



The Abbey

Art Grant 2018-2020

We offered a local mixed media artist the opportunity to be an Artist in Residence. Janet Curley-Cannon operated her studio from The Gallery in Turret House. She worked with students, including IB and A Level Art students, on the theme of the UN sustainability goals.

Her residency culminated in another Art initiative where The Gallery was selected as one of the venues for Whiteknights Studio Trail in 2019. This trail is a walking tour of artists' studios in the university area of Reading and attracts around 650+ visitors over a weekend.

Reach: The Abbey - Whole School and the wider school community

Cost: £500

Awarded: £500

Impact: Showcased our students' art to our various stakeholders and to the general public.

Outcome: Over 1,000+ unique visitors to The Gallery over the year.





Sports Grant 2018-2020

The Abbey hosted a sports' well-being and sports' enhancement programme for students called Tyhtan (meaning 'to teach' in old English, pronounced Titan). Tyhtan is a pioneering programme which helps improve physical performance as well as reducing injuries in school-age children. The programme focused on three areas: Teach, Test and Train.

The programme was initially aimed at 40 Sport Scholars but is planned to be offered to the whole school community after the trial period.

Reach: 40 Sport Scholarship recipients (as a trial)

Cost: £175 (per head) x 40 recipients

Awarded: £7,000

Impact: Improved confidence and sense of well-being.

Outcome: Reduced injury amongst participants - to be offered commercially to the whole school.





Law Grant 2018-2020

The Abbey Sixth Form's Law Society was extended to younger students. The Society is aimed at girls considering a career in the law profession, as well as those interested in public speaking. It is also of benefit to those interested in other professions, as the subject also considers social policy and world issues.

The funding helped provide additional resources including entering a mock-trial competition, external speaker costs and trips to Reading & Oxford Crown Courts.

Reach: Students interested in law and matters of social policy

Cost: £1,700 (over two years)

Awarded: £1,700

Impact: The membership grew rapidly - 146 new students enrolled into this programme in 2019 with an enhanced interest shown for Law in 2020.

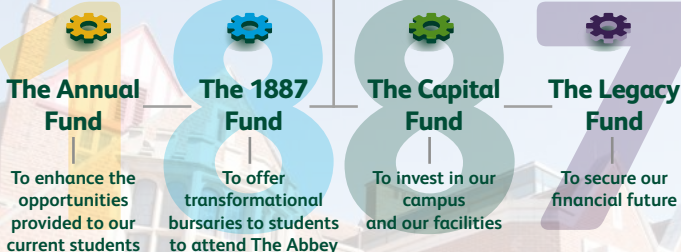
Outcome: The enhanced interest shown towards Law subjects and procedures has led to an upswing in students choosing Law degrees at University.

“The Annual Fund makes a practical difference to the lives of hundreds of students - one whose impact may continue long into their futures.”



Mr Will le Fleming - Head

Transforming Lives Campaign



Upper VI Fund - Annual Bursary Appeal

Currently our Annual Fund support comes from our former and current parents, alumnae, staff and governors.

We value each and every gift, no matter how small.

Upcoming Junior School project **2020 - 2022**

Junior School Sport & Co-Curricular Grant

A Climbing Wall is to be erected on the outside wall of the JS Hall facing the Somerlease gardens and recreation space. Access to this facility is for all Junior School students from Prep through to Lower III.

Reach: At least 50% of all JS students

Cost: £30,000

Awarded: £20,000

Impact: To improve risk-taking, confidence, provide physical challenges and break down stereotyping.

Outcome: TBC after first year of operation.

The Annual Fund

We are clear about our mission to provide an outstanding education for girls that builds confidence, purpose and

This means providing exceptional opportunities across the widest spectrum and broaden each individual's talents and interests. It is a privilege to witness become resilient young people with the enthusiasm and tenacity to make

Our Annual Fund is invested directly into our students' experience. It is a and immediate impact, expanding student horizons and allowing them to

The Fund is used to support additional educational experiences, curricular and co-curricular exploration. Staff are invited to encourage innovation and risk-taking in teaching and confidence and sense of purpose not just to play

Your support makes a direct difference

- Provides unique opportunities broad, fulfilling and challenging
- Supports a curriculum that empowers students to achieve the best

Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer and you complete the Gift Aid Declaration on The Abbey's Donation Form, the School can reclaim an additional 25% of your donation at no extra cost to you. We reclaim this extra amount from tax you have already paid to HMRC and add this directly to the bursary appeal. If you are a higher rate UK tax payer at 40%, you can also reclaim additional tax refunds through your self-assessment forms annually.

This means that the actual cost of your donation could be considerably less than the actual sum donated, whilst The Abbey will receive 25% more than you actually donated - thanks to HMRC.

**Our purpose at The Abbey:
Inspiring, challenging and fulfilling
opportunities that equips them to live with
confidence and joy.**

sum of curricular and co-curricular activities. Our job is to find, encourage and harness our students' liveliness of mind and help that to develop as they go on to make a difference.

A critical element that underpins the texture of life at school and has direct implications for how we develop new interests and discover new passions.

enhanced equipment, an improved environment and new avenues of opportunity to apply, on behalf of their departments, for support from the Fund. This is about providing the conditions for learning to ensure our students go out into a changing world with the skills to make their part, but to guide and lead that change.

Reference that helps to change lives:

opportunities for students from a diverse range of backgrounds that are challenging

the culture of philanthropy at the School that allows generations of students to benefit from an empowering experience now that lasts throughout the course of their lives.

Monthly Donation	£20	£100	£1,000
Gift Aid claimed by The Abbey	£5	£25	£250
Value of Donation to The Abbey	£25	£125	£1250
Tax rebate for a 40% taxpayer	£5	£25	£250
NET cost to a 40% taxpayer	£15	£75	£750
Total Gift received over 12 months (including Gift Aid)	£300	£1500	£15,000
Total cost to Donor in one year	£180	£900	£9,000

Just imagine....

With a philanthropic levy on annual school fees of 2% (£500 with gift aid) as a contribution to the Transforming Lives Campaign we could raise £500,000 annually and **£2.5 million in revenue over 5 years!**

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