 2026.
- Oxley College in New South Wales, Australia, invites Early Years and Primary Years to join its ongoing Pen Pal Project to build Intercultural understanding through literacy activities. Schools are welcome to join anytime before 31 March 2026.
- Interactive European School (DES) in Greece invites Primary and Middle Years students who speak, or are learning, Spanish, French, or German to join Find a Global Pen Pal! This collaboration is ongoing and other schools are welcome to join at any time before 10 June 2026.
- Bloom KCCA Academy in Hong Kong invites students of all ages to participate in <u>Care, Think, Act: School Community.</u> This collaboration is ongoing and schools are welcome to join any time before 30 June 2026.

If your school would like to host a collaboration, please log onto the Round Square web site, and post the details here.

Latest Jobs Around the Round Square Network

Please share the following with anyone outside the Round Square Community who you think would be interested in applying for the role and/or you would be happy to recommend. All arrangements are managed by the school that has advertised the job.

Colegio Colombo Británico in Colombia has the following vacancies:

- Head of Secondary Section Apply by 23 November 2025.
- <u>High School English Teacher</u> Apply by 30 November 2025.

If you have an employment opportunity you would like to share, please <u>complete this short</u> form.

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