



ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL

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Annual Fund 2017

Welcome to our tenth Annual Fund letter and thank you to all who continue to support us. You may have read in the news recently about the stark reality of funding within the education sector and about the surprisingly high number of schools, particularly in and around London, who are having to ask parents and alumni for voluntary contributions. It would paint the wrong picture to say that we need your support, however, your support will help to ensure that generations continue to leave St George's having had the same breadth of rich experiences which will stay with them well into adult life.

Last year as many of you will know, we were able to refurbish a science laboratory thanks to funds raised by the Old Georgians and by families of current St George's students. Those who had already donated and new donors alike were given the opportunity to sponsor an element of the periodic table and these generous givers are now recognised outside the refurbished lab in a visual display.

I am sure that you will agree that St George's continues to go from strength to strength and all these achievements are certainly something of which we are proud. In order for us to continue with this success we need to support our pupils by providing high quality facilities to enrich the curriculum which in turn will allow our students to thrive, be inspired and to gain the educational, social and spiritual experiences needed to go forward into universities of their choice. I am therefore appealing to you as a Georgian to request your support in offering a gift to the School.

You will be aware from previous Annual Fund letters it has long been our intention to refurbish the Chapel roof. The Chapel was built in 1890 at a modest cost of £1387.00. The cloisters were added in 1914 and the spiral staircase to the gallery was added between 1920 and 1927 as a war memorial to old Georgians killed in the First World War. As far as records show, the roof has never been replaced. There have been a number of patch-work repairs but the time has now come for a proper replacement. To this end, having already had some previous donations from Georgians, we would like to ask for your support again with this important project to enable us to replace the roof. The cost of the works is approximately £85,000 and with monies already received we need a further £60,000.

We expect work to begin on this project by this time next year and it goes without saying that you would be more than welcome to make a donation specifically towards this particular project, which homes in on the place around which life at St George's is centred – The Chapel. Making a donation is not your only option and you will find enclosed information about the Norman Hoare Legacy Programme which allows you to remember St George's in your will.

As we wish to keep you up to date with details of life at St George's and send communications from the Georgian Association, please remember to keep us informed of any changes to your contact



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details. You can notify us of these via email at development@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk or on 01582 716283. If you have not registered with the St George's Alumni, you can do so via the Georgian Association page on the school website.

Can I also take this opportunity to direct you to the School's Facebook page for those who are social media savvy! This can be found at www.facebook.com/stgeorgharpenden

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'J. Timmins', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mr Jon Timmins
Director of Boarding and Development