

# Informing Chigwell School of your intentions

This pledge does not commit you in any way. It is simply a statement of your present intentions.

I have decided to remember Chigwell School in my Will with a:

- ☐ Residuary
- ☐ Pecuniary
- ☐ Reversionary
- ☐ Other bequest

The purpose of my gift will be for:

- ☐ The general purposes of Chigwell School
- ☐ Specific purpose as follows:

(We strongly recommend that you contact us in order to ensure that we are able to accomplish your wishes.)

The approximate value of my pledged bequest is, in current terms, £

- ☐ I wish my legacy to remain anonymous.

- ☐ I am considering making a bequest to Chigwell School in my Will, please contact me again
- (please indicate when it would be convenient for the School to contact you)

I wish to be contacted via:

- ☐ Telephone
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Letter

- ☐ I have all the information I need. Please do not contact me again regarding this matter.

SIGNATURE Date

THANK YOU FOR INFORMING US OF YOUR INTENTIONS

This form should be returned to:  
The Development Office, Chigwell School, High Road, Chigwell, Essex, IG7 6QF



# Leaving a Legacy

## AND THE 1629 SOCIETY

If you would like further information about any of the School fundraising projects and how you could help with a bequest, please do not hesitate to contact:

The Development Office, Chigwell School, High Road, Chigwell, Essex, IG7 6QF  
Tel: 020 8501 5748 Email: [development@chigwell-school.org](mailto:development@chigwell-school.org) Website: [www.chigwell-school.org](http://www.chigwell-school.org)



*‘A gift to Chigwell School in your Will benefits the School and avoids Inheritance Tax; what further incentive does an Old Chigwellian require!’*

Chigwell School is an Incorporated Charity, No. 1115098.  
It exists to provide an outstanding, all-round education for its pupils.



# Why leave a bequest to Chigwell School?

Over the years, the pages of *The OC Mitre* have featured many happy recollections and articles by former pupils reflecting on their years at Chigwell, their *alma mater*. These range from fond memories of taking part in drama, music or sporting achievements, to friendships made or perhaps a particular teacher. Running through this vast array of memories is the sense that Chigwell touched pupils’ lives in many different ways and left them with a *legacy*. If you feel the same, why not build on that legacy?

By pledging to leave a bequest in your Will to Chigwell you will be recognising all that the School means to you, and contributing to the lives of generations to come. This is an opportunity to make a difference so that others can enjoy the first-class education that many have previously benefited from and which Chigwell School continues to offer.

After protecting the interests of your family and friends, we ask you to consider adding your name to the list of benefactors who have generously supported Chigwell School over the years by completing and returning the attached legacy pledge.

We have a proud past, and we can look to an even greater future with your help.



## The 1629 Society

Chigwell School was founded by  
Archbishop Samuel Harsnett in 1629.

The 1629 Society has been formed to recognise those who have indicated they will leave a legacy to Chigwell School. Whilst its membership will remain confidential, members will receive regular communications and will be invited to an annual 1629 Society event hosted by the Headmaster and the Chairman of the Governors.

# Your part in the School’s future

Legacy giving represents an easy and tax-efficient means of making a future gift to Chigwell School. By leaving a bequest to Chigwell you will:

- Provide an excellent opportunity to help secure the long-term future of the School.
- Endow means-tested scholarships that will enable deserving pupils to come to Chigwell.
- Give something back to Chigwell School.
- Do more than you might have been able to do in your lifetime.
- Save in Inheritance Tax.

Any gift you make to the School in your Will is deducted from the value of your estate before it is assessed for Inheritance Tax. Therefore a legacy to Chigwell School can help reduce or eliminate your liability by bringing the value of your estate below the current allowable inheritance tax threshold.

## Types of legacy

Your Will is a sensitive and important document, it allows you to ensure that your interests are protected. It also allows you to make provisions for family members, individuals and charities that are meaningful to you. A solicitor is the best person to advise on this and would help you to decide which of these would be most suitable to you:

- **Residuary legacy.** This leaves all or part of residue of your estate to Chigwell School, that is what is left after you have provided for your family and friends, liabilities, legal costs, expenses and tax. A residuary bequest has the advantage that its value is not eroded by inflation.
- **Pecuniary legacy.** This simple form of legacy allows you to leave a specific amount of money or asset. If you are considering making this type of gift, to avoid reducing its value you may wish to make it inflation-proof by linking the amount to the Retail Price Index. A solicitor will be able to assist you with arranging this.
- **Reversionary legacy.** This is an attractive method of providing for your family first by holding some, or all, of your assets in a trust with the trustees directed to pay the income from them to your family during their lifetime. After the death of the beneficiaries, you could provide for the capital to pass to Chigwell School.
- If you have already made your Will but have not included Chigwell School and wish to make the School a beneficiary, a **codicil** is a simple way of adding to it at a later stage without rewriting the main provisions. It needs to be signed and witnessed, but it is a straightforward procedure that can be easily arranged by a solicitor.

The Development Office would be very happy to suggest appropriate wording for the most common types of legacy. However, we recommend that wording is carefully reviewed by you and your solicitor in the context of your Will and personal circumstances.

# Chigwell School The 1629 Society Pledge Form (STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL)

It would help us greatly if you could complete and return this form by using the enclosed self-addressed envelope. By doing so, we are able to thank you for your kindness and ensure that we fully understand your wishes and the precise form of commemoration that you would like. The information you give us is not binding and has no legal implications.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please detach, complete both sides and return to:

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