

CHURCHER'S College

Continuing what Richard Churcher started 300 years ago...



I started at Churcher's in 1987 as a parent when my son joined in the first year, then getting involved the Parents Association before joining the governing body, on which I have served for over 20 years.

I have been involved long enough to know that Churcher's College is a very special school doing some extraordinary things.

I decided to leave a legacy in my will towards the bursaries provided by the Richard Churcher Foundation as I believe that they offer an enormous opportunity for children of parents who might otherwise not benefit from a Churcher's education.

As we turn three hundred, it seems fitting that we think back to how it all started. With your support, we can continue in Richard Churcher's footsteps by widening access to the College, opening up opportunity and unlocking potential for future generations of Churcherians.

Michael Gallagher

Chair of Governors

"Widening access to the College, opening up opportunity and unlocking potential for future generations of Churcherians."

"I cannot think where I would be if I had not been able to attend Churcher's. It has opened so many doors and created so many opportunities for me, in and out of the classroom. There are so many things I would not have been able to enjoy, people I would have never met."

Current bursary recipient

The Richard Churcher Foundation

Churcher's College was established in 1722 following the original bequest from Richard Churcher which aimed to provide an education for ten or twelve local boys from Petersfield in the arts of writing, arithmetic and navigation. The Richard Churcher Foundation exists to continue the culture of philanthropy and community established by our founder by providing transformational bursaries to enable children to be educated at Churcher's.

Over 50 families are currently supported through funding from the school and philanthropic support from our community.

Unless instructed otherwise, all legacy gifts to Churcher's College will be directed towards the Richard Churcher Foundation and the provision of bursaries.

I am leaving a gift in my will to Churcher's...





A few years ago, I read about the 1722 Society in an 'OC' magazine and it got me thinking how much I would like to help others access the same amazing educational and extra-curricular opportunities I had during my time at Churcher's. Being in the early stages of career and family, I was not in a position to donate financially to the school at that time. However, by leaving a gift in my will, I was able to do something for those in the future. In doing so, I became a member of the 1722 Society which offers the opportunity to engage and network with many generations of OCs, comparing our experiences and building new connections through the common bond of the school.

Having been involved with Churcher's College since 1986 when I first came to teach English, I have realised more each year how very important an education there is to so many different pupils. No matter what interests them, they find a way to express that interest, be it sport, drama, music, outdoor adventure or academic attainment. I felt that more children should be given the opportunity to experience the diversity that is Churcher's, so in my small way, a legacy will one day help someone to achieve their full potential.

Gill Clarke

Former staff member



For no single reason I can put my finger on Churcher's has always had a special place in my memory, although I cannot claim any special academic, musical or sporting brilliance. Today's students never fail to impress me and there is no doubt that they take full advantage of the much improved facilities on offer these days but somehow the culture remains the same and I still feel a strong sense of belonging and welcome. The stories of how The Foundation has been able to help deserving students in particular need are particularly heart-warming and this work can only continue if Old Churcherians like us remember our good times and make time now to include a bequest in our wills when remaking them or add a simple codicil. There is no time like the present.

Derek French (Nelson 58)



Recognising your support - 1722 Society

The 1722 Society was established to recognise and thank those who have pledged a legacy gift of \pounds 5,000 or above in their will.

Every year the school invites members of this special group to an annual gathering where they get to meet current pupils and exchange stories.

We are hugely grateful to all the Old Churcherians, staff members and friends of the College who have joined the 1722 Society and hope that we can grow this in the coming years.

Leave a gift to Churcher's in your will

Once you have decided to leave a legacy gift to Churcher's...

- contact your solicitor and inform them of your decision
- please complete a legacy notification form and send it back to the Development Office

Please let us know if you...

- are thinking about making a gift to Churcher's in your will and would like to talk anything through
- have pledged a gift to Churcher's in your will and would like to join the 1722 Society
- would like us to provide sources of information to help you make a will

The legacy notification form is a statement of your intentions but does not bind you in any way. You will be entitled to join the 1722 Society if you wish.











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