

Remembering Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry

A gift in your Will



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LEAVING YOUR LEGACY

Some of the most significant donations to Barts and The London have come from legacies. Whether it is 1 per cent or 100 per cent of your assets, a gift in your Will can have a truly transformative impact on students and staff at Barts and The London for generations to come. Your gift will enable us to plan for the future, continue to provide a first-class education for our students and make new discoveries that can help change the world. With your support, we can ensure that Barts and The London students and staff continue to succeed far into the future.



THE TAY AND LAWRENCE SOCIETY

The Tay and Lawrence Society has been created to thank and honour those individuals who have made provision for Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry in their Will.

The Society is named in honour of Waren Tay (1843-1927) who was educated at The Royal London and later appointed Surgeon, and Sir William Lawrence (1783-1867), a Surgeon at St Bartholomew's Hospital who was active in the development of Barts Medical School. Tay left £1,000 to the London Hospital Medical College, which helped to establish the Waren Tay Ophthalmology Lectureship. He was a noted ophthalmologist and he is eponymous through the naming of Tay Sachs Disease.

Sir William Lawrence was an Anatomy Demonstrator for twelve years at St Bartholomew's Hospital where he was esteemed by the students as an excellent teacher in the dissecting room. In 1824 he became a full Surgeon, and remained in post until 1865. He became Serjeant Surgeon to H.M. the Queen in 1858, was created a Baronet in April 1867, and died in harness in July, 1867. A memorial prize and scholarship at St Bartholomew's was set up by Sir William's family to honour his legacy.

If you have already included a bequest to Barts and The London in your Will, please let us know by returning the form at the back of this brochure. This will enable us to fully understand your wishes and to thank you for your support by welcoming you as a member of the Tay and Lawrence Society.



Sir William Lawrence



Waren Tay



SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

At Barts and The London we have a long tradition of encouraging gifted students to fulfil their potential and study here. Many students today come from our surrounding locality of East London; and many are the first in their families to attend university. We aspire to equip each student with the confidence and skills necessary for success in their careers.

Endowed bursaries and scholarships offer the opportunity to help generations of students overcome the increasing financial pressures of university, giving them the best chance to realise their full potential.

With your help we can build a foundation of support for future generations of Barts and The London students, widening opportunities and, ultimately, changing lives.



GEOFFREY FLAVELL BURSARY

Former student Dr Geoffrey Flavell (Medicine, 1956) left a gift in his Will which established a fund to provide bursaries to students at the School of Medicine and Dentistry.

The Geoffrey Flavell bursaries, worth £2000, are awarded annually to first year students.



Isobel Browne, Flavell Bursary recipient 2015

“I decided to study at Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry as I liked the unique location in the East End, along with the facilities of the medical school. As well as this, I was really impressed by the enthusiasm of the students at the open day. I remember they were all so passionate about their courses and were eager to share their experiences of student life with me. I thought, ‘This is how I want to feel about going to university and studying medicine’, which I now do!

Receiving the Geoffrey Flavell bursary was a huge surprise and came at a time when I was really worrying about

my finances. I was so excited when I found out I had received this bursary as I realised how it will begin to open up new opportunities for me that otherwise would not have been possible, such as attending conferences and purchasing text books.

I’m really interested in attending talks and hearing from doctors about the different careers they have had. This past year my eyes have been opened to the large variety of medicinal careers in addition to the opportunities in other areas such as research and teaching. It is difficult at this stage to know exactly what I would like to do as a doctor, nonetheless I am excited to discover more about my possible career options, and this bursary will help me to do that.

It is hard to express how much this bursary means to me and how grateful I am to Dr Flavell for helping students like me. Thanks to his generosity, my financial worries have now been relieved and my time at medical school will be so much more enjoyable.

LIFE-CHANGING RESEARCH

The success of our research is due to the dedication of our researchers, and the excellent working environments within our research institutes.

For instance, the Institute of Bioengineering is a new cross-faculty initiative bringing together academics from the faculties of Science and Engineering and Medicine and Dentistry. The Institute provides a focus for ground-breaking research aimed at the development of new medical technologies to meet the key healthcare challenges of the 21st century.

As well as this, we recently opened a new centre of excellence in brain tumour research, enabling scientists to push forward their work in this important field. Brain tumours kill more children and adults under the age of 40 than any other cancer, yet just 1% of the national spend on cancer research is allocated to this devastating disease.

We are proud of the difference we make to society through research and we want to continue our work far into the future. Your legacy gift will make further advances possible, with every penny of your gift going directly to the research area of your choice.





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Mike Curtis, Deputy Vice Principal (Health)

The centuries old tradition of Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry and its unique locations adjacent to the City of London as well as the heart of East London provides a special environment to both work and study. Our highly diverse, local population has some of the highest levels of acute and chronic diseases in the UK and provide an unparalleled resource for training the next generation of clinicians and developing new strategies for the diagnosis and treatment of disease.

Philanthropic donations to the School of Medicine and Dentistry are exceptionally important and are used in a wide variety of ways to support our endeavours in both education and research. For example, dependent upon the precise wishes of the donor, in recent times they have helped sustain a hardship fund to support students who would otherwise have been unable to complete their course. Donations have also enabled the development of cutting edge facilities and equipment to support our researchers and thereby help deliver the School’s mission to be at the forefront of biomedical and clinical research in the UK.

PROVIDING FOR THE FUTURE

Barts and The London is a constantly evolving environment, so making an unrestricted gift is extremely valuable. By doing so, you are enabling Barts and The London to channel resources into the areas of greatest need and meet new challenges as and when they arise.



“I am inspired by those who leave a gift in their Will to help future generations of students. Financial stress has always been a worry for me and as a result I have had to hold down a part time job ever since I turned 16. Final year dentistry, however, is too demanding so it just isn't possible to hold down a job and keep on top of everything.



Mandi Pal received a hardship bursary from an endowed legacy gift to assist her in her final year studying Dentistry.

At a time when I was worried about where my next meal was going to come from, this bursary helped me enormously. I can't explain the weight that has been lifted off my shoulders thanks to those who helped out. I am so grateful and I feel inspired to also give back one day.”

A gift from Muriel Davies in memory of her mother has been used to establish the **Mrs Mary Davies Fund**. The interest from the capital is being used to support teaching and research into dermatology within the School of Medicine and Dentistry.



Mrs Miriam Milton left a gift to Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry in her Will, which funded the refurbishment of the Old Medical School Building in Turner Street, enhancing the working and teaching facilities for staff and students. The old Anatomy Lecture Theatre was renamed the Milton Lecture Theatre in Mrs Milton's honour.



Claire is from East London and is the only member of her family ever to go to university. She lives with her husband, who is also a student, and they have two children aged three and six. She says:

“Receiving a bursary made an enormous difference to my family. I was facing an extremely stressful situation as my husband and I were suddenly faced with unexpected financial hardship right before my exams. Being in full time education and raising two children is extremely challenging for us and we were facing very difficult circumstances.

The funding enabled me to fully prepare for my exams, which I passed, and focus on making the arrangements for my elective, which has been extremely enriching and has opened doors for my future career in medicine. I sincerely thank the donors who helped me and my family during this difficult time.”

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

There are several types of gift that you can include in your Will. Your solicitor will be able to explain these in more detail and discuss the most appropriate option based on your wishes and circumstances.

Residuary: This is the remainder of your estate after expenses and other gifts have been paid. This type of gift is not affected by inflation.

Pecuniary: This is a bequest of money. You can either specify that the value of the gift remains constant, or you can leave instructions for the gift to take into account inflation.

Specific: This is a particular item left as a gift in your Will, for example jewellery, works of art or the proceeds of a life insurance policy.

Reversionary: This enables you to pass your estate, or specific assets of your

estate, to named individuals who will benefit throughout their lifetime. Following their deaths all, or some, of the estate is then passed to the beneficiaries as specified in the reversionary legacy. For example, property may be left to a spouse for his/her lifetime and then bequeathed to the University after his/her death.

Suggested wording

If you are a resident of the UK, your solicitor may find the following wording helpful:

“I give to Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry, Queen Mary University of London (HMRC tax registration No. XN80515), [the residue] / [% of the residue] of my estate [or] [the sum of £x] for the general purposes [or your preferred area] of the University. I direct that the receipt of the duly authorised officer of the University shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executors.”

Tax Benefits

Our status as an exempt charity means there are financial benefits to leaving a legacy to Barts and The London. By remembering us in your Will you can reduce the taxable value of your assets and so reduce the amount of inheritance tax on your estate.

Letting us know

If you decide you would like to remember the School in your Will, please let us know by completing and returning the form at the back of this brochure, or by contacting our office directly. This will enable us to fully understand your wishes and keep you informed about new developments here. Any information you give us will be treated in complete confidence.

If you are a non UK resident please contact the Development Directorate as other arrangements apply.

THANK YOU

When the time is right, we hope you consider making a gift in your Will to Barts and The London, either by making a new Will or by adding a codicil to your existing one. Your gift will enable us to provide more support to our students and enhance our research for generations to come.

And remember: you don't have to be extremely wealthy to make a difference! Legacies of all sizes play an invaluable role in our work and all gifts are greatly appreciated.

For more information or to discuss your gift further please contact the Development and Alumni Directorate on 020 7882 6429 or email alumni@qmul.ac.uk



Let us know your intentions

Sharing your intentions with us is invaluable as it will enable us to clearly understand your wishes and make the most of your support. If you plan on remembering Barts and The London in your Will, or have already done so, please complete and return this form.

- I have already included a gift to Barts and The London in my Will.
- I intend to leave a gift to Barts and The London in my Will.
- I would like to discuss leaving a gift to Barts and The London – please contact me.

Title	Name
Address	
Email	Telephone
Signature	Date
Please tell us about your gift:	

I would like my gift to remain anonymous

Please be assured that returning this form does not place you under any obligation to the School. It will not limit your freedom to change your mind at an time. Any information you give to us regarding your Will or intentions is **strictly private and confidential**.



“I am part of a four year programme at Barts and The London called the Prehospital Care Programme. I found fulfilling the mandatory requirements for this programme, in addition to working in order to make ends meet, very difficult to cope with. I was considering dropping out of the scheme to facilitate more hours at work, but thanks to a bursary I no longer have to do so. I am eternally grateful!”

**Candace Betts,
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