

Queen Mary's Grammar School

Headmaster: R J Langton, M A

Queen Mary's Association Burns Night 25th January 2025

Dear parent

We are delighted to invite you to the next event in the Queen Mary's Association fundraising calendar: Burns Night. The event will take place on Saturday 25th January 2025 from 6.30pm until midnight.

Burns Night is an adult only, formal evening of first-class dining and live music. We also offer a casino experience and a raffle on the night, with all money raised going to support the work of the QMA, our parent's association. Burns Night always proves to be an enjoyable and entertaining event providing an opportunity for guests to socialise with family and friends, as well as to meet other parents and friends of the school.

Tickets are £45 per person and include a formal dinner, welcome drink and entertainment. Numbers will be limited, and tickets are selling fast, so we would recommend you buy yours as soon as possible via this Ticket source link.

As with each of the three annual QMA events, we will be holding a student raffle. Please support the fund-raising work of the QMA, by purchasing as many tickets as possible. They



are priced at £2 per ticket and are available via Parentmail, which has been set up to allow for multiple raffle tickets to be purchased, if required. You should already have received a prompt to buy through your Parentmail account and we will send out reminders nearer the time.

As usual, there will be a non-uniform day on Wednesday 22nd January, in exchange for a donation of £2 or the purchase of raffle tickets. £2 donations for non-uniform can also be made via your Parentmail account. We would also welcome any donations of prizes for the raffle. Please send these into main school Reception. The draw for the raffle will take place in the Community Assembly on Monday 27th January.



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The top prizes for the student raffle are as follows, with lots more to add!:

- Samsung Galaxy Tablet A9 + 5G
- I-pad
- Bicycle Voucher £450
- Walsall FC V Harrogate 6 People, executive box
- £100 Light Cinema Voucher
- Nandos 2 X £10 Vouchers

All of the money generated through sales of raffle tickets, the non-uniform day and profits from the Burns Night event, raise vital funds for the school which ultimately benefit many of your children. Previous fundraising events have enabled the school to purchase a minibus, erect outdoor cricket nets, install cricket covers and have recently facilitated a refurbishment of the Library. As in the past two years, the QMA are supporting the School's Future Sport@QMGS campaign. £15,000 was donated in the summer and we hope to match that this year across our QMA events. We hope that you can support the valuable work of the QMA by attending the QMA events and purchasing raffle tickets, so that we can continue to enrich our children's school experience.

If you have any questions about donating a prize or attending the evening please don't hesitate to contact us via alumni@qmgs.merciantrust.org.uk

Thank you in anticipation for your generosity in helping our event to be successful

Yours faithfully

Suzanna Butler Year 10 parent and Chair of Burns Committee Richard Langton Headmaster