Old Maidstonian Society

The Association of Former Pupils and Staff of Maidstone Grammar School

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AUTUMN SUPPER

On Saturday 25th September the Society is holding an Autumn Supper in the School Hall as an occasion to get members and guests (spouses /partners) together for a sociable evening with fellow OM's. We have had to cancel two Annual Suppers both in April 2020 and this year so this will be something of an occasion to "catch up" with fellow members but with less formality than the Annual Supper.

The event will start at around 4.00 pm and the school will be open so that members can see recent developments and major upgrades to the school's facilities; the "All Weather" sports pitch, the new pavilion, the refurbished library as well as recent classroom and laboratory upgrades. Year 13 leavers from 2020 and 2021 were denied any traditional "farewell fling" to end their school days so this will be a superb opportunity for them to get together.

A served buffet supper is being arranged for around 6.30 pm at the very reasonable cost of £13 per head and a pay bar will be provided for drinks before and during the meal. Our President Nancy Powell and the Headmaster will say a few words of welcome (much less formal than the Annual Supper!) and after the meal members will be welcome to socialise and chat with friends further with proceedings coming to a close sometime between 8.30 and 9.00 pm. So not a "late" night but one starting in daylight to see what has become of our old school.

Hopefully this will be well supported and will take the place of the "London Event" we have held in recent years. As a Saturday evening it should be easier for OM's from across the South East to get to Maidstone to meet and have a Reunion with friends.

The menu we have currently looks like this:

A selection of Canapes on Arrival

Smoked Salmon & Cream Cheese Blinis; Roast Pepper & Feta Tartlet;

Sweet Anchovy Straws with Sunflower Seed Pesto; Mini Passion Fruit & Strawberry Pavlovas

Mains

Chicken Tikka Masala Or Roasted Vegetable Dhal (V)(Ve)

With: Bombay Potato (V); Onion Bhaji (V)(Ve); Mini Poppadums

Scented Rice; Naan Bread; Onion Salad, Minted Cucumber Salad and Raita

Steak and Ale pie Or Leek and Potato Crumble (V)

With: Roasted new potatoes; Seasonal Vegetables

Traditional Beef Lasagne Or Vegetable Lasagna (V)

With: Garlic bread; Dressed salad

Desserts

Gypsy Tart Or Fruit Salad (V)(Ve)

Payment and confirmation of your attendance need to be submitted in advance. *Please email* <u>oms@oldmaidstonians.org.uk</u> to confirm your attendance and payment method. Any cheques to be made payable to and sent to: The Old Maidstonian Society, Maidstone Grammar School, Barton Road, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 7BT.

Or payment by bank transfer:

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Your Committee hope that the traditional Annual Supper will be held as usual in the Spring of 2022.