

## A Gift to the Future

Supporting  
Goodenough College  
through your Legacy



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# Preserving Goodenough College through your Legacy

In 1931, Frederick Craufurd Goodenough set out to improve international understanding and collaboration. He founded Goodenough College with a vision of an inclusive community of Commonwealth students, from different disciplines, cultures, and backgrounds, uniting in shared values and living under one roof.

Since that time the world has changed and the College has changed with it, but many things remain the same. We are now an international institution, welcoming students from the Commonwealth and across the globe.



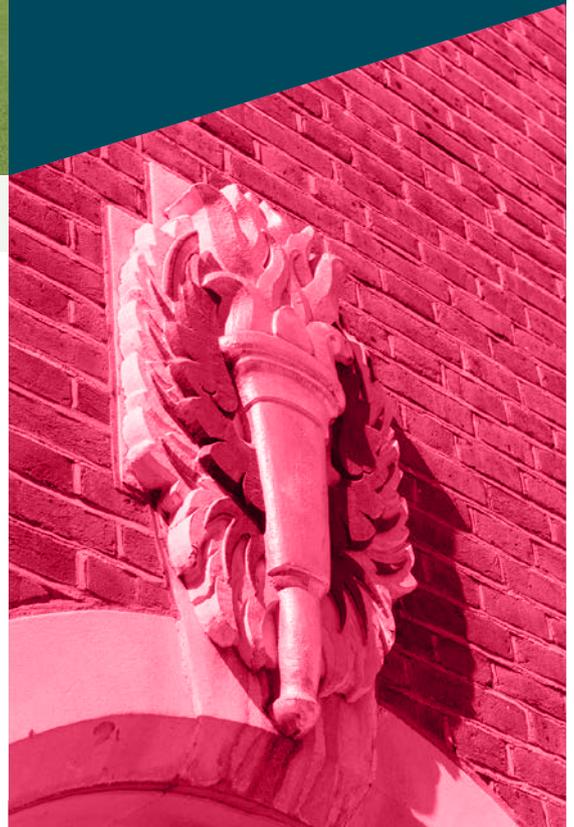
The College's core values of Tolerance, Respect, Understanding, Service and Togetherness are an integral part of the Goodenough experience.

We hope that by providing a safe and collaborative space that these ideas will flourish in the minds of our Members and stay with them throughout their lives. As Alumni, we hope that they will use them in mentoring the next generation, disseminate them in their own countries and beyond, and help us to keep the spirit of global endeavour alive.

As a supporter of Goodenough College we know that you share these same values and that you want to preserve the College as a place of understanding and tolerance for years to come.



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## Why leave a Legacy to the College?

In an increasingly fractured world, it has never been more important to provide a space where the best and brightest students can learn from each other, regardless of nationality or socio-economic background.

Leaving a gift in your Will is an incredibly effective way to ensure the longevity of the College and preserve all that it represents for generations to come. Notifying the Development team of your intention to leave a gift in your Will gives the College the financial security of knowing donations will be received in the future.

A gift in your Will to the College may well be the biggest donation you ever make, whether it is through donating a significant sum or a portion of your estate. Legacy gifts allow donors to make a tremendous difference without stretching their finances during their lifetime. You can live comfortably, content in the knowledge that, after you have provided for your friends and family, you will make a hugely significant and lasting impact on an organisation close to your heart.

Choosing to leave an unrestricted gift in your Will is a brilliant way to support the College as



it allows us to divert resources to the area of greatest need at the time your gift is received. This allows us to plan for all eventualities. While we do not know what the future holds, unrestricted gifts mean we can approach it with confidence.

Alternatively, you may elect to make a gift to an area that's important to you, for example: providing Scholarships and Bursaries to talented Scholars who wouldn't be able to continue their studies without financial help; protecting the College's historic estate; helping support The Burn, our academic retreat in Scotland; or supporting the Mecklenburgh Fund to ensure no student falls on hard times because of financial pressures.





## Remember your time at Goodenough?

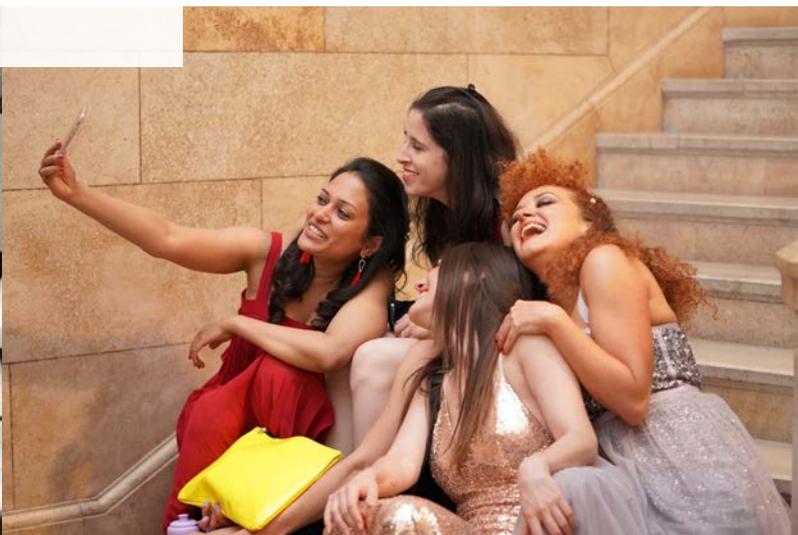
When Frederick Craufurd Goodenough founded our College, he was leaving a tremendous Legacy to those who were to live at the College over future years.

The warm memories you have of your days on the Square will certainly be diverse: furthering your studies in your 'home from home' in the heart of the city; the friendships made here; discussions over dinners in the Great Hall; the sports and social events; or maybe meeting your future partner. These and countless other special memories are all part of the

Goodenough experience that has enriched so many lives.

Goodenough's vision inspired his contemporaries to fund the creation of an exceptional collegiate environment, one in which the highest academic ambitions could be supported and nurtured.

Today, that same vision inspires support from our international community of supporters, helping to ensure the College and its ethos is sustained through the 21st century and beyond.



# The Goodenough community

**In 2012, 24-year-old Malebogo Tlhajoane from Botswana was awarded a Goodenough Scholarship while studying for an MSc in the control of infectious diseases at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine.**

*"When it comes to student accommodation in London, Goodenough College is unparalleled in terms of location, living environment, and the opportunities available to its Members. From Sunday mornings in the Chapel, to evenings swapping recipes in London House with fellow Members, the College provided me not only with a home, but a community.*

*Throughout my time at Goodenough, I learnt not only about the rich history of the College but also the importance of community that many other postgraduate halls lack. Living at*

*Goodenough College makes the experience of studying in London so much more enriching, particularly for international students like myself, having travelled far from home. Goodenough provided me with a sense of kinship and unity which ensured that I never felt isolated or alone whilst studying in London.*

*I have personally benefitted hugely from my Scholarship; I wouldn't have been able to study in London without it. It took away any worries about finding affordable accommodation in the city and meant I didn't have to work part-time, allowing me to focus fully on my studies."*

**Malebogo is now a post-doctoral research fellow at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, conducting research on infectious disease surveillance methods for HIV and COVID-19 in Sub-Saharan Africa.**



*"Living in Goodenough College is a transformative experience that lasts a lifetime. Those of us who had the benefit of living in Goodenough have a responsibility to ensure that the benefits are available for future generations.*

*We need to ensure that the quality of the experience is maintained and is open to those of limited means. Donations from Alumni play a critical role in meeting these objectives. Please join me in making a bequest to the College."*

**Professor Ross Williams, London House, 1965-69**



## Celebrating your Legacy The 1931 Society

If you have been kind enough to include Goodenough College in your Will, letting us know provides additional benefits to both yourself and the College.

If you pledge to leave a Legacy to the College, you will become a member of our 1931 Society. You will receive tailored communications outlining the impact of Legacy giving and insider-updates on the College. You will also be added to our priority invite list for exclusive events (both virtual and in-person).

As time progresses, we expect our Legacy programme to grow and develop and so too will the benefits of membership of the 1931 Society.

It is incredibly helpful for the College to know that you have made a gift in your Will. This gives the College a clearer picture of future income, providing a solid foundation on which future projects can be built.



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# Making and amending your Will

Leaving a gift to the College in your Will is a very straightforward process. Once you have provided for your loved ones, you can include a gift for the College using the suggested wording below.

There are many ways in which you can remember Goodenough College in your Will. Depending on where you live, tax benefits and estate planning vary considerably. We would always recommend discussing your plans with your legal or financial advisor to ensure your Legacy gift to the College is made effectively and reflects your wishes.

## Types of Will

Your Legacy gift can be structured in different ways

### Giving a share of your estate

A **Residuary Legacy** is the gift of all or a percentage of the net residue of your estate, after all specific legacies, debts, fees and other liabilities have been met. With this form of Legacy, you don't have to quantify the sum or worry about inflation when you draw up your Will. It also means you do not have to alter your pledge if your circumstances change.

### Making a gift of a sum of money

A **Pecuniary Legacy** allows you to give a specific sum of money to the College. The disadvantage of this form of gift is that the value could decrease with inflation unless it is index-linked, and it does not account for changes to your estate.

### Leaving property or valuables to the College

A **Specific Legacy** allows you to gift specific personal possessions such as property, stocks and shares, works of art or jewellery. Please consult us in advance if you are planning to leave the College a gift of this kind.

### Suggested wording

For a **Residuary Legacy**: "I give the whole (or a percentage share calculated before the deduction of any tax) of the residue of my estate to Goodenough College, Mecklenburgh Square, London WC1N 2AB, United Kingdom (Registered Charity Number 312894) to be used for its general charitable purposes, and declare that the receipt of the Director or other duly authorised officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executors."

For a **Pecuniary/Specific Legacy**: "I give the sum of £\_\_\_\_\_ (in figures and words) (or the item specified) to Goodenough College, Mecklenburgh Square, London WC1N 2AB, United Kingdom (Registered Charity Number 312894) to be used for its general charitable purposes, and declare that the receipt of the Director or other duly authorised officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executors."

### Amending your Will – leaving a gift by Codicil

If you have already made a Will, and simply wish to add a beneficiary to it, you can do so by means of a Codicil. We have created a Codicil with suggested wording which can be used by you or your solicitor to amend your existing Will to make a Legacy gift to Goodenough College.

Please visit the '[Giving in your Will](#)' page on our website to download the Codicil, or alternatively email us at [Development@Goodenough.ac.uk](mailto:Development@Goodenough.ac.uk) or call +44 (0)20 7837 8888 and ask to speak to the Development team.

If you would like to specifically leave a Legacy to The Burn please let a member of the Development team know.