



imagine tomorrow

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*It all begins here,
at Denstone College,
where excellence, compassion,
and inclusivity converge.
Imagine Tomorrow is our
shared opportunity to light
the path for the leaders,
innovators, and thinkers
of tomorrow.*



A FORCE FOR CHANGE



“For over 150 years, Denstone College has educated children from all walks of life, nurturing big thinkers, business leaders, musicians, athletes, scientists, engineers, and entrepreneurs. All the while, we’ve held fast to our unwavering ethos of openness and inclusivity, welcoming bright young minds, regardless of their means.”

We understand the profound impact of bursaries. For many of our students, the prospect of a Denstone education would remain a distant dream without the vital support of financial assistance.

It is with great enthusiasm that we introduce you to **“Imagine Tomorrow”**, an ambitious campaign that will enable us to continue our mission of expanding access to education for children, irrespective of background, whilst protecting our heritage buildings, and building for the future.

One in every seven pupils at Denstone College benefits from means-tested funding, facilitated by our needs-blind approach. Yet, for every pupil we support, there are many more we turn away, young minds we believe could greatly benefit from the transformative education we offer.

With your invaluable support, we aspire to broaden our reach, welcoming more children into our community, extending to them our award-winning pastoral care, and offering opportunities that would otherwise have been beyond their grasp.

Our school has always been a place where dreams are nurtured, potential is unlocked, and lifelong bonds are formed. Our commitment to creating an inclusive and vibrant environment runs deep throughout all that we do.

Imagine Tomorrow is an embodiment of hope, a testament to our belief in the potential of the next generation.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your support, and we look forward to embarking on this transformative journey together.

Yours sincerely,

Lotte Tulloch



PROVIDING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

The College council, together with the Head and her Senior Leadership Team, are committed to delivering a competitive and leading educational environment, providing excellence in education, unlimited opportunity, and expertise across all areas of the curriculum, for each of our pupils.

We are moving forwards at pace with ambitions plans for the future, ensuring that our facilities are market-leading, and the creative environment continues to foster a life-long love of learning.

Our ambition is that all pupils, and staff, should be encouraged to build on their strengths, achieving this with respect for each other and our environment. It's an exciting vision, and one that we are proud to be a part of.

Prof Nigel T. Ratcliffe

Chair of Governors



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE OF DENSTONE COLLEGE

We are a catalyst for positive change in society. Dedicated to breaking down barriers, creating opportunities, and empowering individuals from all backgrounds to reach their full potential.

Our commitment to social mobility is rooted in the belief that every person, regardless of their circumstances, should have access to quality education, career development, and a chance to excel in life. Through strategic partnerships, innovative programs, and steadfast support, we are determined to uplift and transform lives.

Join us in our mission to build a brighter, more accessible future for everyone, and together, we will ensure the doors to opportunity are kept open for those that need it the most.

“There is a vital need to raise £1,500,000 of non-fee income per annum, to sustain, and expand, our bursary programme, whilst continuing to develop our facilities for our pupils.”

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**150 YEARS OF
 LIFE-CHANGING
 OPPORTUNITY
 FOR YOUNG
 PEOPLE**

Denstone College, established in 1868, and opening its doors in 1873, carries with it a rich legacy rooted in the visionary ideals of its founder, Canon Nathaniel Woodard. Canon Woodard's own journey was a testament to the transformative power of education. Born as the ninth of twelve children, he did not have the privilege of attending a formal school during his early years. However, his unyielding determination and thirst for knowledge led him to Magdalen Hall in Oxford, where he embarked on his academic journey. This personal experience instilled in him a profound belief in the accessibility of education for all.

Canon Woodard's vision for education was far-reaching. He refused to confine the ambitions of his educational institutions and firmly believed that they should serve every class within the community. Recognizing that achieving this dream would necessitate substantial resources, he quickly realised that the key to making his vision a reality lay in the generosity of benefactors, because of these generous benefactors, Denstone College become a reality.

Woodard's visionary approach was not merely about establishing schools, he saw education as a cornerstone of societal progress, a means of breaking down the barriers that held individuals back and a path to realising one's true potential.

Throughout the last 150 years, philanthropy has continued to shape the College, with additions to the site only made possible due to your generosity. These include The Threlfall Library, The Roper Music School, the refurbishment of School Room, The Sports Hall, The Performance Gym, Hartley House, and most recently, The re-introduction of The Prep at Denstone College.

Over a century later, Denstone College remains committed to Canon Woodard's profound vision. His legacy lives on in our dedication to creating a culture of giving.





— ✦ — ASSISTED PLACES SCHEME

Throughout our storied history, countless students, hailing from diverse backgrounds, have had the privilege of receiving a Denstone education. A significant number of these students were granted this transformative opportunity through the Assisted Places Scheme (APS), a program that Denstone College joined in 1981.

During the 1980s and 1990s, the APS played an instrumental role in facilitating access to Denstone College, for a substantial portion of our student body, bridging the financial divide for up to 70% of our pupils. It was a vital mechanism that allowed bright and motivated students from various financial backgrounds to experience the educational excellence and life-changing opportunities our institution had to offer.

Following the discontinuation of the APS, our commitment to promoting accessibility and inclusivity has not wavered. Denstone College remains dedicated to supporting students who require financial assistance. We continue to ensure that a Denstone education is within reach for all, regardless of their financial means.

“Our enduring mission is to provide a level playing field for promising individuals, preserving the tradition of philanthropy and fostering the belief that education is a universal right, not a privilege.”

- Lotte Tulloch





“DENSTONE COLLEGE BROUGHT OUT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF ASPIRATION FROM WITHIN ME.”

Kivis embarked on her educational journey at Denstone College for Sixth Form, a decision facilitated by her selection through the National Children's Springboard Foundation (NCSF). An exceptional and driven young woman, her ardour for music and her dedication to community service shone. Prior to her enrolment, Kivis and her family visited Denstone College, where she had the opportunity to experience our community, including meeting with current students, and to view the extensive College facilities.

During her tenure at Denstone College, Kivis harnessed her passion for music and drama. Her frequent appearances on stage within the school and inspiring leadership abilities in Moss Moor boarding house established her as an exceptional role model, influencing both her peers and younger girls within the Moss Moor community.

Academically, Kivis thrived during her two years at Denstone College, demonstrating a keen interest in politics and philosophy. Her dedication to her studies culminated in her pursuit of a degree in Politics at Liverpool University, with aspirations of becoming a Barrister. Kivis is driven by a desire to level the socio-economic playing field.

Kivis's commitment to effecting positive change extends to her role as a passionate Ambassador for the Royal National Children's Springboard Foundation. Her remarkable journey serves as an inspiring testament to the Foundation's transformative impact on young lives, offering hope and opportunities to those who aspire to achieve their dreams. She hopes that her story will ignite a spirit of courage and determination among the next generation of young individuals, encouraging them to take bold steps forward on their own transformative paths.



ROYAL NATIONAL CHILDREN'S SPRINGBOARD FOUNDATION

When it comes to educational outcomes, the gap between young people from low-income families and those from more privileged backgrounds may seem insurmountable. Through a number of powerful partnerships, Royal National Children's Springboard Foundation are finding ways to close that gap, one young person at a time.

Royal National Children's SpringBoard Foundation works with over a hundred state boarding and independent schools - to widen access to their fully-funded bursary places for children who most need access to the opportunities these provide.

Denstone College are a proud partner to Royal National Children's Springboard Foundation.

“Through our partnership with Royal National Children's Springboard Foundation, I have had the privilege of supporting children throughout their time at Denstone College. The opportunity to attend Denstone College as a full-time boarder has the potential to change a young person's future, because of this, we hope to expand this partnership extensively over the next five years, enabling more young people to experience Denstone College, regardless of their financial situation.”

- Jon Tomlinson



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DENSTONE COLLEGE
HAS PROVIDED ME
WITH A FAMILY

"Being offered a place at Denstone College was a surreal feeling, actually arriving was pure euphoria! For me, to be given a bursary was a chance to make something of my life and achieve things I once thought impossible.

I was awarded a fully-funded place, allowing my transition from a day pupil at a state school where I found the environment extremely challenging, to a full-time boarder.

Being at the College has gifted me the opportunity to not only fulfil my dreams, but to believe in myself and my abilities.

Denstone College hasn't just provided me with a rounded education, it's provided me with a family, a home away from home and the courage and confidence to see the true potential I hold.

After being here for only a few months, I can positively say that making the decision to come here and go on this incredible journey was the best choice I ever made, and I look forward to continuing on this path and seeing where my life takes me, because being a Denstonian means that not even the sky is the limit."

Anon, transformational bursary recipient 2024.

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PROTECTING OUR HERITAGE, BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

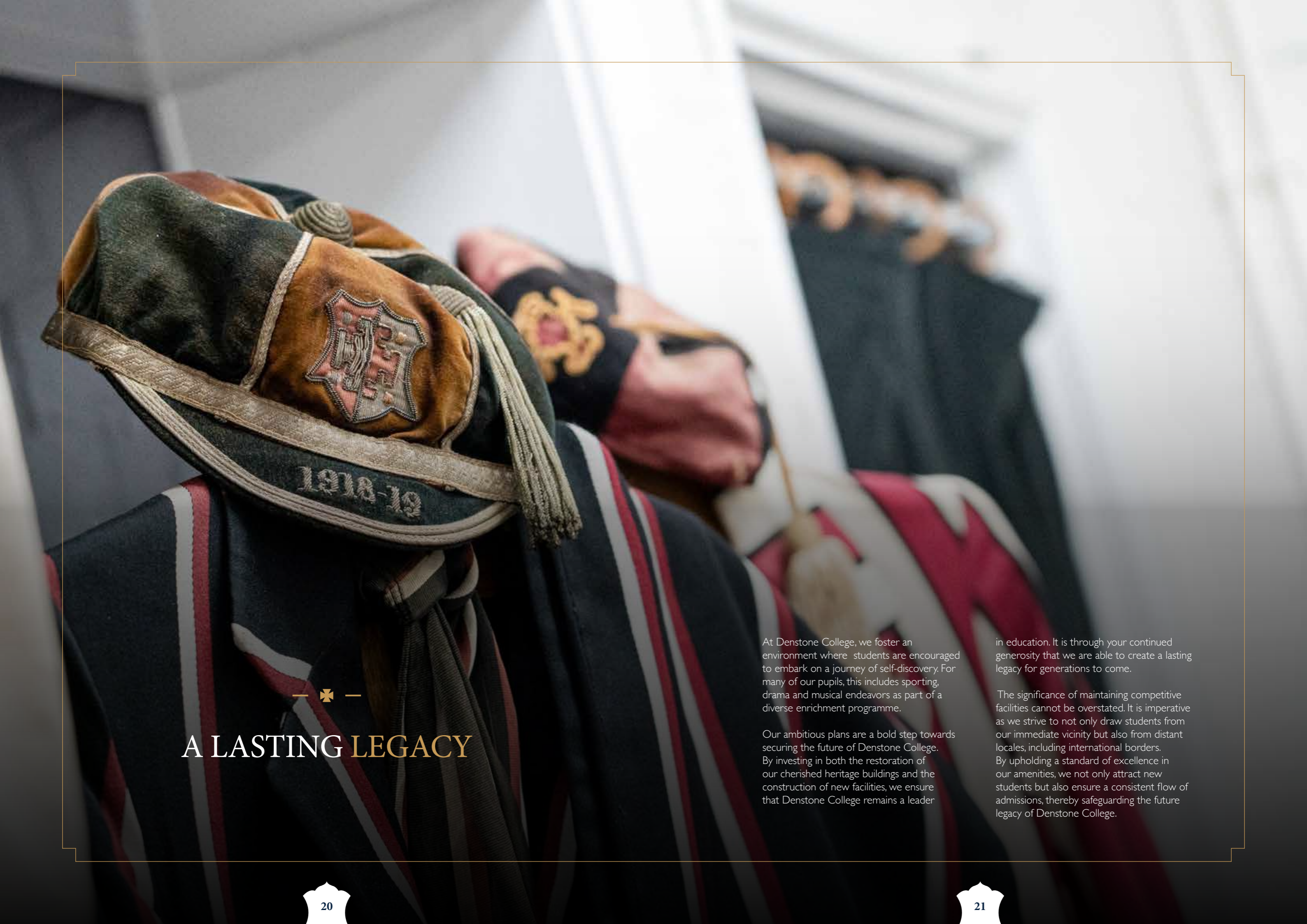
Denstone College is embarking on a journey that will preserve our heritage, and build for the future. Our ambitious plans underscore our commitment to maintaining the historic charm of our campus, while equipping it with state-of-the-art facilities to meet the needs of future generations.

A cornerstone of our vision will be the development of facilities. This extends to our Sixth Form provision across a number of key areas. Our ambition is to maximise existing spaces, unlocking their full potential, providing our senior students with cutting-edge resources and a dynamic learning environment - letting tradition meet innovation.

In addition to our Sixth Form offering, we have ambitious plans to modernise our boarding facilities. Building on the success of a pilot project in North House, we will extend these enhancements across all boarding houses as part of a rolling refurbishment plan. Our goal is to create comfortable, inspiring, living spaces that support our students' academic and personal growth.

Additional areas for improvement include facilities such as the Drill Hall. Unlocking its full potential as an additional Sports Hall and future performance space. This multi-purpose venue will enrich our students' extra curricular experiences, fostering a well-rounded education that balances academic rigor with physical and artistic development.





A LASTING LEGACY

At Denstone College, we foster an environment where students are encouraged to embark on a journey of self-discovery. For many of our pupils, this includes sporting, drama and musical endeavors as part of a diverse enrichment programme.

Our ambitious plans are a bold step towards securing the future of Denstone College. By investing in both the restoration of our cherished heritage buildings and the construction of new facilities, we ensure that Denstone College remains a leader

in education. It is through your continued generosity that we are able to create a lasting legacy for generations to come.

The significance of maintaining competitive facilities cannot be overstated. It is imperative as we strive to not only draw students from our immediate vicinity but also from distant locales, including international borders. By upholding a standard of excellence in our amenities, we not only attract new students but also ensure a consistent flow of admissions, thereby safeguarding the future legacy of Denstone College.

SUPPORT US

Denstone College would not exist without the generosity of our founders. Gifts have been the bedrock on which we have built our remarkable school. The next 150 years are equally important and now is a critical time to take bold steps as we look to build for the future.

Denstone College is not a wealthy school. We do not have an endowment fund like many other independent boarding schools. We rely on the generosity of gifts made by alumni, parents and friends of Denstone College, to support development projects and to continue to offer the exceptional bursary programme that we are so proud of. In joining our global community of donors, you may prefer to make an individual gift, a regular gift on a monthly, quarterly, six monthly, or annual basis.

In addition to supporting the College today, a number of our donors also choose to make a planned gift to The Denstone Foundation in their will, and in doing so, become a member of The 1868 Society. Please contact us to arrange a confidential meeting, or to receive a comprehensive information pack. All legacy gifts can be recognised in your lifetime.

We are also pleased to receive gifts of shares, property, possessions, and investments of other kinds. Even the smallest of gift has the potential to make a big impact.

Gift Amount	Gift Aid	Commitment	Total Gift Value
£30 p/m	£7.50	5 years	£2,250.00
£50 p/m	£12.50	5 years	£3,750.00
£100 p/m	£25.00	5 years	£7,500.00
£3,000 per annum	£750.00	5 years	£18,750.00*

** Sponsor a day pupils fees for one year.



A GIFT FOR THE FUTURE, ENGRAVED IN OUR HISTORY

We are delighted to launch The Patrons' Garden at Denstone College, a tribute to the remarkable generosity of our donors. Prominently located in the Selwyn Quad, this striking installation will honour those that have made generous donations towards our Imagine Tomorrow Campaign.

These monoliths will stand as a testament to the enduring support and dedication of our community. Your donation can be directed towards our transformative bursary programme, providing opportunities for talented students, or towards the development of our buildings and facilities, ensuring that Denstone College continues to thrive. By having your name engraved on these exclusive monoliths, you will not only be a part of our history but also inspire a culture of philanthropy among future generations.

To learn more about how you can support our vision for the future, please contact Jess Smith, Director of Development & Alumni Relations. Please join us in celebrating the spirit of generosity and securing the future of Denstone College.



JOIN OUR GIVING CIRCLES

We invite all of our valued supporters to join our giving circles, either by means of a charitable contribution or through a pledge made to College during their lifetime. For exclusive members of the Head's Circle, Patrons, and Benefactors, our annual Founders Dinner is an opportunity to hear from the Head and members of the leadership team as we look together to the future of Denstone College. In addition to this, members of the Head's Circle are invited to join as special guests at our annual speech day celebrations. All donors will have the option to be included in our annual giving roll, in addition to further recognition opportunities across the College.

Giving Circle Name	Giving Circle Category	Sum Given/Pledged
Head's Circle	Platinum	£25,000+
Patrons	Gold	£10,000 - £24,999
Benefactors	Silver	£2500 - £9,999
Sponsors	Bronze	£250-£2499
Supporters	Maroon	£1- £249





THE GIFT OF A LIFETIME

The 1868 Society is made up of the most dedicated supporters of Denstone College. Making a legacy gift to the college holds profound significance. By contributing to the establishment of bursaries, infrastructure, and support systems, individuals can play a pivotal role in breaking down barriers that may hinder talented and deserving students from accessing quality education.

In addition, these generous gifts contribute significantly to building a sustainable foundation for the future of Denstone College. Donations can be directed towards the development of state-of-the-art facilities, innovative academic programs, and cutting-edge resources that ensure the institution's continued excellence.

“By investing in the college’s long-term growth and development, legacy donors become integral partners in shaping the trajectory of Denstone College for generations to come. The impact of such foresighted giving transcends individual lifetimes, leaving an enduring legacy that not only benefits current and future students but also enhances the reputation and impact of Denstone College in the wider educational landscape.”

- 1868 Society Member.

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OUR SUPPORTERS

Local Artist, Desirée Cumberbatch, produces limited edition artwork of the College, generously donating a percentage of proceeds from every sale towards the Imagine Tomorrow Campaign.

“It is a great privilege for me to be able to support the College in order to help as many children as possible experience life and education at such a magnificent school. All three of my children have been fortunate enough to receive their education at Denstone College. They have been extremely happy and have succeeded as a result through the support they have been given.”

Desirée Cumberbatch, Sponsor & member of our Bronze Giving Circle.
www.cumberbatchart.co.uk

“As proud alumni of Denstone College, we understand the transformative power of education and the profound impact it has on shaping the lives of young people. That’s why we are passionate supporters of Denstone College, contributing annually to the Springboard Bursary programme and capital projects like the Prep and Heritage Centre. By investing in the future of our alma mater, we are not only preserving its rich heritage but also ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed, regardless of their background. Together, we can continue to uphold the values of excellence, integrity, and community that define Denstone College.”

John Cameron, Chairman, Old Denstonian Club.

The Old Denstonian Club have supported Denstone College since its formation. Their commitment to the College is unwavering and has helped bring to life projects such as The Prep and The Heritage Centre. The OD Club also make a regular gift to our transformational bursary programme, making a huge impact on the lives of young people.



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GIVING FORM

Name:

Address:

Telephone: E-mail:

Please direct my gift to: Unrestricted (area of greatest need) Bursaries Infrastructure Fund

If you would like to support another area of College life, please get in touch with the Development Office.

I would like to make an individual gift. I enclose a cheque made payable to "The Denstone Foundation" for the sum of £

Bank transfer to:

Account Name: The Denstone Foundation	Payments from Abroad
Bank Name: Lloyds TSB	IBAN: GB41 LOYD 309762 00 589453
Sort Code: 309890	SWIFT / BIC CODE: LOYD GB 21 301
Account Number: 00412381	

I would like to make a regular gift. Monthly Quarterly Six Monthly Annually

To start on the 1st of: Month: Year:

Gift Aid – Increase the value of your donation by 25p for every £1. Gift Aid is reclaimed by The Denstone Foundation from the tax you pay in the current tax year.

- I want to Gift Aid this donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to The Denstone Foundation. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income tax/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.
- Please notify us if you want to cancel this declaration, change your name, home address, or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains for Gift Aid to be reclaimed. If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

Signature: Date:

- I would like to gift aid my donations I would like to give anonymously
- Please send me information on leaving a gift in my will to the College

Please return this form to Jess Smith, Director of Development & Alumni Relations,
 The Development Office, Denstone College, Denstone, ST14 5HN.
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