



FOUNDATION NEWS

RATCLIFFE COLLEGE FOUNDATION | SUMMER 2022

The Ratcliffe College Foundation exists within the College, and works alongside the Ratcliffian Association, to maintain strong links with past students, parents and friends of the College.

Our aim is to provide fundraising to assist the growth and development of Ratcliffe College, keeping it at the forefront of independent Catholic education in the UK.

Welcome to the Summer 2022 Edition of Foundation News

I am thrilled to share with you the fantastic news regarding your fundraising efforts this year, raising money to improve the opportunities for our current students, money to support bursaries for future Ratcliffians, and money to help those fleeing the crisis in Ukraine.

This year's annual fundraising appeal, 'Supporting Big Ideas', has so far raised £37,568 with a focus on supporting mid-sized projects within school, enabling projects to go ahead sooner than they might otherwise, benefitting current students in a direct and more immediate way.

I would like to thank all the parents, staff and alumni who have generously supported this appeal and, in particular, I would like to thank the Parents' Association, who have generously supported the appeal with a significant donation. Importantly, the appeal continues to raise money for our Bursary Fund and has so far helped to raise a further £9,600 specifically for this important cause (£93,303 raised for Bursaries so far YTD).

Your generous donations will allow the College to undertake a number of mid-sized projects over the coming months, including refurbishing the Recording Studio for the benefit of the Music and Media Studies students; to provide a new floor for the Theatre stage; and to provide an outdoor classroom space with environmental monitors for the Nursery and Prep School students.



Thanks to a fantastic response from parents, staff and Old Ratcliffians, the Ukrainian Crisis Appeal reached its target of £40,000, thanks, in part, to the promise from one of our generous Old Ratcliffians who matched the first £20,000 raised. We then received the incredible news that a local company, owned by one of our parents, had generously offered to double that amount, taking the total to an incredible £80,000.

With this additional funding, we can now reach out to more Ukrainian families with school-age children, providing much-needed support with their re-location, food and secure accommodation over the next couple of years and, potentially education here at Ratcliffe, helping them to settle into a safer life in the local area.

To everyone who has made a contribution to our appeals this year...

...A big thank you,

Andrew Yell
Foundation Director



175th Anniversary Summer Ball

Saturday 2nd July 2022

We hope that you will be able to join us in what promises to be a night full of fun and festivities, and the perfect way to celebrate the College's 175th Anniversary.

Tickets are priced at **£85** each and include: welcome drink, 3-course dinner, half a bottle of wine, live music and dancing.

Tickets - for details about the evening and to book tickets please use the following URL link: <https://www.ratcliffianassociation.co.uk/e/summerball>

All money raised from the Summer Ball will support our appeal for the exciting new climbing/bouldering wall (see overleaf).

Sponsorship from £250 - if you would like to support our fundraising through your company then please contact us on foundation@ratcliffecollege.com or 01509 817597.

Scan the barcode or visit the web page to book your tickets



SUPPORTING BIG IDEAS



Rugby Scrum Machine - Training Sled

£ 2000

Our rugby teams desperately need a modern new scrum machine (sled) to replace the current very old one.

Fundraising required £2,000
Amount still needed £1,600

£ 400

£ 0



Automated Video for Fixtures and Training Sessions

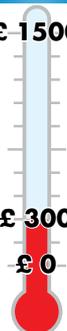
Many of our sports teams, together with our academic PE students, would benefit from a fully automated video camera, with 180° view and AI technology to record fixtures and training sessions, to help them analyse and improve their performance.

Fundraising required £1,500
Amount still needed £1,200

£ 1500

£ 300

£ 0



If you haven't made a donation to the appeal and would like to support one of the projects detailed above, please either complete and return the donation form or visit www.RatcliffeCollege.com/foundation

Climbing/Bouldering Wall

(exciting new fundraising appeal project)

Here at Ratcliffe, we are passionate about our students reaching new heights, challenging themselves both physically and mentally and developing their whole person to be strong in body, mind and spirit.

That is why we want your help to purchase a bouldering wall that will be a huge addition to our ever-expanding PE, Sport and Co-Curricular programmes here at Ratcliffe in both the Prep and Senior school.

Climbing provides every individual, regardless of age or gender, with the ultimate challenge and a bouldering wall would be a fantastic facility for all our children helping them to learn new skills, solve problems and to build self-confidence.



HANG ON THERE!

In order to install a 13m wide x 2.5m high bouldering wall for September 2022, we need to raise £20,000 before the end of term.

If you would like to make this happen, and help us to get a bouldering wall for our students, then please contact us directly, or make a donation using the form opposite.

Money raised from the Summer Ball will also go towards supporting this exciting appeal project.

Why Fundraising is Important

As I look around our College campus, I am constantly reminded of the many and varied improvements to our facilities that have been provided by previous fundraising appeals, generously supported by parents and Old Ratcliffians over the years; the Prep School, the Fitness Suite, Music Hall, Sports Hall and all-weather hockey pitch to name but a few.

The fact is that the current level of school fee income covers the cost of running the College, including teaching resources, salaries, utilities, catering, cleaning, repairs, events and security, however it does not allow for investment in all the enhancements that we want to see at Ratcliffe for our students, nor does it supplement the bursarial support we wish to extend within the wider community.

That is why I ask parents, OR's and friends of the College, if you find yourself in a position that means you can afford to make a gift or an annual donation to the Foundation, to please consider doing so now. Your generosity will help to maintain the rich history of giving that has enabled Ratcliffe to grow into the outstanding school it is today, and which we wish to perpetuate for future generations of Ratcliffians.





RATCLIFFE COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Name:

Address:



Email:

Tel:

Gift Aid

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Yes, I would like to increase my donations by 25%

I am a UK taxpayer and wish Ratcliffe College to treat all donations I make on, or after the date of this declaration, as Gift Aid donations. I understand that if I pay less Income and / or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in the relevant tax year, it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Please notify Ratcliffe College if you: want to cancel this declaration; change your name or address; no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

Signed:

Date:

Please use my gift for:

- Unrestricted
- School Projects
- Bursaries
- Other _____

Regular Giving

I would like to give: £10 £20 £50 Other _____

Frequency: Monthly Quarterly Annually

Commencing on and continuing until further notice / for _____ years.

Account holder

Account number

Sort code - -

Name and address of bank/building society

Instructions to my bank/building society
Please deduct the above payment from my account and pay to:

The Ratcliffe College Foundation
Account No: 53163192 Sort Code: 60-14-10
IBAN: GB82NWBK 601410 53163192
SWIFT: NWBKGB2L

Signed: Date:

I live overseas and I would like you to contact me to arrange the most efficient way to make my donation.

You can make a gift online, visit: www.RatcliffeCollege.com/foundation

Single Gift

I would like to make a single gift of £50 £100 £250 Other £ _____

Via: Bank Transfer

Cheque (made payable to *Ratcliffe College Foundation*)

To make your donation by credit/debit card, please call the Development Office on +44 (0)1509 817091.

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On occasion, we would like to recognise the names of our donors in Foundation or College publications, however, if you prefer your donation to remain anonymous, please tick here.

I would like further information about leaving a gift in my will to Ratcliffe.

Please post this form to:

Freeport RHT - EYZG - ECTC (UK only), The Ratcliffe College Foundation,
Fosse Way, Ratcliffe on the Wreake, Leicester, LE7 4SG.



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Did you know?

No one is going to save money by giving it away, however, the UK tax laws do at least mean that, if you are a higher rate taxpayer then you can claim some tax back which means that it might cost you less than you thought!

For example, if you wish to give a £10,000 gift, and let's assume you are a 45% tax payer earning over

£150,000 pa, then on your personal tax return you can reclaim the marginal rate difference worth £3,125, meaning it only costs you £6,875. In addition, we can claim Gift Aid on the initial amount, adding a further 25%, that means we receive £12,500.

When does
£6,875 equal
£12,500?

Answer:
When you
donate it
to Ratcliffe
College!

Corporation Tax Relief

Businesses who make qualifying gifts to the Ratcliffe College Foundation can claim Corporation Tax Relief and reduce their tax liability whilst at the same time helping to support our School.

Get Involved

There are many aspects of Ratcliffe that need support, from Sport to Music, Academic Bursaries to new buildings. Find the one that means the most to you and get in touch to see how you can help.

Make a Difference

Whether you are a high-rate taxpayer, a lower rate taxpayer – or if you don't pay tax at all, your gifts are of a great importance to us, enabling us to provide so much more than we can on fee income alone. For more information on how to give and what your money would support, please visit our Foundation website at www.RatcliffeCollegeFoundation.com or email us at foundation@ratcliffecollege.com



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