

## Keep in touch with the Development Office – and join the OGA

### Keep in touch

To ensure you receive your copy of the Alumnae newsletter, please make sure the Development Office has your up to date mailing address.

Contact us with your news, and let us know about King's High Alumnae who are not currently on our newsletter mailing list.

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### Join us in the OGA

Life membership costs £30, and entitles you to receive the OGA's annual notice every year for the rest of your life, plus one Ilex, plus news of your friends and contemporaries, and also information about our regular social events.

Many pupils join at the end of Year 11, but if you are past school age you are welcome to join us at any time.

If you are not currently a member of the OGA and would like to join, please write to **Mrs Polly Beidas** (OGA Secretary) c/o the school or via email on [secoga@sky.com](mailto:secoga@sky.com)



## King's High – a Community for Life

Keeping in touch – Reuniting lost friends – Forming networking opportunities

## The King's High Development Office – a school-based resource

### Role

The King's High Development Office is the link between school life and beyond. We are here to wish you luck when you leave us, to keep in touch with you as you enter the next phase of your life, and to welcome you back to school for a visit in the future.

### Alumnae Database

Our ever expanding database of King's High Alumnae and former members of staff is a valuable resource for reuniting lost friends, and amounts to several thousand contacts. You can contact the Development Office to help you:

- track down old friends from your year group,
- find out if there are any Alumnae living in your area (especially useful if you have just relocated within the UK or abroad),
- discover whether any Alumnae work in your chosen profession, and whether they may be able to offer you valuable information and advice.

(Please be assured that we will never pass on your personal details to anyone without your prior approval).

### Events

Working closely with the Old Girls' Association (OGA), we also run a programme of events and reunions throughout the year, including an annual Decade Day held in school.

### Newsletter

The Development Office publishes a newsletter twice yearly, which is sent out to all Alumnae and former members of staff on our database. This includes reviews of past events, promotes forthcoming events, highlights relevant school news, and celebrates the achievements of our Alumnae. Items from the School Archive are featured, together with appeals to track down lost Alumnae, in conjunction with the OGA.

## The OGA – an organisation administered by old girls

Whether you're waiting for your 'A' level results, or for your telegram from the Queen, there is someone in the Old Girls' Association who remembers you. Did you salute the flag on Empire Day with Miss Edghill, or watch the Mesdames Surber and Russell perform their ballet routine? Whichever it was, there were girls that stood with you, girls with whom you may have lost touch. Do you remember listening to news of the General Strike on the crystal set, or to tales of woe about the credit crunch on a podcast? Has life taken you to a remote Pacific island, or to a house round the corner from Smith Street? Whichever category you belong to, there is someone in the OGA who'd love to hear from you.

The OGA is all about staying in touch, or becoming reacquainted, with those who were with you throughout your formative years, as you gossiped and worried together about your homework, your boyfriends, your driving test and/or your university entrance.

We organise social gatherings, including an Annual Lunch or Dinner in the spring. We also work with the school Development Office to plan the annual Decade Day.

All OGA members receive an annual notice, brimming with news about your old friends and contemporaries – and the worthy body of ladies (and gentlemen!) who taught you.

Do you want to organise a reunion to celebrate your tenth, or even seventieth, anniversary since leaving school, or your joint 30th, 40th or 90th birthdays? The OGA can help you round up the old gang, reuniting people you haven't seen since the school bus chugged away from Landor all those years ago.

So if you're:

- a recent leaver
- on your gap year
- studying at university
- just starting your first job
- progressing in your career or thinking of a career change
- enjoying marriage and motherhood, or the single life
- dreaming of retirement
- enjoying post-work freedom and a bus pass
- proud of your grandchildren (or even great-grandchildren)

then the OGA is for you!

