

OLD MAIDSTONIAN SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

24 March 2023

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Committee has contributed much time and effort this year to the successful re-launch of the Mentoring Scheme and has helped to provide speakers for some recent launch Assemblies. We believe this is a huge step forward and this is a way in which the Society can help younger Maidstonians in their career paths.

Last year's Supper was followed by a brand new event, the Old Maidstonian 'Super Saturday' Sports Day on the school's new 3G pitch, and it is gratifying that this is happening again this year and will become an annual event.

People attending Super Saturday will notice that a second floor has been added to the Ron McCormick pavilion, to house the Modern Foreign Languages department.

Our first London get-together for three years took place in November, and after the privations of the intervening time, it felt particularly enjoyable.

It is typical of Maidstonians to find workarounds when faced with obstacles such as London Transport Tube strikes, so, undeterred by transport problems, 42 people attended and a good time was certainly had by all. The buffet food provided was outstanding and plentiful, excellent value for £10 per head.

A key focus now is to work with the School in planning the celebrations of our school's 475th Anniversary in 2024.

I take this opportunity to thank my fellow committee members for all their input over the last year. We are all volunteers and enjoy our various roles, our collective aim always being to support our school and the membership of the Society.

We always welcome hearing from any members interested in joining the committee. In particular we need someone to take on the role of Co-Editor of our newsletter 'The Old Maidstonian.' Brian White has fulfilled this role outstandingly well for several years and is keen to hand over to someone new.

John Clayton

Chairman

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