

27 April 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians of 2nd year students,

Several parents and guardians were required to pay €300 as "Caution Money" as part of the financial agreement (calculated individually according to financial ability) for their children - our students - to attend RBC.

RBC has decided not to deduct any costs from the Caution Money that was paid. This is not because there was no damage, but because we believe there was no malicious damage.

If you paid Caution Money, would like it to be refunded, and have an EU bank account, please confirm this with our accountant, Viola (viola.ali@uwcrobertboschcollege.de), by **Friday, 16 May**. We will require details of the **IBAN, BIC** and name of the **account holder**.

Please note: if you are **not** resident in the EU and do not have an EU bank account, we can, if you wish, refund the money in cash and pass to your child. Please confirm this via email with Viola (viola.ali@uwcrobertboschcollege.de) by **Friday, 16 May**, so she can draw the funds before the second-year students leave. We can only refund in cash on receipt of an email from you.

However, if you are willing and able, it would be wonderful if you would consider donating part or all of the Caution Money to RBC. The reality is that every year, the generous and often sacrificial financial contributions of parents, guardians, National Committees, and UWC international donors still amount to less than 20% of RBC's running costs. This leaves RBC needing to find funders for over 80% of the operating costs to maintain our commitment to fully meeting the financial needs of each student nominated to attend. Every bit of financial support helps maintain this admissions approach, which guarantees the diversity of student backgrounds — something that your child, our student, will have come to deeply value. If you are in a position to consider this, please let me know. If you would like a donation receipt (for tax purposes), please let Viola know.

On Friday, 22 May, I look forward to being with you either in person or, as every year, via the livestream of the Closing Ceremony for parents, guardians, and friends who are unable to come to Freiburg. The Ceremony starts at 10:30 and will be broadcast online via our YouTube channel at the address <https://live.uwcrobertboschcollege.de>

With best wishes,

Helen