



AYLESBURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Aylesburian Annual Fund



What is The Aylesburian Annual Fund?

Aylesbury Grammar School is over four hundred years old and whilst we are rightly proud of our history and our tradition of excellence, we also know we must look to the future.

Our vision is to build a school with facilities to support exceptional learning, a school to help our students ready themselves to face the demands of the 21st century and to be successful in whatever they choose to do.

In order to do this, we realise that we face significant financial challenges. The school has occupied its current site for over a century and has some rapidly deteriorating learning and teaching spaces. Many are not fit for learning in the modern world. This is where you come in.

The Aylesburian Annual Fund offers an opportunity for every parent, old boy, member of staff, governor and friend to support both current and future generations of students at AGS. Through regular giving, you can help us to realise projects that urgently need our attention and enrich the educational experience for every student at Aylesbury Grammar School.



Why do we need it?

We are an academy school and our annual operating costs are funded through central government. In recent years, our annual allocation per student has been decreasing in real terms (this year we have received an allocation of just £4451 per student). Public funding just about covers our basic operating costs through effective and efficient financial management.

This means that if we want to invest in our buildings, technology or curriculum enrichment, we have to look at additional outside sources to help, either in grants or individual gifts.

The Aylesburian Annual Fund enables us to make improvements to our school, and provide opportunities for our students, that would not be possible otherwise.



How can you help?

Every year, the Aylesburian Annual Fund will target one or more projects to enhance teaching, learning and achievement at AGS. This year, we are excited to be raising funds to refurbish some of the Maths classrooms and a further IT room.

Through the **Aylesburian Annual Fund** you have the option to give to this project, knowing that your gift, no matter how large or small, will benefit current students, as well as those in the future. Any contribution you decide to make is entirely voluntary and any amount will make a real difference. We understand that everyone has financial commitments and budgets of their own but please consider giving to this fund if you can.

Past projects the Aylesburian Annual Fund has helped fund...

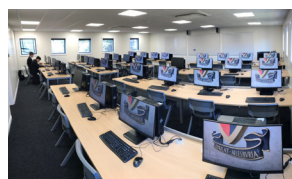
The Foundation Hall - Your support together with support from the Foundation and the PTA has helped create a wonderful hall that our students can be proud of. The Foundation Hall provides an impressive venue for a wide range of school events and benefits the needs of the wider school community.



Sport for all - Thanks to support from the Aylesburian Annual Fund and the PTA we have created a fully equipped health and fitness suite with high quality equipment in the Sports Hall annex.



Refurbishment of our IT Rooms - We have just completed the entire refurbishment of two IT Rooms including new computers. Again this was with support from our PTA.



Supporting the Hardship Fund

The Aylesburian Annual Fund continues to support our Hardship Fund. This helps financially disadvantaged students to benefit from opportunities at AGS they normally would not have access to.



Making a gift to The Aylesburian Annual Fund

The Aylesburian Annual Fund offers everyone in the AGS community the opportunity to support the school and make a lasting contribution to the lives of the students.

Using the form provided, you can choose to either support the refurbishment plans by ticking the Plans for Regeneration box, or you can simply allocate your support to Where the School Needs It Most.

We welcome regular gifts of any amount and many donors support the school on a regular basis by standing order. You can do this by completing the Standing Order Form. However, if you wish to set this up yourself, via internet or telephone banking, then please fill out the second part of the form. In either case, please return the form to us to help us plan accordingly.

To make a single gift of any amount, simply send a cheque made payable to Aylesbury Grammar School and send with your completed form.

If you are a UK taxpayer, the value of any gift you give (regular or one-off) can be increased by 25p for every £1 that you give at no extra cost to you. Just sign the Gift Aid Declaration on the form. If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can claim tax relief in your tax return and we would happily advise how this can be achieved.

Thank you...

We are so grateful to everyone who makes gifts to our school. Every contribution makes a real difference to the lives of AGS students. Our pledge is to keep you informed and up-to-date as to how your money directly benefits AGS students. Donors will, unless they request anonymity, be thanked and their name will be publicly acknowledged for major projects.

Thank you for your gift to the The Aylesburian Annual Fund. It will be both valued and appreciated.

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