



Study tea, c1930s

A Legacy for the Future



## Roedean School - your legacy

Roedean was originally founded to prepare girls for entry to the University of Cambridge, so our raison d'être has always been academic achievement as part of a well-rounded education. In recent years, Roedean has enjoyed a remarkable period of progress and success. We are working to ensure that we are equipping the girls with the skills they need for successful, fulfilling careers and to become proactive and responsible members of society.

We believe it is important to share the education we offer with pupils who are the brightest and the best but who, without bursaries, could not benefit from a Roedean education and fulfil their potential. A legacy gift from you (large or small) will help make that possible for future generations.

Oliver Blond, Headmaster

# Our request to you

Many people use their Wills as a way to provide for the people that are most important to them, to help causes they support and to acknowledge the influences that have shaped their lives. We are asking for support from Old Roedeanians and friends of Roedean who can look back at their school with pride and gratitude for a great start in life.



#### Development at Roedean

Our key projects in recent years have been to invest in academic staff and standards, to renovate the boarding houses, provide many more supported places to local girls, and to transform Keswick (JH) Hall. The refurbishment of the boarding houses was one of the most significant projects in the independent schools' sector. It has benefited the school enormously in terms of marketing and admissions, as well as, more importantly, ensuring our girls can relax and enjoy a modern and pleasant living environment. These improvements have highlighted the importance of ensuring that Roedean has the resources and facilities to enable our students to fulfil their potential for generations to come. This has spurred us on to seek to ensure that Roedean

continues to offer the very best for the girls. Central to this task is a request to our Roedeanian community to consider making a bequest to Roedean in their Will.

You may specify in your Will that you would prefer your bequest to be spent on bursaries or a capital project or perhaps an activity area such as sport or music. If you do not specify the purpose of your gift, the Charity Trustees will use their discretion to apply it where it is most needed, and our role is to ensure your bequest is carefully stewarded to leave a lasting legacy at Roedean School.

Anne Whitaker, Chair of Council

### Significant **Development Projects**

1905

1905

The Chapel

Foundation

Stone laid

1908

1907

opened

1896-2017

1897

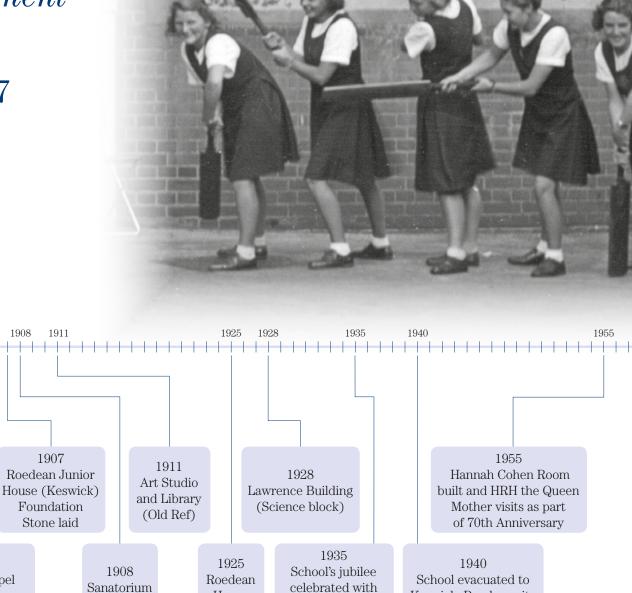
1897

Foundation

Stone for

Roedean

School laid



visit by HRH

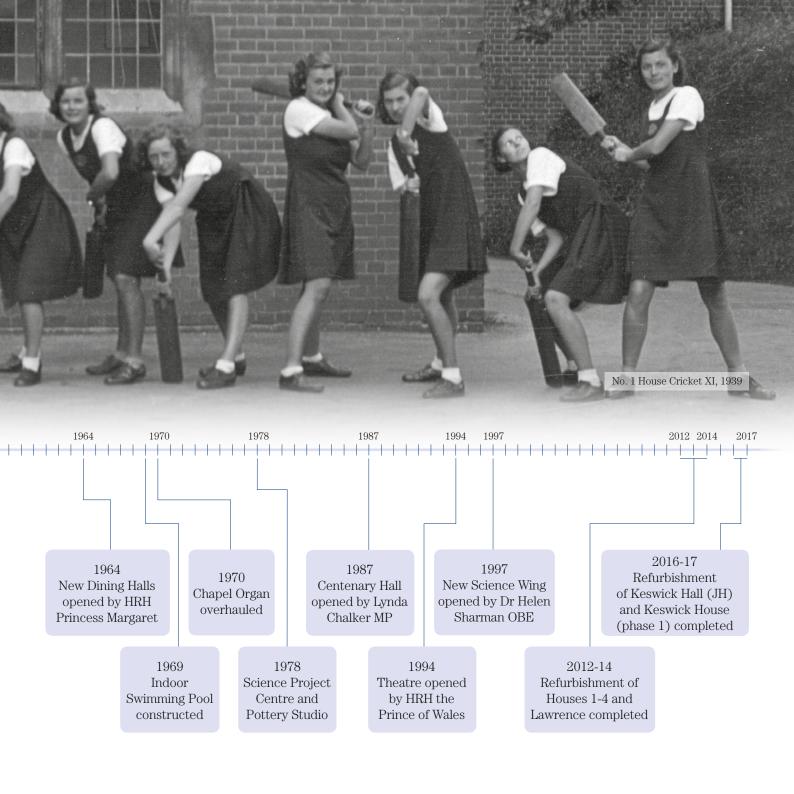
Princess Alice

House

build

Keswick. Roedean site

becomes HMS Vernon



#### What now?

We appreciate that not everyone is in a position to make a significant gift to Roedean School in their lifetime. However, legacy giving offers an opportunity to make a charitable gift in your Will: a gift that has no cost to you during your lifetime and one that does not affect your ability to take care of your loved ones. To leave a gift, simply instruct your solicitor but please also let us know of your intention to leave a legacy to Roedean School.

You can do this by completing and returning the enclosed legacy notification form. We can record your intentions, express our appreciation and offer you membership of the Lawrence Society (indication of your intentions has no legal status whatsoever). In order to set up a bequest, you will need the following information:

Roedean School Roedean Way Brighton BN2 5RQ

Charity Number: 307063

#### Important info

As a charity, a legacy or bequest to Roedean School is exempt from Inheritance Tax, thus reducing your potential liability. The latest legislative details and advice should always be obtained from your professional adviser.





#### Why make a bequest? The Lawrence Society

The original school and additions to the buildings have been dependent on the careful management of net income and the generosity of donors. Roedean School is an educational charity and works hard to keep school fees at a reasonable level. This income is used to cover the school's operational running costs and, because we are trying to maintain fees at a competitive level, there are limited reserves available to enhance students' experiences, ensure the upkeep of our historic buildings or provide the much needed capital injection to improve the school facilities and to ensure that generations of pupils can continue to benefit from a Roedean education. We are most grateful to all Old Roedeanians who have responded to our previous fundraising appeals and for the tremendous support from our broad Roedeanian community.

The Lawrence Society has been established to facilitate bequests to the school and to recognise and thank those who signal their wish to make a legacy pledge to the school. Regardless of the amount pledged, all those including Roedean School in their Will, will be invited to an annual event to thank them for their generous support.

"As a society member, I want to ensure that Roedean continues to be a very fine school for girls in the difficult years which certainly lie ahead. Roedean has a fine history and must face the future with confidence."

Founding Society member, 2013

#### Legacy Pledge

It would help us plan for the future and allow us to say thank you personally if you feel able to tell us if you have made, or intend to make, a provision for Roedean in your Will.

(This form is not legally binding and we will ensure it remains confidential).

Please return the form to:

Mark Taylor Development Office Roedean School Roedean Way Brighton BN2 5RQ

I have included/intend to include a gift to Roedean School in my Will.
Details of gift (optional)
Name
Name
Address
Phone
Email
House and dates or connection to the school
I would like my legacy to be used for:
$\square$ Discretion of the school
☐ Bursaries ☐ Capital projects
☐ Other (please note)
Signature
Date

#### A notable donation

In 2016 Roedean received a generous legacy from Josephine Lloyd (No 2, 1945-49) who lived in Compton near Winchester. On leaving Roedean she took a secretarial course before spending most of her working life at Winchester College. Josephine was an animal lover and a keen and knowledgeable gardener. In her retirement she worked as a volunteer for the National Trust at Mottisfont and as a steward at the Windsor Horse Show and the Windsor Carriage Driving Society. Josephine travelled widely and sang for the Winchester College Choir. Friends described her as an intelligent, self-sufficient, interesting and independent person who often spoke fondly of her happy years at Roedean.

















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