

FRIENDS' SCHOOL, SAFFRON WALDEN OLD SCHOLARS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear Old Scholar,

You may be aware of the changes to the organisation of the Old Scholars' Association that were approved at last year's Annual General Meeting and of the even closer ties that the OSA now has with Friends' School. We are now writing to keep you up to date with what these changes mean for the present subscription arrangements.

Now that everyone who attended the school is automatically a member of the OSA, the costs of running the Association are being taken over by the school. Hitherto, your subscription has been used in two ways: to cover the costs of running the Association and to provide a regular donation to the School. We hope, however, that you will consider taking this opportunity to help the School even more by increasing the amount and/or the frequency of your donation and Gift Aiding it by converting it to a Standing Order. The appropriate form is enclosed, with a reply envelope.

In this way the School will continue to reap the benefit of the vital support that Old Scholars like you provide to help future generations of young people to enjoy all the advantages of the Friends' School education that you yourself received for instance through the provision of bursaries.

From now on, with the School meeting the running costs, in the event that you do not make any changes, your current subscription will in practice become a regular donation which the School very much appreciates.

How will my regular donation be used?

The School constantly has plans to update and improve its facilities and you can feel assured that money donated through the OSA will be very well spent in a variety of ways. You can, however, specify a particular use for the donation that you make if you have a particular area of interest.

- The School is committed to widening its provision of **bursaries** so that the ability to pay is not a barrier for those parents who would like their children to attend Friends' School but whose income is more modest. Why not specify 'bursary fund' as a named use for your 'Gift Aided' regular donation?
- Were you a gifted musician? A talented sportsman or sportswoman? Theatrically inclined, taking part in school drama productions? A bookworm? The School has many 'mini-projects' that would benefit from your generosity.

We assure you that every penny received will benefit Friends' School pupils directly.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either one of us via School.

Yours sincerely

President OSA

Head, Friends' School