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GRESHAM'S  
FOUNDATION

*Gresham's was founded thanks to the vision and extraordinary generosity of Sir John Gresham, whose estate, left under the care of the Worshipful Company of Fishmongers, has formed the bedrock of the School's development for over 450 years. Since 1555, Gresham's has been able to advance thanks in no small part to generous donors who left gifts to the School in their will. In recent years, legacy gifts have helped to grow the School's bursary programme and part-funded key capital projects, such as the Britten Music Building in 2017.*

*Legacy giving is one of the most meaningful forms of benefaction. You are remembering and supporting the causes closest to your heart and committing a lasting gift to the School. Legacy giving is also free from inheritance tax, making it a particularly tax efficient form of donating.*

*By leaving a gift in your will to the Gresham's Foundation, you are playing a vital role in the future of the School. You are helping to ensure Gresham's remains a leading educational institution that provides opportunities to young people whose families require financial support.*

## A R E A S   T O   S U P P O R T

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When leaving a gift to the **Gresham's Foundation (registered charity No. 1109441)**, you can decide whether your support is unrestricted (to be used at the School's discretion), goes towards the endowment, or should be directed to an area of the school or specific charitable objective that is most important to you. You may wish to donate towards the bursary programme, the Chapel, Music, Sport or one of the houses at Gresham's, for example.

If you choose to remember the School in your will, please do let us know so that we can ensure all aspects of your plans and wishes are fully understood and we can thank you appropriately. Please note this will not represent a binding commitment and your plans will be treated in the strictest confidence.



## R E C O G N I S I N G   Y O U R S U P P O R T

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By remembering Gresham's in your will, you will be welcomed into **the Sir John Gresham Society**, which recognises donors who have committed to supporting the School in such a way. Every two years Gresham's hosts a lunch to thank all Sir John Gresham Society members for their lasting gift. Society members will also receive invitations to other special events in School each year.

## T Y P E S   O F   L E G A C Y   G I F T S

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Below are some of the most common types of legacy with which you can support the School as a whole or any aspect of Gresham's life:

### R E S I D U A R Y   L E G A C Y

By this route, you can leave the School the residue of your estate or a share of it: the School receives what is left when other bequests along with taxes and the costs of settling the estate have been paid. This has the added advantage of automatically keeping up with inflation.

### P E C U N I A R Y   B E Q U E S T

Also known as a monetary gift, this is a simple legacy of a specified sum of money to a named beneficiary, which you can arrange to be increased in line with inflation.

### R E V E R S I O N A R Y   L E G A C Y

This enables you to leave a life interest in your estate to a dependent or other beneficiary during their lifetime, after which it reverts to the School.

### C O N D I T I O N A L   L E G A C Y

This addresses the possibility that if none of your named dependents survive you, your net estate will be left to the School.

### S P E C I F I C   O R   N O N - M O N E T A R Y   L E G A C Y

A legacy need not be in the form of money. Specific gifts, such as property, valuables or stocks, shares and other securities can also be bequeathed to the School.



We would always advise our legators to seek professional advice before amending an existing will or when adding a codicil. However, we can provide suggested wording for your will for the different types of legacy gifts. For further information, or to discuss leaving a legacy, please email

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**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR CONSIDERING  
LEAVING A LEGACY TO GRESHAM'S AND  
HELPING TO SECURE THE FUTURE  
OF THE SCHOOL.**

*“I am grateful for the fantastic education that I had at Gresham’s.  
It was the dedicated and enthusiastic staff that changed my life.  
I was encouraged to try out new experiences, including the CCF.  
Gresham’s instilled me with the confidence to tackle new  
challenges and not be afraid to fail.*

*As a local GP I am aware that over the years the scholarships and  
bursaries that Gresham’s has offered have made a real difference to  
many lives. I strongly feel that School is improved by widening  
access and by engaging with the local community. For this reason,  
I have arranged a legacy to the Gresham’s Foundation in my will.”*

**DR CARLY HUGHES  
(GIRLS’ HOUSE 1976-78)**



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