

The James Gillespie's Trust



Working on behalf
of the pupils and
community of
James Gillespie's
High School,
Edinburgh

"It's a good school. It sets you up for life; it
always provided a modern education."
Miss Alison Laidlaw (attended 1914-1927)

"Gillespie's was terrific! It found the best in
me and made it even better!"
Lucy Fagan (attended 2003-2005)

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Welcome to The James Gillespie's Trust

The Trust provides funding for pupils who need financial help to attend school trips, seed funds extra curricular activities, manages an oral history project and supports existing school programmes, which are not financed by the City of Edinburgh Council, like the building of an oral history library and other major projects.

Visit our website at www.jamesgillespiestrust.com to see more of the work we do for the pupils of the school, both past and present.



Volunteering

- There is a part time Volunteer Development Officer and administrative assistants. All of the Trustees are volunteers.
- The Trust wishes to play a key role in facilitating or arranging various events e.g. alumni dinners, class reunions and celebrations etc. We need volunteers to assist us with these events.
- Our archive work on the history of the school and its former pupils provides a fascinating insight into past times. We need volunteers to help index the archive documents and help record our history.
- The Trust is looking for individuals with significant skills in accountancy, information technology as well as website and database management to become involved in our work.
- If you are interested in volunteering for us and could offer your time and expertise, we would be very pleased to hear from you.

We need financial support for our work

If you are interested in the work of the Trust, you could make an annual donation and enjoy the following benefits:

- Our regular school newsletters, providing event information, news, views and stories. We would also welcome your contributions.
- Invitations to school events, details of performances and the chance to book tickets.
- Former pupils' social events and get-togethers.
- Volunteering opportunities, including working in our archives, helping us with education events and project work.
- The chance to meet staff and former pupils. Say 'hello' to the School and find out more about us.

We do receive grants and funding from other sources but it is the public donations that allow us to continue our important work for the pupils and community of James Gillespie's High School.

We suggest the following annual levels of support, which will enable us to continue our work and to develop and grow.

- £20 will allow us to support less well-off families to send their children on day trips.
- £50 will pay for additional IT programmes and oral history archive work.
- £100 will support our small grants scheme, for our young entrepreneurs.
- £250 or more will help us with our major projects involving the development of a unique oral history library and archive.

These are suggested levels of gift and we would like to stress that all donations, no matter how small, are very gratefully received.

Thank you for your support

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Please fill in both sides of the form and return it to:

The Development Officer
The James Gillespie's Trust
James Gillespie's High School
1 Lauderdale Street
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If you would like to make a donation, please consider Gift Aiding it!

I would like to make a donation to the James Gillespie's Trust

I enclose a cheque made payable to 'The James Gillespie's Trust' for £



Using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, we get an extra 28 pence from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation go further.

Gift Aid Declaration

If you would like to treat this and all subsequent donations you may make as a Gift Aid donation, tick here

Note: You must be a UK taxpayer and be paying an amount of income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax we reclaim on your donations (currently 28p for each £1 you give). Please notify us if your circumstances change and this is no longer the case. If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return.

Signature _____

Date _____

James Gillespie's Trust mailing list.

Please fill in your details for our database.
We will not pass your details to any other organisation or individual without your express permission.

When the form is complete, please send it to the address on the reverse.

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr/Lady/other _____

Surname _____

Forename/s _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Daytime Tel _____

Mobile Tel _____

E-mail _____

Maiden name (if applicable) _____

Years you attended JGHS (staff or pupil) _____

Do you have school memorabilia (such as photos, uniform, certificates or any other items of interest) that you might consider lending us for exhibitions?
If so, what do you have?

It would help us if you would let us know how you found out about the Trust (please indicate below)

Word of mouth Event Friend Library

Leaflet from public place Other (please specify)

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The vibrant and multicultural James Gillespie's High School celebrated its Bicentenary in 2003. Over the years, it has undoubtedly changed but academic excellence and student achievement are as important now as they have ever been.

The James Gillespie's Trust aims to support the school in its achievements and to foster strong links between the school, the community and the alumni. The Trust wishes to harness the tremendous goodwill that is felt for James Gillespie's High School and to support the work of the school through various educational and community schemes. The Trust is very proud of the splendid heritage of James Gillespie's and with Heritage Lottery funding, established a unique oral history 'Living Stories' project to capture the tales of our alumni for posterity.

The Trust will join forces with the school and community to promote and encourage excellence in all aspects of school life and we simply ask you to help us in any way you can.

Benefits of involvement with the Trust include:

- school newsletters
- information and early booking at school events
- social events with Trustees and former pupils
- volunteering opportunities
- school visits
- the knowledge that you are supporting James Gillespie's High School and
- helping to maintain the School's history and heritage.

We invite you to join our mailing list. Please contact us.

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