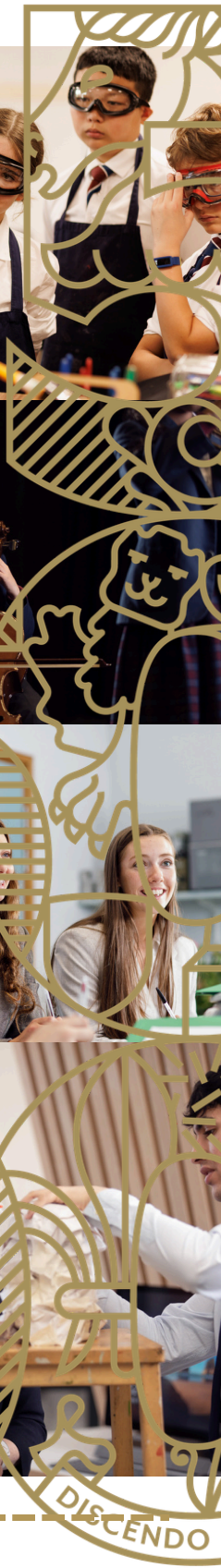


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Leaving a gift in your Will



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Thank you for considering a gift in your Will to RGS Newcastle.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who considers leaving a gift in their Will to RGS Newcastle.

Our school was founded in 1525, thanks to the visionary bequest of Thomas Horsley, a former Mayor of Newcastle. His legacy was more than financial - it was a profound investment in the future of young people. He believed that education should be accessible to those with talent and ambition, regardless of their means. That founding ethos continues to define us today.

A legacy rooted in philanthropy

The RGS Bursary Programme is a living tribute to Thomas Horsley's vision. It opens doors for bright, motivated students from across the North East who might otherwise be unable to benefit from the transformative opportunities RGS offers. These bursaries do more than support individuals; they enrich our entire school community, fostering diversity, inclusion, and a vibrant exchange of ideas. Over the past two decades, the impact of our bursaries has been nothing short of transformational. Some of the brightest minds from the most challenging backgrounds now walk our corridors, thrive in our classrooms, and go on to achieve extraordinary things - all because someone believed in their potential.



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Leaving a legacy: A gift that lasts beyond a lifetime

Writing a Will is one of the most personal and powerful ways to care for the people and causes you love. After providing for your loved ones, many people choose to leave a gift to a charity close to their heart, a legacy that continues to make a difference long after their lifetime.

What is a legacy gift?




A donation to Charity left in your Will is known as a Legacy Gift. It's a meaningful way to support a cause you believe in, helping to create lasting change for future generations.

There are several types of legacy gifts:

-  Residuary gift – a percentage of your estate after other gifts and expenses
-  Pecuniary gift – a fixed sum of money
-  Specific gift – a particular item, such as property, shares, or valuables

Why leave a legacy gift?

Leaving a legacy gift is a way to:

-  Make a lasting impact on the causes you care about
-  Support future generations through education, health, or social change
-  Reduce Inheritance Tax on your estate



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Understanding inheritance tax

Inheritance tax is charged at 40% on the value of your estate above the £325,000 threshold. However, anything left to a spouse or civil partner is exempt. Gifts to charities, universities, museums, or community amateur sports clubs are also exempt. With property prices rising and the threshold frozen until 2030, more estates are affected, making legacy giving a smart and generous way to reduce tax and support meaningful work.

Gifts to registered charities are exempt from inheritance tax, and if you leave 10% or more of your net estate to charity, the tax rate on the rest of your estate may be reduced from 40% to 36%.

How to leave a legacy gift

 Write or update your Will with a solicitor or Will-writing service.

 Include the charity's full details:


Charity name: RGS Newcastle Educational Trust

Registered charity number: 508285

Address: Royal Grammar School Newcastle, Eskdale Terrace, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE2 4DX

 Decide the type of gift you'd like to leave

 Let your loved ones know your wishes

 Tell us - we'd love to thank you personally for your generosity. If your gift exceeds £5,000, we'll also invite you to let us know how you'd like your name to appear on your Horsley Society plaque, which will be placed on the external wall of the Senior School in perpetuity.



RGS BURSARIES

Since The RGS Bursary Campaign was established in

2002...



193 donors gifted an incredible **£1.3m** in 2024/25

“ I don't believe that 'thank you' is a sufficient term to acknowledge what the campaign has done for me, but from the bottom of my heart I appreciate and thank everyone involved for the chance to be at the RGS. ”



£2.7m

has been gifted to the RGS in legacies

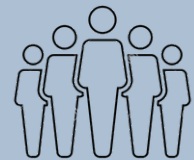


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bursary students have been supported since RGS Bursaries were established



“ We are 100% sure that without achieving the bursary, my daughter's school life and her future would not be so promising.. The RGS is a wonderful school, and we are extremely proud and grateful for everything it has given and continues to give. ”



108

regular donors to the Bursary campaign in 2025

“ The kindness and immense generosity of the donors whom I have never met are particularly inspiring to me. I will be forever grateful to all those involved with the RGS Bursary Campaign and for the immeasurable help they have given me. ”



1 in 16 (90)

Students attended RGS on transformational bursaries in September 2024/25



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CONTACT US

If you would like to discuss leaving a gift in your Will to RGS we would be delighted to hear from you.

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