

Friends of St James Appeal Fund – ‘The St James Supper Club’

Dear Parents

I am writing to you on behalf of the Friends of St James Schools. We are currently planning a fundraising initiative called – ‘The St James Supper Club’ – This is intended to be a good way of strengthening the school community while at the same time raising funds to help the Senior Girls and Junior School to achieve their fundraising goals. Initially, money raised will go towards the building of a new, expanded refectory at Earsby Street.

The St James Supper Club is a great way for parents to help in the fundraising effort, either by hosting or attending a supper. The suppers will take place over the forthcoming academic year, either in private homes, or as picnics in the park, barbeques, wine tastings, etc. So, instead of paying to go out for an expensive restaurant meal, we invite you to come and enjoy an evening with friends and take the opportunity to get to know other St James parents too, at one of our generously donated events.

We hope the event will encourage guests to make a voluntary contribution to the Appeal Fund based on a ‘menu’ of donations for the refectory ranging in value from £25 for a chair to £1,000 or more. There is no obligation to make a donation for attending the event, though clearly we hope that you might give at whatever level you feel comfortable.

If you would like to be included on the St James Supper Club mailing list and be kept up to date with what Supper Clubs are being offered and the spaces available, or to receive more information on how to host a Supper Club, please email Portia Gillies on [friends@stjameschools.co.uk](mailto:friends@stjameschools.co.uk) Subject: St James Supper Club.

We have already received four offers from parents to get the ball rolling by hosting the following Supper Clubs:

Date	Host	Location	No. of Guests	Spaces	Additional information
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Amy Stefanowski & Katie Glover	Kensington	14		SOLD OUT!
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> June – Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Didi Wills ( <a href="http://www.canaples.com">www.canaples.com</a> )	Picardie, Northern France	8 (plus children)	6 (plus children)	Includes 2 Nights B&B and Sat Supper
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Kate Meltzer	Kew	8 - 10	8 - 10	
June(date tbd)	Isabelle Garland	Acton	16 - 18	16 - 18	

Please contact Portia at the Friends office if you would like to get involved with this new and exciting initiative. We look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes

Katie Glover and Amy Stefanowski  
Friends of St James - St James Supper Club