Kingston Grammar School: Making a Lasting Difference

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How do you remember your time at KGS?

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LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO GIVE TO KINGSTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL BEYOND YOUR LIFETIME. IT IS A THANK YOU, AN ENDORSEMENT OF YOUR EXPERIENCE AND ALSO A COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE OF THE SCHOOL.

Everyone at our school has benefited from the generosity of a long line of philanthropic donors. From the Lovekyn Chapel built in 1309 to R.C. Sherriff’s purchase of the Boat Club land and then the ambitious fundraiser to acquire Ditton Field in the 1960s, generations have been nurtured through gifts to KGS. As I write this, pupils are enjoying the freshly renovated Quad, aided by an OK and former staff member’s legacy gift. We would like to encourage our alumni and friends to continue this charitable tradition through which the School has flourished.

In the years ahead, your legacy can enable the most gifted pupils to realise their potential with us, regardless of their financial circumstances. We aim to provide an enriching academic environment that allows our pupils to “bene agere ac laetari” or “work well and be happy” as our motto encourages, whilst gaining the skills to take them anywhere they wish in life.

We appreciate that the details of your will are a private matter and we keep these confidential. As a small thank you, legacy pledgers join our 1561 Club and invited to attend different events each year.

On behalf of the School I would like to thank you for your interest. It is greatly appreciated by me, my colleagues and our pupils of today and tomorrow.

MR STEPHEN LEHEC
HEAD MASTER
Throughout the rich history of the School, gifts in wills have played a vital part in our success. Many scholarships and bursaries that you or your peers may have benefited from have come from gifts made by generous alumni and friends of the School.

From departments to the Library, the Quad to our stunning Ditton Field Sports Ground, there are so many areas which have benefited from legacy gifts over the years.

Our pupils are curious. They are investigators who have the courage to take a different view and our reputation rests on the calibre of these pupils and the quality of our teaching and care. For this reason, few gifts can create as many opportunities as a gift towards education at KGS.

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Chris Carnegy (OK 1980) is the BBC’s editor for local TV. He has included the school in his will:

“There aren’t many experiences that can change the course of your life in quite the way that your schooldays can. For me, KGS brought so many opportunities, including many outside the classroom, that broadened my horizons and helped me find my way ahead. So when I was thinking about my will, it seemed natural to want to help someone else to have the same life chances.

“I’m not planning to die anytime soon - but I hope my bequest will eventually help the Bursary Fund, so more young people from every background can benefit from the KGS experience. Arranging a bequest is a simple thing to do; part of its beauty is that you’ll only ever be able to imagine the potential it might unleash.”

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ALEXANDER MCLEAN (OK, 2003) FOUNDER OF THE AFRICAN PRISONS PROJECT AND SCHOOL GOVERNOR SPEAKS ABOUT HIS OWN ASSISTED PLACE:

"Without an assisted place there was no way I could have attended KGS. I didn’t realise there were so many of us receiving financial help. There’s so much talk about social mobility - education is more important to this than anything else. I left school feeling entitled to try and make my mark on the world, and that’s what I have done.

"The fruit of planting a seed which allows a poor child to gain a very good education will be borne for generations to come. You might not see it but this is a gift which will never leave the recipient and which will affect untold others through them."

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A gift to help a child realise their potential

A gift to Kingston Grammar School means you can personalise your donation to an area of School life which means the most to you.

Be it a particular sport, department, bursaries or scholarships, just speak to the Development Office, who can work with you to ensure this gift is practical and workable for you and the School.

We have enclosed a ‘Sharing Your Intentions’ form to allow us to ensure your gift can be spent in exactly the way you would like and to ensure your donation is achievable for the School.

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Attracting the brightest with bursaries and scholarships

Your gift could make a huge difference to talented pupils who have the potential for academic excellence but not the funds to learn with us.

You could choose to support children from 11 or provide a two year Sixth Form bursary, to reflect you and your affinities.

For more information on legacies or to ask any questions please contact the Development Director on 0208 939 8803 or email at foundations@kgs.org.uk.

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Kingston Grammar School’s sporting reputation is international. Ranking third in the country for producing Olympians since 2000, we are one of the country’s best at both rowing and hockey.

You can help foster the passion our coaches share with our pupils and help draw to the School the most talented sportsmen and women who will go on to compete internationally.

Many OKs received a free or heavily subsidised education at KGS, for which they are very grateful. You might consider offering the same chance to another gifted young pupil who will go on to make his or her mark in the world.

We want to be able to attract the brightest minds with the most exceptional academic ability, whose families might not feel they have the means to apply. We can only do this with your help.

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Beautiful sports grounds and cutting-edge academic facilities

We have one of the biggest playing fields in the area at Ditton Field, with astro pitches, pavilions and a boathouse. In contrast, our metropolitan location offers modern teaching facilities, specialist laboratories, progressive teaching methods and new buildings, all within a close knit community of 820 pupils.

With a legacy gift you are contributing not only to buildings and cutting-edge technology but also to the heritage of the School and the nurturing of the bright young minds.

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Enhance the student experience

At KGS, we pride ourselves on our co-curricular opportunities.

Our pupils have a wide array of sporting, musical, dramatic and other co-curricular opportunities. You may also consider supporting your favourite sport or subject whilst a pupil, or you could choose to leave a more general gift to the School.

A gift to “where the School needs it most” will allow support to be given to where the School feels it is needed at that time and permits us the greatest flexibility to fulfill our educational aims.

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