



# Dame Allan's Legacy Circle



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# Leaving a Legacy - Your Gift for the Future

Dame Allan's Schools are constantly working to improve our offer to pupils by ensuring that able and interested young people can come to the Schools regardless of their ability to pay fees or of their family circumstances.

A gift in your will can help us to widen participation in line with the original endowment provided by Dame Eleanor Allan providing an education for 20 poor girls and 40 poor boys from the parishes of St Nicholas and St John in Newcastle upon Tyne.



## Laurie Wilson

I started at Dame Allan's Schools in 2003 when I was 11 years old and was a pupil until the end of Sixth Form. I received a full bursary for my entire time at the Schools, without which I would not have had the opportunity of such a first class education. I remember the first time I visited the Schools for an open day when I was still in primary school - I knew instantly that it was where I wanted to go. We were greeted with jam tarts made in Home Economics by the students, and everyone I met was very warm and welcoming! What stands out for me most about Dame Allan's is the feeling of community. I returned recently to take part in a Futures Fair careers event and that feeling has not changed. The friends I made at Dame Allan's are still my close friends to this day. I am now working as a Recruitment Consultant, having completed my BA in Politics and German at Lancaster University, and I have recently been accepted on to a Master's course at Durham University. I am very grateful for my bursary, without it I wouldn't be where I am today.

# First Class Facilities



*"Thanks to generous donations, our pupils now have access to the best modern technology in practical lessons on forces and motion; the ease with which they can pose questions and speed at which they can gather data has resulted in a much deeper understanding of the underlying physics, increased opportunities for practical work, and undoubtedly strengthened their enjoyment of the subject."*

Naomi McGough, Head of Physics

Dame Allan's Schools are committed to the improvement and development of facilities and to providing state of the art equipment to best enhance our pupils' learning experiences. A gift in your will could help us to provide

first class facilities across the curriculum. You can target subject areas which are of particular importance to you or leave it to the discretion of the Principal to be used in an area of greatest need.





New and improved facilities supported by philanthropic gifts in recent years.



*"A good education is transformational - it opens a window and allows a child to see what the world has to offer. Winning a scholarship to Dame Allan's did this for me, encouraging me to seek opportunities and challenges outside of the then very restricted culture of the North East. It led me to the London School of Economics and subsequently a global career. Leaving a legacy can also be transformational helping to ensure that tomorrow's children get the same opportunities whatever their backgrounds or financial circumstances. We owe it to them to help where we can."*

Bryan Sanderson CBE (1952 - 1959)

## Making a Gift in your Will

Including a charitable gift in your will is simple and donations like this can be truly transformational. The impact of this type of gift can be far reaching for future generations of young people who entrust us with their education. Indeed this support was a founding principle of the Schools in 1705, when Dame Eleanor Allan's endowment provided an education for 20 poor girls and 40 poor boys from the parishes of St Nicholas and St John in Newcastle upon Tyne.

## Why make a gift to Dame Allan's Schools?

For many it is a way of saying thank you. For others it is an opportunity to invest in areas of interest that are precious to them or in support of the future development of the Schools. Others wish to support current students who might otherwise struggle financially.

## What could your gift support?

Gifts may be used to support the Schools in many ways.

- A gift to be used at the discretion of the Principal for an area of greatest need in support of the Schools' activities or development;
- Widening participation to ensure that talented students can have a Dame Allan's Schools' education regardless of their ability to pay or their family circumstances;
- A gift to be directed to areas of the Schools which specifically reflect your own special interests, memories or passions.

Please contact us to discuss your gift intentions so we can ensure we meet your wishes.

Whatever your intentions, you can be assured that your contribution will make a significant impact.

*"A good education is the key to a world of opportunities. It inspires curiosity and interest, lays the foundations for future learning and personal growth, and empowers life choices. I think we owe it to future generations to spread these opportunities as widely as possible."*

Brenda Soden (1966 - 1973)





*“Technology is an essential component in answering some of the world’s most difficult problems. Educating students with current and relevant equipment may be costly; but it's essential if we are going to do it right.”* Scott Sweeney, Head of Design and Technology

## Types of Gifts

There are four popular types of gift you can make in your will.

- A pecuniary gift is generally the simplest form of legacy. It allows you to leave a specific sum of money to a specific beneficiary. The gift can be a defined figure that does not change with time or you may instruct your trustees to take account of inflation.
- A residuary gift relates to part or all of the residual value of your estate once all debts, fees and any pecuniary legacies have been paid.
- A reversionary legacy - this gift has the advantage of providing for your family first throughout their lifetime and then benefiting the Schools. Therefore when the original beneficiary dies, the gift in your will reverts to Dame Allan's Schools. For example, interest earned on an investment is paid to your family but, later, the capital itself passes to the Schools.
- A specific legacy - this is the gift of something valuable like property, a piece of jewellery or stocks and shares. The form of wording used is the same as a monetary legacy, except that the item is specified instead of a cash sum.



*“I am very grateful for the education provided to me by a scholarship to Dame Allan's Schools which, through university, obtained me valuable and sometimes truly fascinating employment in medical science, healthcare and information technology.*

*One of the values passed to me by my parents was that if you derive benefit from some organisation or activity, you should contribute something in return when you can. This could include a school, college, youth organisation, faith group or sporting club.*

*I am pleased and proud to support the Dame Allan's Legacy Circle and I would encourage any of you, in a similar position, to do the same if possible.”*

Graham Watson (1968 - 1975)

### Information to help you update your will

You can make simple alterations to your will through a simple form called a Codicil. The completed form confirms your original will but also adds to it. So it is particularly useful if you are making a gift to Dame Allan's Schools or to any other charity.

**Whichever type of legacy gift you choose, you should consult your solicitor or legal advisor before drafting a new will or adding to an existing will.**

### Tax Benefits

Please note that as an educational institution, Dame Allan's Schools is an exempt charity. Gifts are therefore exempt from UK inheritance tax. This means a gift to Dame Allan's Schools in your will might significantly reduce the tax liability on your estate.

If you wish to find out more about making a gift in your will or other ways of giving, you can

discuss your gift intentions confidentially by contacting [alumnirelations@dameallans.co.uk](mailto:alumnirelations@dameallans.co.uk) or telephone the school on 0191 275 1500 to contact the Schools' Development Office.

### Dame Allan's Legacy Circle

If you decide to make a gift to Dame Allan's Schools through your will we would invite you to join our Dame Allan's Legacy Circle which allows us to recognise your gift during your lifetime and to ensure that you are kept updated on developments at the Schools.

A legacy form is attached for you to complete. The form is not a legal document and if your circumstances change there is no legal requirement to honour what you have stated. You are not obligated to state how much you are intending to give but it is useful for the School to understand what level of funding may be available at some point in the future.

Thank you for considering this type of support for Dame Allan's Schools.

*"Making a bequest in your will can make a real difference, building upon the founding principle of the Schools in 1705 which was supported by Dame Eleanor Allan's endowment. A legacy gift can provide enhanced facilities and opportunities for future pupils of Dame Allan's Schools. We hope that we can welcome you as a member of the Dame Allan's Legacy Circle."*

Brian Adcock, Chairman of Governors  
(1961 - 1969)



## Dame Allan's Gift Form

### Dame Allan's Legacy Circle

Title ..... First Name.....  
Surname .....  
Address.....  
..... Post Code.....  
Telephone..... Email.....

### Legacy Gift

I intend to make a gift in my will of £  to the benefit of Dame Allan's Schools ("the Schools")

(It is not obligatory to state a sum but is helpful for the school in planning for the longer term)

I would like the gift to be used for the following purpose/s:-

(Please use the additional information section overleaf if necessary)

Signature..... Date .....

This is not a legally binding document but a statement of intent

Please return the completed form to:  
Jane Cluble, Development Director, Dame Allan's Schools, Fowberry Crescent, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 9YJ

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## Additional Information

