



June 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

A very warm welcome to you and your child into the Senior School at Barnard Castle School. We trust it will be a magnificent journey and create memories that last a lifetime. That journey does not conclude at the end of final examinations. Rather, it is a lifelong connection to our community. We are incredibly proud of how the Barnardian community remains available to offer support, friendship, and social interaction beyond school journey. We have a vibrant and active alumni network, which is experiencing something of a revitalised programme through several regional and international events. Known as the Old Barnardians' Club, each student becomes a member of this exciting network upon leaving School.

The benefits of being part of this network include the following:

- Invitations to dinners, reunions, social and sporting events, both at School and worldwide.
- Participation in the Careers and Mentoring programme, as well as networking opportunities, including exclusive social media groups.
- Keeping up to date with and contributing to OB news.
- The alumni magazine Connect.
- Staying in touch with friends and School staff.
- Online access to an exclusive alumni platform to share news and search the archives.

The Club is directed by its committee, which meets regularly. The Old Barnardians' Club is represented on the Governing Body and works hard to support the vision of the Headmaster and Governors. Life membership will be secured through three equal payments of £40 applied to each of your first three termly school invoices. This small payment enables the Club to enable the Club to continue its work and we hope you will agree that this is an opportunity that every students should enjoy and take advantage of.

Should you decide against this membership, we would be grateful if you indicate this by completing the opt-out section at the bottom of this form and return it to the Accounts Office as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,
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Mr J G Hetherington Chair of the Old Barnardians' Club Mrs J Jordan Vice - Chair of the Old Barnardians' Club
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OLD BARNARDIANS' CLUB MEMBERSHIP OPT-OUT
To: The Accounts Office, Barnard Castle School, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8UN
Having read the information about membership of the Old Barnardians' Club, I do no t wish to enrol my daughter/son at this time.
Pupil's Name:
School Number:
House:
Year Group:
Parent's Signature:
Date:

In the meantime, we look forward to welcoming you into the community.