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**2016 marks the 170th anniversary of the foundation of Hatfield College. For all those fortunate enough to have worked and studied here, this is a momentous milestone, and, of course, a time for celebration and reflection. At this time we consider the College's impressive history and we reflect on how much we owe to this beloved institution. With this in mind, we must act as stewards in order to safeguard the future of the College in an ever changing world, and look inward to discover what we might do as individuals to secure the College's bright future.**

The Hatfield Trust has an essential role in establishing an expectation of excellence within the College. Since its establishment in 1987, the Trust's main aim has been to provide financial support for the College community. In this period an endowment fund has been built up, the interest from which contributes towards prizes, bursaries, and grants to enable our students to 'be the best that they can be', in their academic studies and their extracurricular activities. In order to continue the valuable work of the Trust we look to alumni, parent members, and friends of the College.

As we prepare for our 170th anniversary celebrations, we must to continue to increase our resources so that we may reach and benefit as many of our students as possible. The first step to realising this objective is the launch of the Hatfield College 1846 campaign, with the ambition of raising £200,000 by 2016.



## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

### **Furthering Academic Excellence:**

To increase support available for undergraduate and postgraduate students undertaking travel or fieldwork for academic purposes, and to provide an environment conducive to the exercise of interdisciplinary intellectual curiosity.

### **Enhancing the Student Experience:**

To provide and maintain enhanced facilities for our students, and to support and facilitate the development of College clubs and societies, so that our students can continue to compete at a high level. In addition, we aim to contribute to the renovation of Jevons, make the vision of a regenerated College Bar and multi-purpose social space a reality

### **Strengthening Endowment:**

To help provide the College with the financial health to meet new challenges as they arise and, in the longer term, to ensure more students have access to hardship funding and financial support from the Trust.



## FURTHERING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Hatfield endeavours to recognise and reward excellence at every level, and the Trust offers a wide range of scholarships, bursaries, and prizes to students. These are awarded annually to those Hatfielders who have made their mark, or shown great potential, in their field of study. The majority of the scholarships, bursaries, and prizes on offer are available only due to the generous contributions of alumni and their families. In order to continue this tradition of College scholarships and monetary awards, we rely on the continued generosity of alumni and parents .

One of our salient ambitions is to increase the reach of our grant and bursary schemes, so that we might empower more of our students by recognising and rewarding their contributions to their field.

*“The Hatfield Trust funded a research trip to Florence where I consulted the archives of the OECD, which was crucial in contributing to the archival base for my doctoral thesis. In addition to funding, the interdisciplinary environment created and nurtured by the College community has been of great value as I have been developing my ideas.*

Matthew Wright, PhD candidate and Hatfield MCR Research Officer 2012-2014





## ENHANCING COLLEGE LIFE

The Hatfield Trust is a keen supporter of student development at every level. The Trust has supported several of the College's music societies which have gone on to perform on a national and international stage, going above and beyond even our high expectations. The Women's VIII from HCBC in 2014 placed 53rd at WEHoRR on the Thames, outperforming over 250 other clubs internationally, and becoming the fastest College crew in the country. The Trust did much to support this crew, and supplied the Boat Club with £18,000 in order to finance the purchase of a new boat.

Most recently, the College's Lion Theatre Company were supported by a £2000 grant enabling them to perform at the world-renowned Edinburgh Fringe Festival. This grant funds to perform their original world to a sold-out venue on the Royal Mile. This once in a lifetime opportunity was made possible only through the generous support of the Hatfield Trust.

*"The Hatfield Trust has contributed massively towards Hatfield College Boat Club. Their generosity has really added the experience and successes of our novice and senior crews."*

Alex Dent, President of Hatfield College Boat Club





## STRENGTHENING THE ENDOWMENT

In order to maintain this level of support to current and future generations of Hatfielders, we rely on the continued generosity of parents and alumni. Hatfield owes its position in the top tier of Durham colleges to the emotional and financial investment of countless donors and benefactors. The endowment that has been built over the past 170 years has allowed the College to maintain and improve its impressive estate and to offer peerless opportunities for personal development for our excellent students. Like our students, we are constantly striving to 'be the best that we can be', and, therefore, we are now looking to increase the College's endowment in order to provide such opportunities to future generations of Hatfielders. At this exciting time in the lives of your children, we look to you as parents of the newest generation of Hatfielders to join us and become the newest stewards of our College — now *your* College, as well.





## MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER

The Hatfield Trust was set up in 1987 to support student activities and the future of Hatfield College in general. Several million pounds have been raised over the years: the capital fund now stands at around £1 million and we use interest from that sum, plus regular revenue income, to support a broad range of student activities. Usually, the Trust spends about £50,000 each year on supporting the College but this can be more when there are special projects to complete; for example, resurfacing the tennis court, acquiring a new piano or buying a new rowing VIII.

All Hatfielders, past and present, support the Hatfield Trust and we have always made a point of inviting parents to do so, too. Parental donations continue to be an important source of income and what you give immediately gets back to the current students, whether it is to support travel, buy equipment for sports clubs and musical societies, support tours, or reward academic achievement with scholarships. Your donations will directly impact on the student community at Hatfield College. We ask everyone for a modest donation, but, of course, you are welcome to give more! The important point is that many small gifts add up to a large sum: that has always been the basis of fundraising by the Trust.

We make sure that every Hatfield student knows about the Hatfield Trust and we do the same for parents. I hope you will feel able to support this vital element of our College life. Thank you for reading this letter and I look forward to meeting you on Freshers' Sunday.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Burt

Professor T. P Burt, DSC, FAGU, FBSG, FRGS Master



## WAYS OF GIVING

We are always extremely grateful for all gifts donated to the Hatfield Trust especially to all parents who kindly donated over the summer months. There are a number of ways you can donate to the college to maximise the efficiency of your gift. You may wish to consider making

- a single gift by cheque or credit card
- or a regular gift by Direct Debit

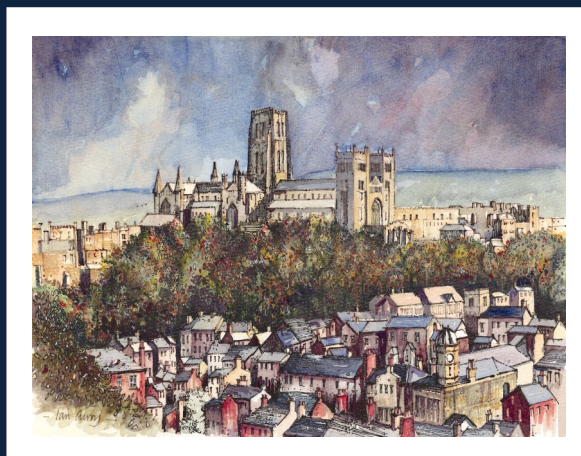
If you would like to support the College at this time, there is a donation form within this packet with a free post envelope. If you would like to join our Friends of Hatfield mailing list to keep up to date with College please email [hatfield.development@durham.ac.uk](mailto:hatfield.development@durham.ac.uk)

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