

Life-changing education at Taunton School Sixth Form for a talented student in need of financial support.

Taunton School

Established in 1847, Taunton School is an independent, co-educational boarding and day school, with ages from 3 to 18, welcoming students from our local area, the South West of England, as well as from over 50 countries. There is an International School as well as an intermediate International School on campus. We are regarded highly; both internationally and throughout the UK and we deliver a first-class education.

We recognise that our students enter into a competitive, global community. We prepare them for this. At Sixth Form we offer the International Baccalaureate and A levels. Our teachers are talented and dedicated. Our facilities are good, in some cases, they are outstanding. We excel academically and pastorally and we are passionate about increasing opportunities for every young person that attends here.

Our Aim

We want to be at the forefront of a movement to create a new generation of scientists, mathematicians, engineers, athletes, musicians, entrepreneurs, doctors and artists by providing life-changing education, regardless of financial means. We are passionate about supporting those with a capacity and a desire to learn. It's at the heart of everything we do.

What sets us apart?

Though perhaps not regarded as "the most prestigious" of English public schools, we are nevertheless proud of who we are. We are not selective; this means that we accept students based on their potential and desire to learn. We can inspire the very brightest and best students, as well as those who may have thought that their potential was limited. We teach them to reach high and work hard.

We are progressive; being the first school in the UK to appoint a black head boy from Nigeria in 1963. We were one of the first to adopt a co-educational policy in 1970, some ten years before many others followed suit. We were one of the first schools to create an international learning environment with students coming to Taunton School from all over the world to learn English and experience a British education and boarding environment.

We believe that education is a right, not a privilege; that the great schools of this country were built with philanthropy and that a culture of giving back should flourish as it did over a century ago when most of our buildings were gifted by our community.

What sets us apart is our passion and commitment to the individual. We believe that we can offer the best education to students regardless of means and that these students will have the capacity to change our world. Many schools talk in a similar language, but this is a reality at Taunton School. Everything we do is based on our desire to change lives for the better.

Our international perspective

Over 42 languages are spoken at Taunton School. We are proud to welcome bright and able students from across the world and from just down the road. Our students integrate well and are encouraged to share cultural experiences and to support each other. Last year, a boy who came to Taunton School speaking very little English, became our first ever Russian Head Boy.

Within the past 5 years, two of our Head Boys, were fully funded and supported at Sixth Form by Old Tauntonians. One of these boys came from a poor village in Mexico. He is now the first in his family to attend University.

We have a global legacy of highly successful alumni, both men and women, who have made their mark and become leaders of change.

Our fundraising work

We have created a fundraising programme designed to support Sixth Form students, from financially restricted backgrounds. The school has a proud history of philanthropy and since its conception in September 2015, the "Patrons' Programme" is providing 100% means-tested financial support.

Our target in the short term is to support at least 20 children in this way. We currently have 4 students at the School through the Patrons' Programme and we have already raised the funds to recruit a further 9 from the UK in 2018. It is our intention to offer education to those with the desire to succeed, with the talent and attitude to influence others to work hard and achieve. We have a successful track record in changing lives in this way and we are passionate about working with our Old Tauntonians, parents and friends in Hong Kong to do the same for children here.

What we are offering

With financial support from our Hong Kong community, we intend to transform lives with fully funded sponsorship for talented, means tested students from Hong Kong, attending Taunton School as Sixth Form Boarders.

We are offering a fully funded place to attend Taunton School from September 2018 as a boarder, for two years, studying either A Levels or the International Baccalaureate programme.

Full support from both Taunton School and the TS Hong Kong Foundation will be received, including payment of all tuition and boarding fees, flights and expenses, including uniform as well as the provision of Chinese speaking Guardians in the UK.

How to apply

Candidates would be selected with the support of Academic Asia, one of our education partners in Hong Kong. Applicants would be expected to:

- Speak English confidently and be able to cope with a two year boarding school experience in England
- Sit an examination in both mathematics and English together with an oral interview
- Attend a second interview for shortlisted candidates
- Attend an additional interview, with a member of our Hong Kong Foundation

The deadline for application is Thursday, 1st March 2018.

For further information please contact:

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Henry and Jan

Henry Keeling and Jan Nuttall, both Old Tauntonians, have been instrumental in changing the lives of children at Taunton School through their unique bursary programme. They are both Past Presidents of the Old Tauntonian Association and Henry is Chairman of Governors.

"My parents gave me two invaluable things; a lot of love and a good education. Taunton School gave me an abiding love of sport together with enjoyment of both music and drama which have served to give me great confidence when having to perform in a public setting or work environment. Some of my deepest and most durable friendships were formed there and it was also at Taunton that I first met my wife, Jan - a child of expatriate parents who found a second and happy home at Weirfield and then Taunton.

Our experiences left an indelible and mostly positive imprint on both of us. I genuinely believe that Taunton was very special in the way it tried to find the one thing that would make a child unique, loved and appreciated. In my view this stems from the basic non-conformist and dissenting traditions of the School. It is about an ethos and a set of values that are even stronger today than they were then.

Beyond this there is a deeper reason why Jan and I wanted to support the School and especially students wishing, but perhaps finding it difficult, to continue into the Sixth Form. We all have slightly chequered pasts that could have played out differently and I was most certainly no angel at

school. When the chips were really down, one or two teachers stood steadfastly behind me, seeing something that I had failed to determine myself: I got a second chance and left with decent, if not exactly flying, colours. This taught me two very important lessons: the first is that you have to be brutally true to yourself and work hard to achieve what you want in life; the second is that if you are in a position genuinely to help someone then you must; you never know what profound difference it might make for them."

Jan's experience was somewhat different (she was a slightly more applied student) but these are views we both share deeply; so we wanted to find a way of helping young people achieve their greatest potential in an inclusive and caring environment. We truly believe that Taunton School, especially in comparison to other options, is just such a place. We would encourage those in a position to do so, to offer support and become involved in helping others fulfil their lives."

*Henry Keeling (School House 1963-74)
Jan Nuttall (Weirfield and Taunton School
1973-75)*



A Global Community

Taunton School is part of a global community and, as such, welcomes children from all over the world. Today students from over 24 countries call Taunton School home.

Our International School and International Middle School enable children to learn English and benefit from a traditional boarding school experience. Our

international and English students integrate well with each other, socially, academically and on our sports fields.

Beyond School, Old Tauntonians can be found in every country, in every profession. Through the Old Tauntonian Association we encourage friendships and networking opportunities for life.

Juan Luquin

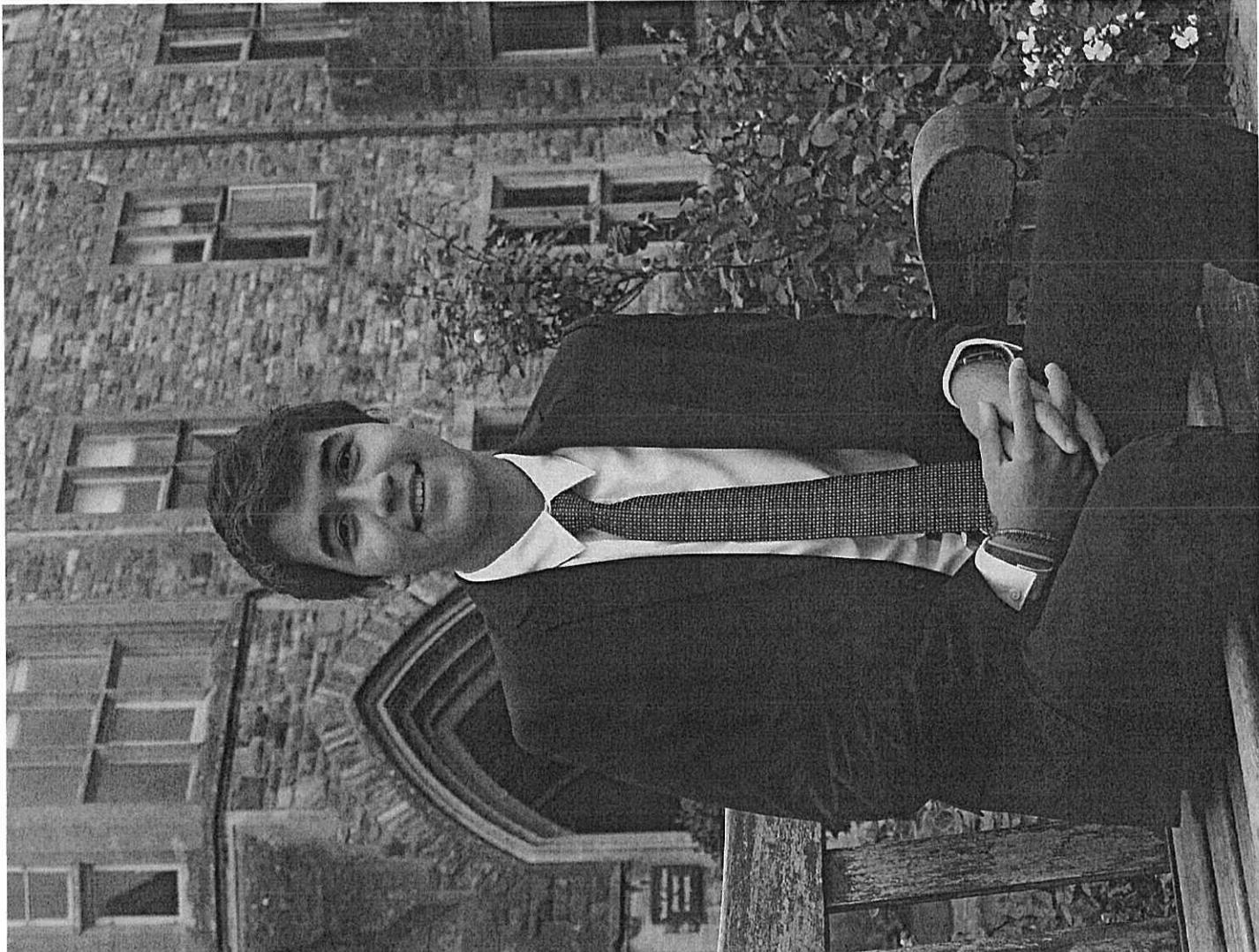
Juan Luquin was a bright and able child from the USA whose family did not have the means to offer him an outstanding education. With the support of a group of Old Tauntonians, he was able to complete his education at Sixth Form, becoming Head Boy.

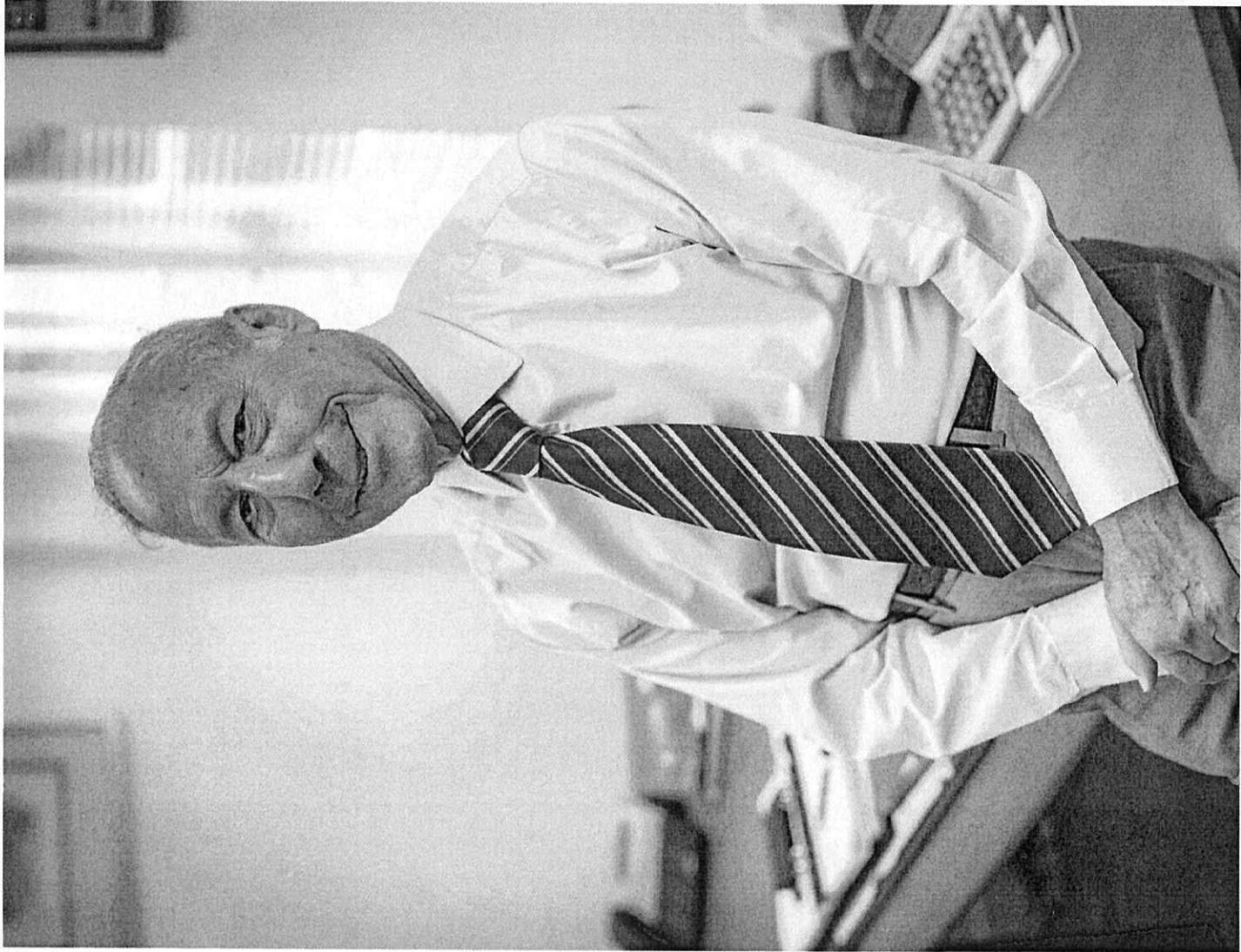
He is now studying engineering and physics at Pepperdine University, Malibu, becoming the first member of his family to attend university.

Our vision is to create life-changing opportunities for children through the Patrons' Programme to support students from our local area in Somerset as well as international students from low income backgrounds.

"Taunton School is a place where lifelong friendships are made, experiences are shared and future leaders are born. I was able to grow as an individual physically and academically, by being challenged to reach my greatest potential. I never saw Taunton as a school, it was my home. I will never forget the great experiences I had at Taunton School and will carry them with me for the rest of my life."

Juan Luquin, Head Boy (Wills East 2012-14)





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I owe much more to
Taunton than just a good
education. I took away
from school so many of
the essential ingredients
that have made my life
so much more fulfilling
than it otherwise would
have been.

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Michael Phillips (School House 1943-48)

Michael Phillips

Michael was at Taunton School during the Second World War, evacuated from London, like so many others at the time. Having left in 1948, he entered the accountancy profession and in 1970 became involved in a house building business. He has enjoyed a long and successful career and is still going strong, with the support of his family, well into his eighties!

Michael has been a generous friend and supporter of the Taunton School Foundation, since its inception in 2002. He decided recently to become one of our first donors of the Patrons' Programme.

"Taunton School taught me a great deal; the importance of discipline and an organised mind, which has enabled me to face life, and the problems which go with it, in a balanced way.

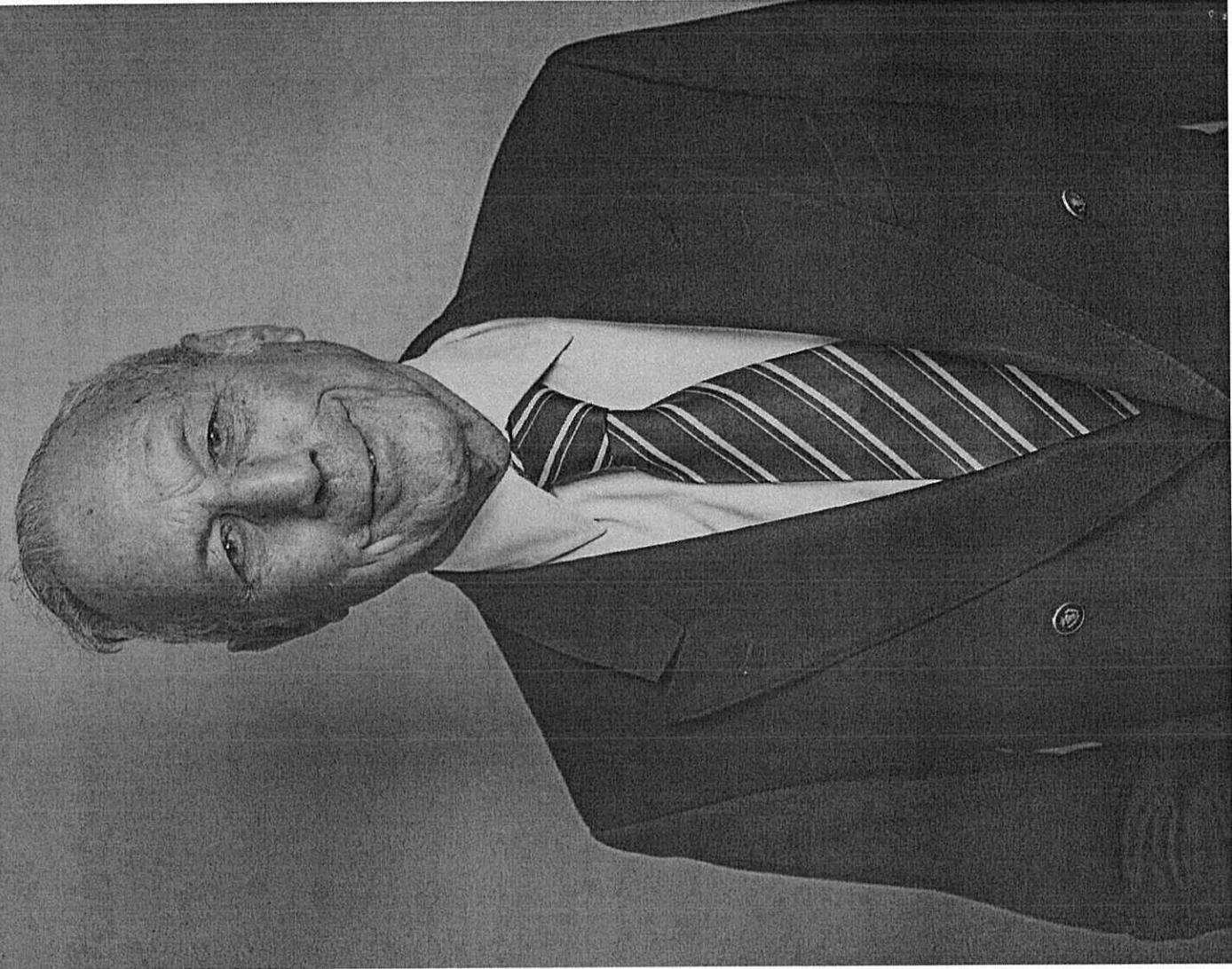
I learned about honour and decent standards, everyday manners of living with one's fellow citizens, showing respect where it should be given, giving way to older people, 'ladies first', a level of politeness to one and all - I felt well-prepared for entering the adult world. I have always enjoyed the ability to make good friends throughout my life.

Another Taunton asset which I enjoy to this day, is an enduring love of sport. Of course that started

with active participation and then went on to the pleasures in later life of simply being a spectator. But it goes further than that. I firmly believe that participation in sport leads to a more rounded and well-balanced individual and additionally allows one to recognise the importance of being part of a team and the responsibilities which go with it. One also has to learn how to lose as well as to win.

I consider myself very fortunate in having spent my teenage years at Taunton; a significant and important part of my life story. Assisting someone to a good education, especially in today's world, creates the best opportunity for a successful career on leaving school."

Michael Phillips (School House 1943-48)

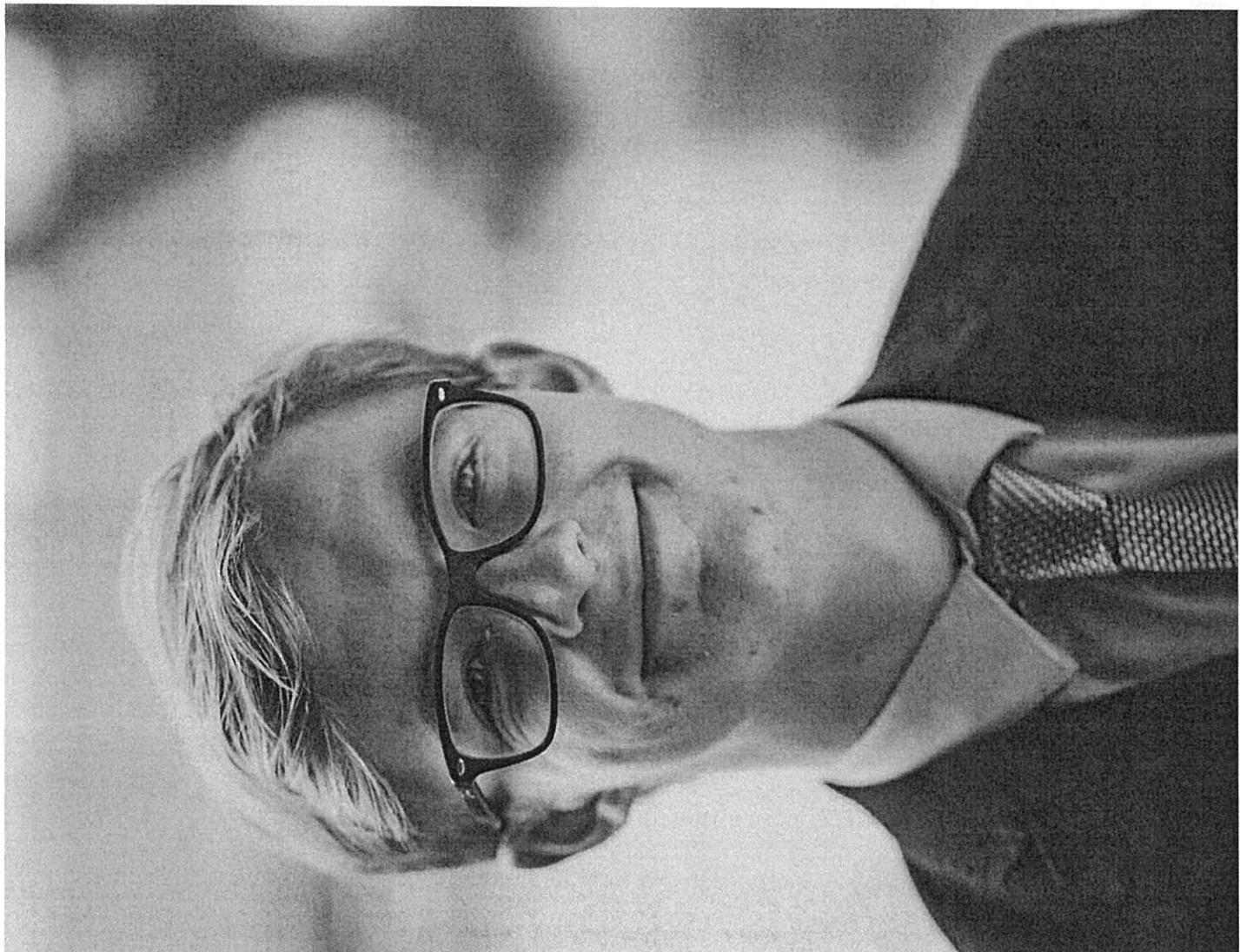


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Liam Travers, Ian Evans Lombe
award recipient and Head Boy



Ian Evans Lombe: A Legacy for Life

Ian was the former head of Lloyds of London insurance brokers; a wealthy and successful businessman who moved to rural Somerset at the end of his career. He had a formidable reputation as a focused and dedicated professional who would not accept failure.

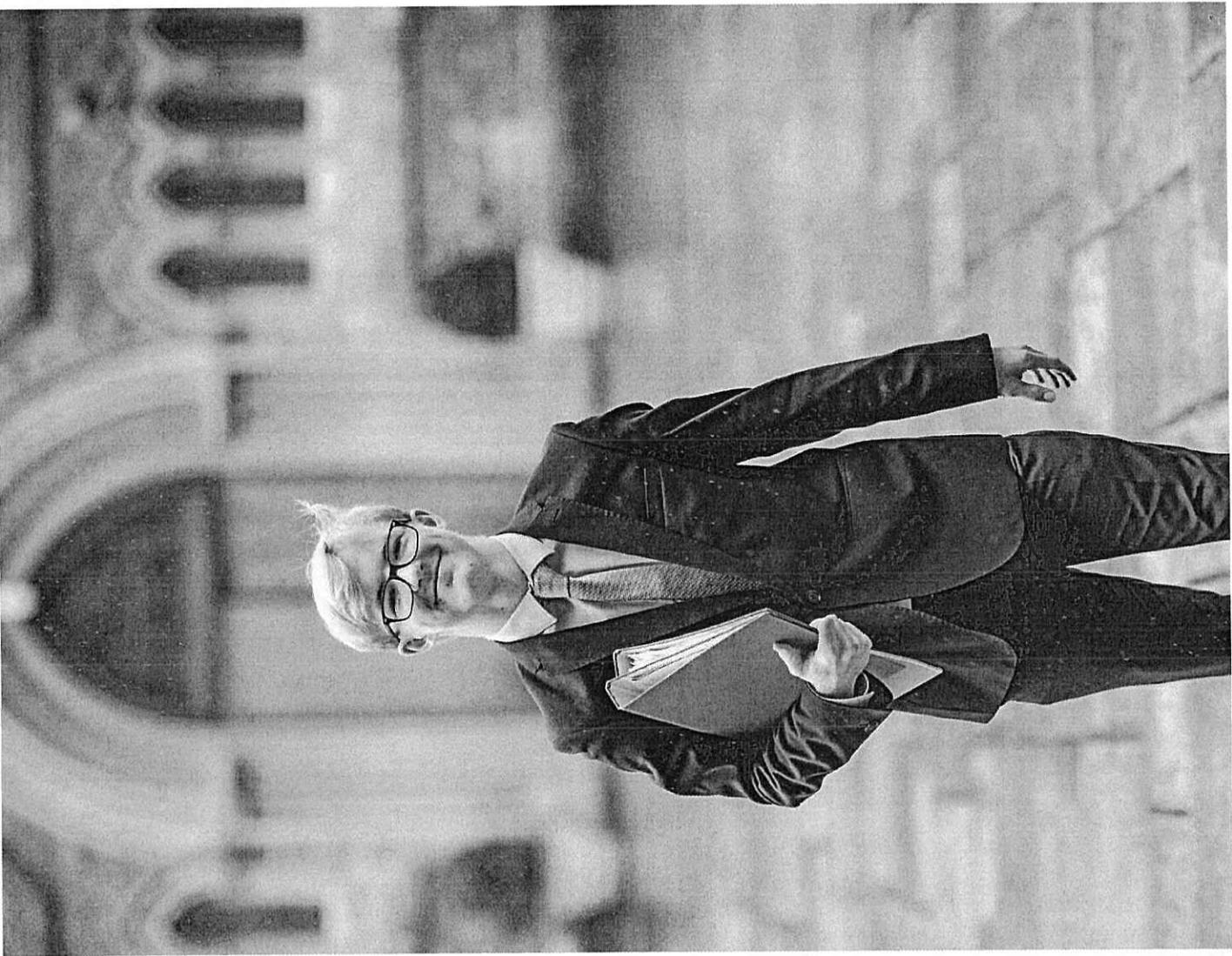
Ian died in 2007. With no children, and in an extraordinary act of generosity, he left

his £13million fortune to help good causes in the Somerset area. Over £1.2million was left to Taunton School, a legacy which supports talented Sixth Formers, competing for International Baccalaureate places.

Liam Travers, Head Boy and future world-changer, is one of the recipients of the Ian Evans Lombe award. He says:

“Two years ago I was a run-of-the-mill 16-year-old. Today, I stand as the Head Boy of an outstanding school. I feel proud to both lead a community of future pioneers and, more importantly, be me. For this reason, I will always be grateful for the generosity of Taunton School and Ian Evans Lombe in granting me such an opportunity. Above all, Taunton School has taught me that the world is a whole lot bigger than the local comprehensive

school I left behind. Alongside my IB, I have learnt from my teachers that there is no dream too big. The School has nurtured the potential I showed and fuelled my ambition, showing me that I can do anything or go anywhere I desire. Bearing this in mind, I hope to study Geography at Cambridge with a view to ultimately change the world. As soon as I do, I'll let you know!”



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Taunton School is an extraordinary place to be educated. It creates wonderful opportunities that prepare and shape children for life. The School also requires constant investment to preserve and to progress for the benefit of future generations. Leaving a legacy in your will is a tax-efficient way of contributing to this future without any impact on your present finances.

Ian Evans Lombe was an extraordinary philanthropist who has given so many students access to life-changing education. I have also made my own legacy commitment to this fine School to which I owe so very much. I look forward to bringing together all those who generously agree to support the School's future with a legacy and to encourage others to join our ranks.

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*Michael Button, Chairman of the 1847 Society
and donor (Wills East 1949-56)*

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I learned invaluable
lessons about
myself and others,
which I most
likely would not
have experienced
elsewhere.

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Obi Imachukwu (Weirfield, 2009-2011)



Obi and the Impact of Sponsorship at Sixth Form

Benefactors at Taunton School have, for many years, offered financial support for students by effectively sponsoring their education. Our aim now is to create opportunities at Sixth Form for 20 young people from Somerset and around the world. This is a unique opportunity for those looking to leave a lasting legacy and to offer a genuine life-changing gift.

Obi Imachukwu was born in East London. She attended a local primary school and completed her GCSEs at Kingsford Community School. A bright and able student, she was able to attend Taunton School at Sixth Form thanks to the support of a group of Old Tauntonians.

“I work currently as a paralegal in the Project Finance Team at Norton Rose Fulbright in London having read Law at Brunel University and graduating in 2015.

From a young age I enjoyed entering competitions, especially if it promoted creativity and education. I wrote a play in Mandarin which allowed me to incorporate my love for music with foreign languages. I won the National Speaking Competition and received a sponsored trip to Beijing from HSBC and the British Council. I was keen to leave London to further my education and was very excited when I found out I would be completing my A-Levels at Taunton School. The quality of teaching, the facilities, and most importantly, the individuals who make up Taunton School played a positive role in what was a life-

I experienced a very quick, yet smooth transition from student to work life. It has been a great learning curve so far and I am excited to see what the future has in store for me.”

Obi Imachukwu (Weirfield, 2009-2011)



The Patrons' Programme

Patron Level: sponsoring a boarder

Cost per term	Cost per annum	Cost for two years	Target number of children	Total
£11,000	£33,000	£66,000	10	£660,000

£66,000 would generate Gift Aid of £16,500 = £82,500 (total award).

A higher rate tax payer can claim back the £16,500 which means the gift would only cost £49,500.

Benefactor Level: sponsoring a day pupil

Cost per term	Cost per annum	Cost for two years	Target number of children	Total
£5,900	£17,700	£35,400	10	£354,000

- Students are selected nationally and internationally and interviewed by an experienced panel. In all cases, parents are means-tested
- The Benefactor/s will receive regular reports about their student with the opportunity to meet with the successful candidate
- The family will be informed about your involvement and the School will be responsible for maintaining contact between you and the student

£35,400 would generate Gift Aid of £8,850 = £44,250 (total award). A higher rate tax payer can claim back the £8,850 which means the gift would only cost £26,550. Cost can be met from an individual or a group of benefactors and spread over a maximum period of five years.

Gifts from the USA

United States taxpayers can donate through the British Schools and Universities Foundation Inc (BSUF), a registered 501c3 charity (Federal I.D. Number 13-616-1189) in the United States. Gifts made through the Foundation are fully tax deductible. Taunton School Foundation

- An exclusive annual dinner would offer the opportunity to network with like-minded benefactors of Taunton School
- Groups of supporters can contribute towards a single award
- Awards can be named and acknowledged within the School for perpetuity

Donations can be made via electronic bank transfer:

Sort code: 40 44 04
Account Number: 81781243

Gift Aid for UK Taxpayers

Making a gift of any size using the Gift Aid Scheme, enables the Taunton School Foundation to reclaim from the Government the basic rate of tax on the gift which will already have been paid by the donor. Donations gain 25p for every £1.

How funds are managed

All fundraising at Taunton School is carried through the Taunton School Foundation. Overall responsibility for prudent management of funds is looked after by the Governing Board's Finance Committee. Operational costs are met through fee income and not from donations.

The Foundation Board

The work of The Foundation is supported by a growing number of influential and supportive Old Tauntonians and friends internationally who help to steer our approach.

The Taunton School Foundation is a subsidiary Charity of Taunton Schools Educational Charity, a Company Limited by Guarantee. Registration Number: 1405393.
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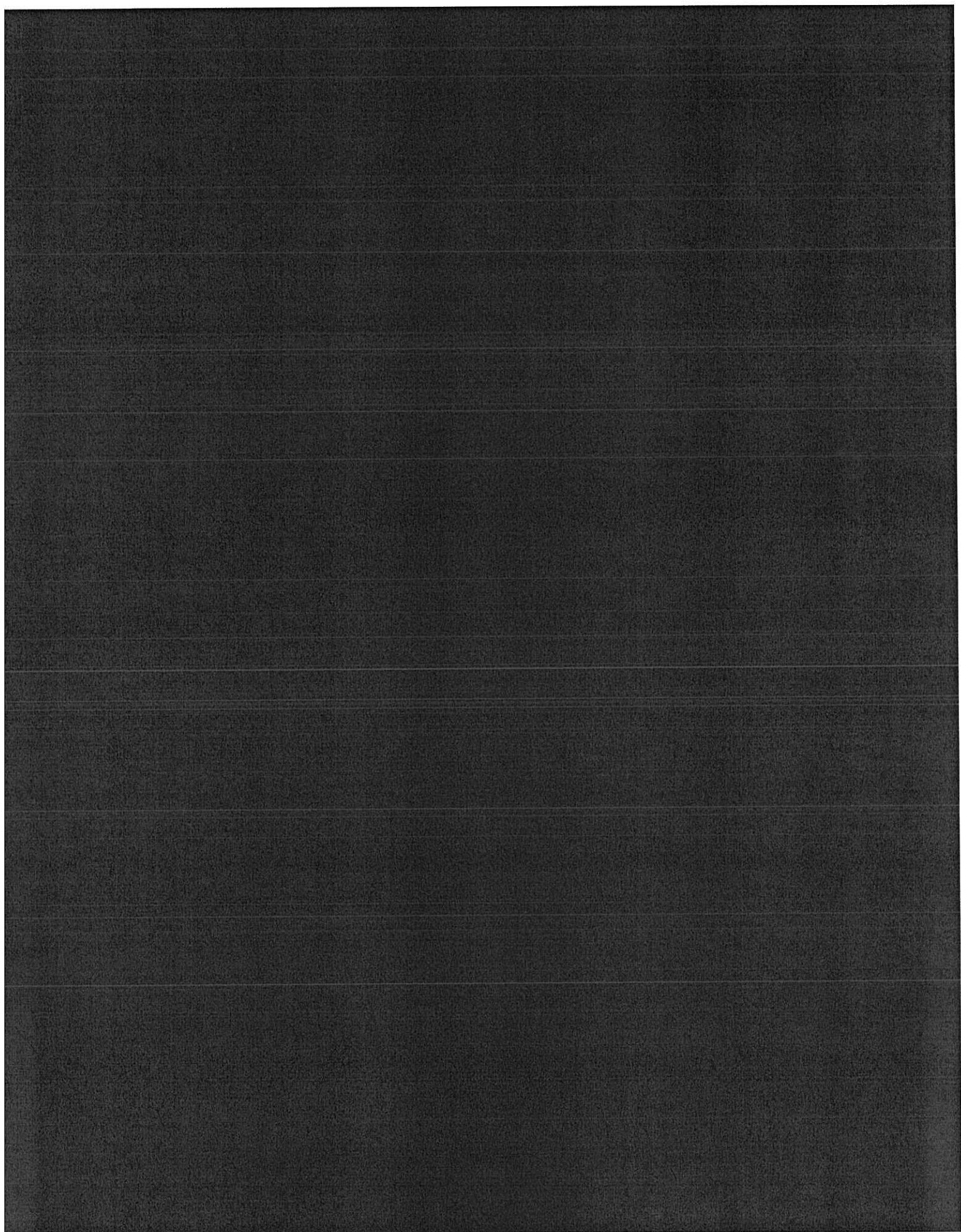
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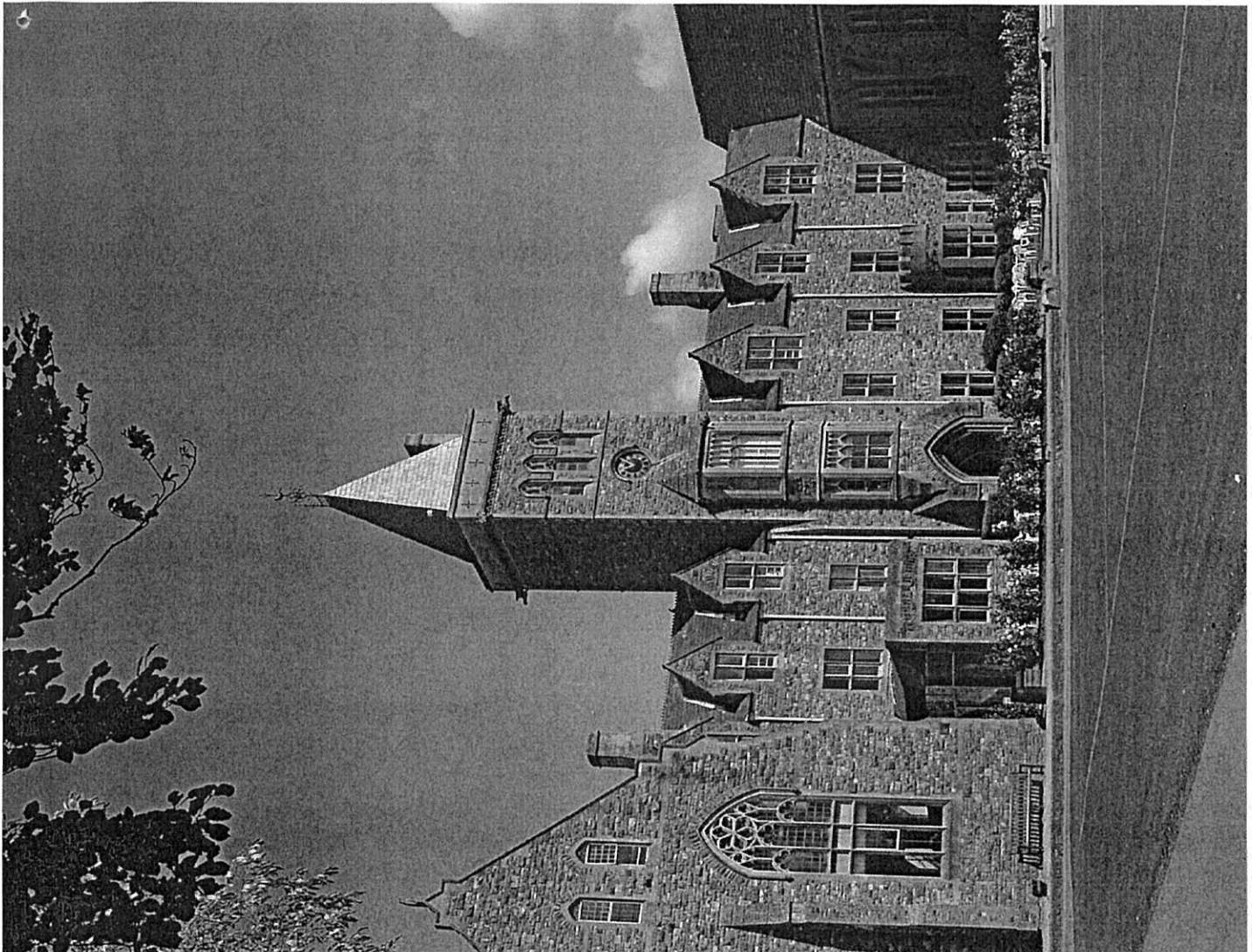
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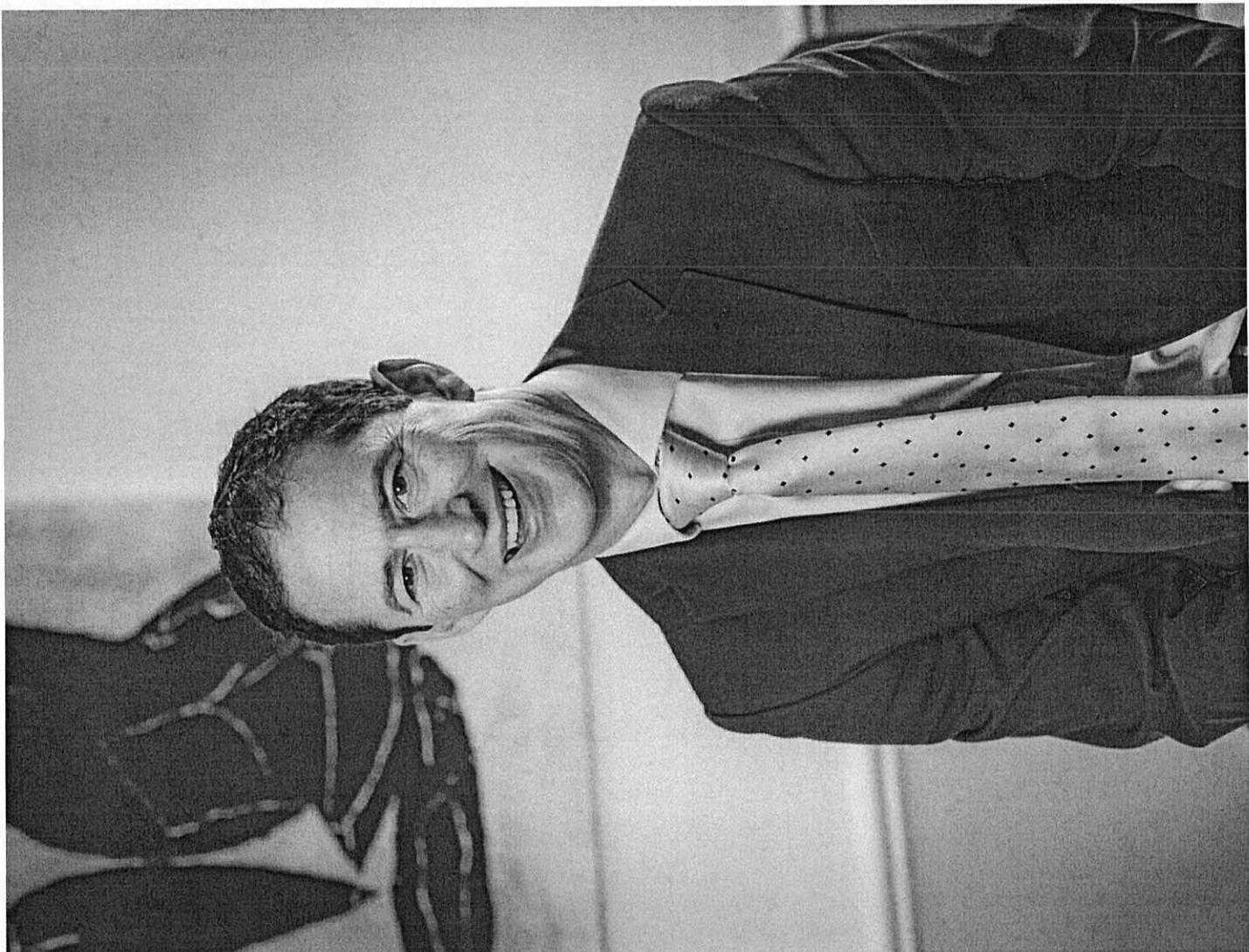


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Our vision is to challenge,
inspire and nurture young
people to succeed in a
global community. We are
committed to supporting
all deserving children
able to contribute and
compete within a culture
of learning.

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Lee Glaser, Headmaster



life-Changing education



We believe that every child who is talented, willing to work hard and contribute towards our ethos should have access to an education at Taunton School.

We are committed to supporting young people, particularly as they enter adulthood at Sixth Form level. We encourage individuals and Trusts to offer financial support for local and international students, all of whom would come from financially restricted backgrounds. Taunton School was built with a proud tradition of philanthropy and it is our aim to continue that culture of giving.

We provide life-changing education that makes a difference not only to each student, but also to their own communities for the long-term. Giving to the School means that more young people can access a first-class education, learn to think independently

and develop skills for life; we create leaders who change the world.

We invite you to support a student at Sixth Form, by becoming a member of our Patrons' Programme. We are looking for 100% means-tested financial support for two years and we would like to help at least 20 students initially.

You would be able to follow the progress of a student and discover personally how your gift of education impacts directly on a life forever.

This is an opportunity to do something extraordinary.

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Henry Keeling, Chairman of Governors
(School House, 1963-74)