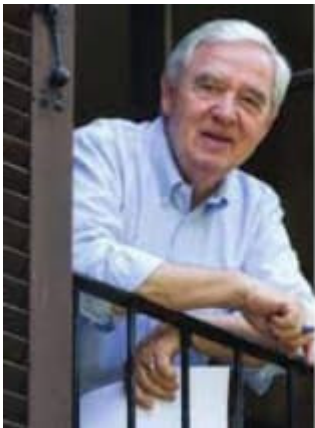




Don't forget: beautiful sunsets need cloudy skies. – Paul Coelho

Photo credit: Rob Surminski (TASIS England House Parent)



LYLE RIGG
IN MEMORIAM



“Leadership – that is what education is all about...I mean the kind of leader who subtly and visibly affects the lives of all around them and makes a better person of those whose lives they touch. A role model, yet so much more, because of that certain something they give off – that sense of life as an exciting and wonderful thing!”

M. Crist Fleming, in a speech to faculty and staff in 2007

As we rejoice at the start of spring, many in the TASIS community are experiencing clouds of loss as we mourn the passing of a fine, fine Headmaster and Board Director, Lyle Rigg.

We will celebrate Lyle's life and exceptional service to TASIS on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, with a memorial service at St. Mary's Church, Thorpe, at 3:30 p.m. followed by afternoon tea in the Fleming Garden at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Board and Foundation Board members, current and former faculty, staff, and parents, and our alumni are invited to attend this special memorial. To help us plan for the day, please complete the form linked in the button below if you will attend.

[RSVP for Lyle Rigg's Memorial Service](#)

Despite his health challenges, Lyle was determined to attend our Boston reunion in January to pledge his support to our Financial Aid Fund and announce the addition of his family's names to our next Donor Board. Seeing the joy on Lyle's face when we declared that the new Donor Board would be headed The Lyle Rigg Scholarship Fund was wonderful.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this Fund so far. If you wish to donate in Lyle's honor, simply complete the link below.

We will unveil the new Donor Board on May 14. Should you wish to add a name or family name to this, please submit your donation of \$630 or £500 (or more) and our team will contact you to confirm your name presentation details.

[Donate to the Lyle Rigg Scholarship Fund](#)

Heartfelt Words on Life-long Friendship

During our Boston Reunion, Sherilyn Holcombe Waxler (pictured below) from the Class of 1993 shared some touching reflections that we wanted to share with you all:



As an alum of TASIS England I want to share what a special place it was and is. Like many other students at TASIS, I was a global nomad or third culture kid. Whether my classmates had moved five times, had a mix of cultures in their family background, or simply were adjusting to living abroad we all knew the experience of being in a culture other than the one assigned to us at birth by a piece of paper. Newcomers were welcomed with open arms. When I look back on my education at TASIS, I see how it was so easy to focus on our common humanity. Wherever it was we came from, whatever we believed or looked like, whatever language we spoke, we all shared our day-to-day lives. Our teachers encouraged us to open our minds to the world through our books and our classmates, In Program travel, Model United Nations, and ISSTs. I know that I, and many of my classmates, were inspired by teachers and classmates we will consider friends for a lifetime

Life and distance may get in the way of staying in touch, but we have lifelong connections that oceans and decades are no match for. In the summer of 2023, I returned to TASIS England for the 30th reunion of the Class of '93. TASIS England gave us such a warm welcome – we visited with teachers and friends and some of us stayed in the dorms and ate our breakfasts in the dining hall and reminisced about all the things. Some of us shared TASIS with our children and partners. Our wonderful headmaster Mr. Rigg's video message inspired many to travel to Boston! In January! Being back at TASIS was truly magical. It reminded me how wonderful it is to have friends all over the world, how lucky we were to have been together then, and to be together whenever and however our paths cross. As a TASIS England alum, student or faculty, you have new friends everywhere, and old friends who are in your heart for all your life."

With thanks to Sherilyn



Sherilyn and the Class of 1993
celebrating life-long connections at their 30th reunion

Tell us Something about You!

We are always keen to hear alumni stories. Whether you graduated from TASIS England or only attended in Lower, Middle, or Upper School for a few years, we want to hear from you!

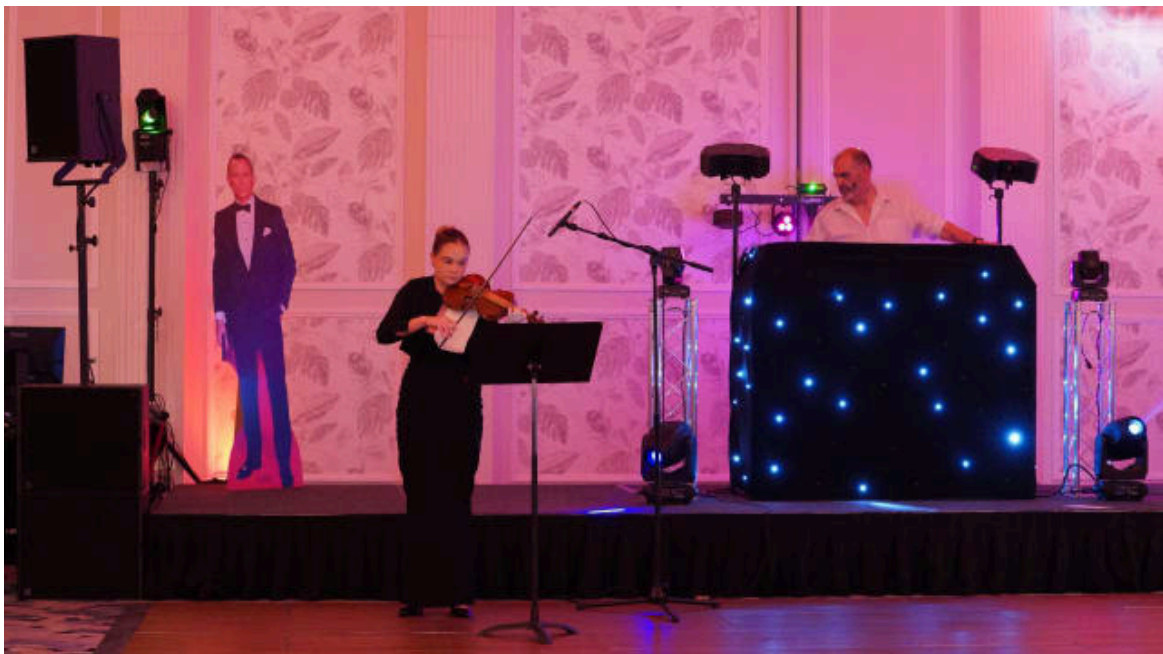
We plan to share short biographies of our alumni, current students, parents, and faculty on our website. We would like to hear from alumni from different decades, careers, and countries so you can represent our TASIS England community's global and diverse population. We appreciate your willingness to share your experience with prospective families and ask that you complete the form below.

As we start to use these, we may ask for a recent photo of yourself, suitable for display on the school website.

We are grateful for your support, and thank you for taking the time to complete the form below.

[Click here to complete the Alumni Bio Form](#)

Thank You for the Music



This year's TPA Gala was a magnificent event made all the more spectacular by some alumni-created video and a live violin solo from the incredible Alma Balazs from the Class of 2023. Alma played Sarabande and Giga from Bach's Violin Partita No. 2 in D Minor and enjoyed a very well-deserved standing ovation from our parents.

Thank you, Alma.

Construction in Progress!



As our Boarding and Upper School student numbers flourish, we are excited to announce the building of six new classrooms on land adjacent to the gym.

Building has just commenced and we look forward to opening the classrooms in time for the new school year in August 2024.

TASIS England Summer Program



It was wonderful to welcome children of our alumni to last year's Summer Program (some of whom have now enrolled full-time) and places are filling fast for 2024!

For further information, click on the link below to view our website. Please note that children of alumni are eligible for a 10% discount on Summer Program fees.

[Visit Our TASIS England Summer Program Website](#)

International Festival & Mayfair

Planning is well underway for these unique and fun-filled TASIS England events, and you are welcome to join us! Our 2024 International Festival will take place on April 26 (3:30 - 5:30 p.m. and Mayfair will take place on May 11, 2024 (11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Here are some photos from 2023.



TASIS England International Festival 2023 - Click on the image above to see more photos



TASIS England Mayfair 2023 - Click on the image above to see more photos

Upcoming TASIS England All-Class Reunions

Houston, Texas – Friday, March 22, 2024 with VIP Guests Jay Wyper and Carmen Armistead

Last call for Houston!

It's just a few days until our Houston reunion! Over 70 attendees have registered, including Jay Wyper, former parent and current Tasis England Board member, and Carmen Garrett Armistead, former Tasis England Counselor, Head of Upper School, and Director of Advancement. Don't forget to sign up now using the link below if you would like to join this very special reunion celebration.

For more information, please contact Mary Biddlecombe at mbiddlecombe@tasisengland.org



Please sign up here for the Houston Reunion

Special Anniversary Reunions – are relocating to NYC!



Due to the unexpected but exciting building works on campus, we are combining our anniversary reunions to create one huge celebration in New York on **Friday, June 14, 2024** for all of the classes listed below.

If you haven't done so already, please complete this sign-up form to confirm your interest and thank you to all Class Agents for spreading encouragement!

Sign up for the TESIS England Alumni Anniversary Reunion in New York



A Special Invitation from Richard J. Marks from the Class of 1986

While we are writing of New York, we are delighted to share this invitation from Richard J. Marks:



"Fortuitous timing, along with Sally B. Brown's long-standing relationship as a board member and supporter of The English Concert in America, Maestro Harry Bicket and members of The English Concert will be able to participate in and support the "A Gift of Sound" concert on April 14, 2024.

A Gift of Sound concert is sponsored by The Brown Family, whose love of music has supported performance and the collecting of musical instruments since 1884. The performance will be led by internationally renowned opera and concert conductor of distinction, Harry Bicket, Artistic Director of The English Concert since 2006. He was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2022 Birthday Honours for services to music. Among the finest chamber orchestras in the world, The English Concert connects audiences with the exceptional quality and the zeal of its players."

With thanks to Richard

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Our email address: alumni@tasisengland.org

Contact person: Mary Biddlecombe - Executive Director, Development & External Relations

Join our Alumni [Facebook Page](#).

Do you wish to update your data?

We know our Alumni often move around the world and experience new professional adventures. We would like to have your up-to-date contact details so we can keep communicating with you. Please also let us know what you are doing professionally, and whether you would be willing to advise our current students about their future career paths. **If you have moved recently or think that your details may be outdated**, please fill in [this form](#) and send it to us. We will update your details on our database.

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