



Queen Mary's Grammar School

Headmaster: R J Langton, M A

To Parents of Pupils in Y8-13

September 2024

Dear Parents

The QM Experience Fund

I hope that you have enjoyed a restful summer and that both you and your child has made a positive start to the new academic year. It is important to us that by the end of their time at Queen Mary's we have equipped them with the tools to face the future with confidence, including a strong academic portfolio. We have found, though, that it is not just exam results but also life experiences that shape young lives and opens doors. It is this 'QM experience' that sets us apart and makes our school such a rewarding place to work and study.

The School has many fine traditions dating back 470 years, including the embodiment of our School motto, *Quas dederis, solar semper habebis opes* which translates as 'It is what you give that you will keep as eternal riches'. Our hope is that you will consider giving to the QM Experience Fund to help us to help your child, and others, as he matures. Whether it is through sport, music, drama, language learning or one of the many other extra-curricular activities, we hope that your son will make the absolute most of the QM experience in his time with us.

We try our best to provide these activities through our school budget or at as low a cost as possible. However, our ambitions often go beyond this income and I am hoping that you will consider giving a regular amount to ensure that we can continue to offer a full range of activities. Prior to the Covid pandemic, we ran the 'Lift Fund' and I am grateful to those of you who supported this. Over the past few years, I have been very conscious of the national economic picture and have been cautious about approaching parents for support. However, I am grateful to those who have given what they can to the school and who have supported events through the Queen Mary's Association (QMA).

For the past two years, we have been fundraising towards the [Future Sport @ QMGS project](#): an ambitious initiative to revolutionise our facilities for the benefit of our students and the wider community. Any donations to the QM experience fund will initially go towards this, but will support a wide range of other opportunities once we have completed the project.

I hope that you will seriously consider making a regular payment to the QM Experience Fund. We are grateful for a regular contribution as it enables us to plan the best ways in which to support our young people. Please follow this [link](#) for details of how to set up a standing order to the donations account and a Gift Aid declaration which, if you are a UK taxpayer, will allow us to claim an additional 25% on top of your donations. Alternatively, if you would prefer you can make a one-off annual payment (£60) or termly payments (£20 per term), you can do this via Parent Mail. Please select the 'QM Experience' option.



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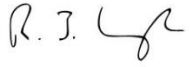
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I am very grateful for the support given to the school from parents. This enables us to provide extra opportunities that are not supported by Government grants. If you have any questions about the fund please contact me at the school, via enquiries@qmg.merciantrust.org.uk

I hope that you will join me in supporting the QM Experience Fund. *Thank you.*

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. J. Langton'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'L' at the end.

Richard Langton, Headmaster