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Dear Old Monmothian,

You may be aware that over the past few years Monmouth School has been extremely fortunate to receive a number of bequests through the wills of former pupils and staff and in line with major Schools across the country we have started the 1614 Society (the legacy society for Monmouth School) to thank, in their lifetime, those who have made provision for Monmouth School in their will.

In this our 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year it seems appropriate to think once again about William Jones's legacy and the lessons we can all learn from his generosity. In the Haberdashers' Golden Lecture, given this year at the service of thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral, the Right Rev Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark reminded those present that 'William Jones's greatest legacy are the pupils here today. The leaving of money by William Jones, to people he would never know or meet, is an example of working for the greater good'.

The responsibility of using gifts donated in this way is one that the Governors and the Senior Management of the school take very seriously. The donation of money or property to Monmouth is a statement by the donor of the part the School has played in his life and the part the donor would like to play in the lives of future generations.

When the School receives a gift of money, property or shares it is often without prior notice and without instructions as to how the donor had intended their gift to be used. If you are considering or have already made provision for Monmouth School in your will we would appreciate knowing your intentions and to have a record here of how you wish your legacy to be used.

In remembering Monmouth School in your will the tradition of giving lives on. The endowment set up using William Jones's legacy still helps boys access a Monmouth School education today. Whether you choose to support Bursaries or Buildings; whether your legacy is large or small, it will be well used.

Enclosed you will find a copy of our new legacy leaflet which I hope you will find useful. If you wish to discuss your intended gift, we invite you to contact the School's Development Director, Mrs Clare Anning in the first instance and we will then make arrangements to visit you in your own home or entertain you at school, whichever you prefer.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Clare Anning  
Development Director