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Your support makes a difference

Professor David Greenaway took up the office of Vice-Chancellor of The University of Nottingham on October 1st 2008, succeeding Professor Sir Colin Campbell.

"In my close association with Nottingham over the last 20 years I have always greatly admired the part played in the University's life by the vast numbers of friends, supporters and, of course, our alumni community.

"I believe this body of people is fundamentally important to the future development and prosperity of our University. Our friends and supporters here in the UK and all over the world, are helping transform and enrich the lives of our current students on a daily basis.

As I have said on many occasions, one of the markers of a great university is the quality of its alumni. We have a very large community of successful alumni, playing leading roles in education, business and the public sector, and of course, it is a genuinely multinational community.

"Our friends, supporters and alumni contribute a lot to this University. Many do so philanthropically and that has helped us offer more scholarships, enrich our infrastructure and environment and support world-changing research. They are also an invaluable source of advice and enthusiastic advocates for what we stand for.

"We are in a fiercely competitive environment and, given the rapidly changing economic context, we will have to work hard to generate the resources needed to invest in our future. We are planning a major Campaign for Nottingham as one element of our future strategy and I hope our alumni and friends will support what we are striving to achieve.

"I myself have a great legacy to build on. Being appointed to lead this innovative and enterprising institution is a great honour.

"The prospect of working with so many talented colleagues from across the



University to advance the quality of teaching, research and internationalisation that makes Nottingham such a distinctive community, is genuinely invigorating and I am thoroughly enjoying the challenge.

"I have already had a chance to meet up with some of you at recent reunions and special events around the country and internationally where I have shared with you my vision for the University. I look forward to meeting up with many more of you in the months and years ahead."

Thank you

The University of Nottingham received a total of £6.1 million in 2008 in support from donors, friends and alumni.

Recorded gifts were up by 20% on the previous year – a vital contribution to Nottingham's ongoing development.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed and continues to contribute, it is greatly appreciated. It is only with this support that important projects, such as those featured on these pages, can continue to be realised.

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Feeling peaky after climbing challenge

Richard Bailey took some friends on one of the most exhausting climbing challenges in the UK – just to give something back to the people who cared for his newborn daughter.

Richard (third from left) and his group raised £4,629 by attempting and completing The Three Peaks Challenge scaling the highest peaks in England, Scotland and Wales in just 48 hours. The money raised was donated towards The University of Nottingham MRI Neonatal Research which enables state-of-theart investigation for babies who need it most.

The University has long been at the centre of development in MRI techniques; Sir Peter Mansfield received the Nobel Prize for Medicine in 2003.

Richard and his wife Susie's world was turned upside down when their daughter Tilly arrived 10 weeks ahead of schedule. Tilly was 3lb at birth and required respiratory, temperature control and feeding assistance during the next six weeks before she was allowed to go home from Nottingham City Hospital.

That was a year ago and Tilly is now a healthy, 17lbs 12oz.

"I knew we wouldn't come close to raising the £1.3 million required but I wanted to put something back into the system that gave my daughter help when she required it," said Richard. "It was a tough challenge but a fantastic experience for a great cause."

Nottingham in top trio for all round excellence

The University of Nottingham has once again been ranked by The Sunday Times Good University Guide within British higher education's most outstanding teaching and research universities. Thirty three academic schools and departments at Nottingham are rated 'excellent' — an achievement matched only by Cambridge University and The University of Manchester.

Nottingham students are also amongst the most likely to complete their courses, with one of the lowest 'drop out' rates in the UK.

The University is also ranked in the Top 10 for sport, and its graduates command some of the highest available starting salaries when they begin their careers.

Above all, Nottingham is praised for its two most distinctive features – an outstanding campus environment and first class facilities, and its profile as a truly global University, with opportunities to study high quality degrees on cosmopolitan campuses in the United Kingdom, Malaysia and The People's Republic of China.



Aspire reaches for sky

Nottingham's skyline has been transformed with the installation of Aspire, Britain's tallest free standing public work of art.

The Aspire tower at The University of Nottingham stands 60 metres tall –higher than the Angel of the North and taller than Nelson's Column and the Statue of Liberty.

The cost of design, manufacture and installation of Aspire, which amounts to £800,000, has been funded through the great generosity of a philanthropist who prefers to remain anonymous – but who wished to create an emblem which will make people think about their ambitions and where they aim to go in life.

At the launch, the then Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Colin Campbell, said: "This is a unique addition to the city's skyline and it's intended not just to celebrate the university but to capture the aspirations of Nottingham city itself.

The design is very strong, elegant and graceful, and it gives an indication of where this university is going in the future. Aspire is a gift to the university from a benefactor who believes in the university, believes in education and has a long-standing interest in art. It represents the most important statement we make as a university – to aspire."

To see the sculpture and learn more visit: www.aspire.nottingham.ac.uk

Fight against superbugs intensifies

Hospital superbugs such as MRSA and Clostridium difficile (C. diff) are killing thousands of people and destroying families' lives.

But with your help, a national research centre at The University of Nottingham, housing some of the UK's leading experts in the field, is taking the fight against the superbugs to the next level.

The Centre for Healthcare Associated Infections (CHAI), was launched in 2007 by the actress Leslie Ash, who was left virtually paralysed after contracting MSSA, a strain related to MRSA, while receiving treatment in a London hospital. Her near-death experience has led her to campaign about the illness and the hygiene measures needed to prevent its spread.

Over the past decade, almost 37,000 people have died after contracting one of these two devastating infections. At CHAI, leading experts from nine different schools at the University are working hard to better understand hospital and community superbugs and how we can stop them.

Currently, there is no national charity that funds research into these major killers, so your donations are crucial in helping our scientists expand and speed up their vital research.

www.hcai.nottingham.ac.uk

A message from Leslie Ash:

"Stopping HAI's, finding treatments for HAI's and finding funding for the research for the prevention of HAI's are all vital – I can't stress this enough!

"I am proud to be the patron of CHAI. I was one of the unfortunate ones to contract the MSSA infection, a hospital associated infection and it changed my life. It's taken four long years and a lot of support from those I love to regain any sort of normality. At CHAI they are working so hard to stop anyone else's lives being effected by these deadly bugs."



Sir Colin joins 'a very special community'

The University has paid tribute to its distinguished former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Colin Campbell, with a landmark new building named in his honour. Sir Colin's contribution to the global success of the University over the last two decades has been marked with the official naming of the former Gateway Building, on the Jubilee Campus.

Sir Colin, who was the longest-serving Vice-Chancellor in British higher education when he retired in September 2008, also received an honorary doctorate from the University at this winter's degree ceremonies. A further civic tribute was made when he was made

an Honorary Freeman of the City of Nottingham, becoming the city's 36th Honorary Freeman since William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, became the first person to be honoured in this way in 1905.

Sir Colin said: "I am honoured that the University has chosen to name this iconic building after me. The building represents, both in its architecture and the staff housed there the innovative and forward-looking nature of the University. I am also delighted to have received an honorary degree and joined a very special community of alumni."



Amazing ride for Robert

Fourteen-year-old Maddie Harris from Oxfordshire, raised a staggering £5,300 for Children's Brain Tumour Research.

She set out to raise £1,000 but smashed target after target when she rode her horse on the 137km route along The Ridgeway, one of Britain's ancient track ways, all the way from Ivinghoe Beacon in Buckinghamshire to Avebury in Wiltshire. She covered an average of 48km per day resting in between at farms and campsites en route and had to cope with a 10-mile detour, a horse with loose shoes and an emergency farrier stop to prevent her own horse from going lame.

"The reason, I decided to take up this challenge was because my three-year-old brother, Robert, was recently diagnosed with

a brain tumour. It is hard when children this young are hit with a task so huge," said Maddie. "I was so tired when I finished but I'm glad I did it. It was an amazing trip!

"A massive thanks to all our parents who transported us and organized our B and B's and provided us with delicious lunches! And a huge thank-you to all of you who donated as much as you did! It was certainly more than expected and I really appreciated it!

"The Children's Brain Tumour Research Centre really do need every penny they can get. Thanks again, Maddie x x x"

Sadly Robert passed away in December 2008 www.justgiving.com/maddieharris

Every second counts

When a newborn baby stops breathing every second is vital. Every year 700,000 babies are born in the UK. Most come into the world healthy but, sadly, around 70,000 need some sort of emergency resuscitation in the first moments after birth.

A baby failing to breathe has a greater chance of developing brain damage or, in extreme cases, death. But now, scientists at The University of Nottingham are developing a revolutionary new heart-rate monitor – the Heartlight Sensor – that will help doctors get babies breathing again more quickly and save more lives.

Doctors currently assess a baby's heart rate during resuscitation through a stethoscope but this method is subject to human error, can get in the way of resuscitation and may fail to detect sudden problems.

We need to raise £115,000 to help us to develop the University's tiny, hands-free electronic heart-rate monitor – a potentially revolutionary device – so it can be used in hospitals and at home for babies at risk of cot death. We welcome donations of any size and if you gift aid your donation and you're a UK tax payer, we receive an extra 28p per £1 – boosting your donation.





Alumni make great things happen

Sutton Bonington alumni are helping to transform the campus with new facilities improving the student experience.

The major developments include a new climbing and bouldering wall facility and the purchase of new equipment for music, drama and dance for a new music room created from the converted former squash courts. Alumni funds also made a significant contribution to the gym area of the new £2.4 million SB Sports Centre, which comprises a four-court badminton sports hall, squash courts, a practice room and fitness suite.

As well as the new amenities many alumni and friends have supported the Professor GE Lamming Memorial Fund, which enables Sutton Bonington postgraduate students to cover the cost of travelling to key international conferences and research institutes where they are able to exchange research ideas with other scientists.

Thank you for giving to The University of Nottingham

With its origins as an adult education centre in 1789, The University of Nottingham was officially born in 1948 with the granting of its Royal Charter. From these historic beginnings Nottingham has rapidly developed into a highly respected leading global research and educational institution with a modern, dynamic vision for the 21st century

The University has been built on philanthropy and following World War One, our first significant benefactor, Sir Jesse Boot, generously gave us Highfields (now University Park). He probably couldn't have imagined that ninety years later we would have additional award winning campuses in the UK, China and Malaysia providing some of the best teaching and research facilities in the world.

Indeed, it has been the continued investment in teaching, research and our campus environment that have been instrumental in helping the University to rapidly move up the world university

rankings. The resources required to achieve this investment come from many sources but one of the most crucial continues to be philanthropic donations from alumni and close friends of the University. Last year alone over £6M in gifts was donated to the University which places us firmly in the top tier of universities in this regard. This is testament to the generosity and pride our alumni and friends have in this great institution.

In order to thank and recognise the importance the University attaches to our donors we have decided to introduce the Nottingham Leaders Circle. Nottingham Leaders are alumni, friends and supporters who donate £1000 or more annually.

For recent leavers (those who have left within the last 10 years) the threshold for entry into the Nottingham Leaders Circle is £250 annually. Gifts such as these are making a tangible difference to the success of the University by contributing to

scholarships, student hardship funds plus improved and enhanced student facilities.

The University would like to sincerely thank everybody who has contributed gifts, no matter what size, to aid our development and we are delighted to keep all of you informed of how your donations are making a difference through the annual Donor Exchange Newsletter and other regular electronic bulletins. Nottingham Leaders, and members of the College of Benefactors will also receive additional special invitations to various events, including the annual Donor Day which will be held in Nottingham on Saturday 6 June 2009 .

The University of Nottingham wishes to extend its deep appreciation to those who have given their support by recording their names, or those of their nominees, on the Donor Wall of Honour, which can be found at www.nottingham.ac.uk/development

We pay tribute to all those listed and those who wish to remain anonymous.



Talent

The University of Nottingham's Talent Roadshow 2009

Nottingham's new Vice-Chancellor, Professor David Greenaway, will tour the country throughout this year to meet friends, supporters and alumni.

Talent Roadshows were held towards the end of last year and it has been decided to continue the highly successful series of events with new roadshows coming up in Nottingham, London, Manchester, Edinburgh and Cardiff.

Each roadshow will feature an opportunity to meet the new VC, network with other alumni, friends and supporters, hear about innovative plans for the future of the University as well as news about Nottingham's alumni and development programmes. You will receive updates

too on new breakthroughs in our research portfolio and listen to 'taster lectures' from talented Nottingham academics

The events are free of charge but places are limited and will be issued on a first come first served basis so you must register before coming along.

The first will be in Nottingham on 26 February, the second at Bonhams auction house, New Bond Street, London, on 16 March and the third at the City Art Galleries in Manchester on 7 May.

Other roadshows will be held in Cardiff in June and Edinburgh in the Autumn. Dates to be confirmed.



Annual Fund Grants Awards



William Serwadda, one of the student callers this year.

More alumni are giving back

The number of alumni giving financial support back to the University is set to reach record levels this year.

"Our participation rate among our former Nottingham students is on course to be the highest it has ever been," said Annual Giving Officer Ashley Flint. "One of the reasons has to be the Government's Gift Matching Scheme and our alumni have been even more keen to give back to the University when they realised that their $\pounds 5$ donation is immediately turned into $\pounds 10$ through the scheme."

A team of 55 student callers, based in the Trent Building, have been talking to the alumni community throughout this academic year and enjoying every minute of it.

"The feedback has been fantastic," said Ashley. "Our students have really enjoyed talking to alumni and sharing memories past and present. We've also been able to keep people up-to-date on various developments and events and reunions taking place.

I would just like to thank everyone who has responded so positively to our young students and to emphasise that, whether your support is a gift of $\pounds 5$ a month or $\pounds 50$ a month, you're making a crucial difference."

Making an impact

Thanks to the philanthropic support of alumni and friends of The University of Nottingham, the Annual Fund is enriching the lives of our students as well as others all over the world. Your donation supports many different activities and is one of the main sources of funding for a variety of projects across the University, making it crucial to life at Nottingham.

The leadership of the University, via the Annual Fund Grant Programme has awarded more than £500,000 to 52 different projects up to 1st January, 2009. These grants would not have been possible without your generosity. The grants are open to all members of the University Community (academic students and administrative organisations) and are distributed in three specific ways:

- Enhancing the Student Experience
- Engaging with our Community
- Pump-priming New Research Ideas



Life-changing experiences

Nottingham students were moved, shocked, challenged, warmed and empowered by experiences they had in the schools in townships on the outskirts of Pretoria, South Africa this year.

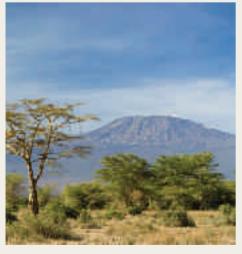
The University's School of Education has already established long standing links with schools in the townships after setting up various projects to sponsor the salary of an extra teacher and send cohorts of PGCE students to gain experience in the schools and to help them.

Thanks to a successful Annual Fund bid, a group of 18 Nottingham students were able to commit to work in the schools – the largest cohort to date. The students were from all of the subject areas offered within the PGCE course, which provided a good range of subject knowledge and skills to offer the South African children and their own teachers and student teachers.

The benefits for the professional development of the Nottingham students were far reaching. When not at work, the Nottingham group also undertook a number of activities to discover, explore and interact with the local and wider community.

Professor Christine Hall of the School of Education said: "All involved express their sincere gratitude to the Annual Fund for making such a life-changing experience possible."





Students climb Kilimanjaro

Fifty-eight Nottingham students celebrated on the morning of 12 September after climbing the tallest free-standing mountain in the world. The Karnival students had reached the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro and in the process raised more than £140,000 for charity. They were supported by a grant of £15,620 from the University's Annual Fund to help cover overheads such as flights, visas and equipment.

The climb was a joint venture between Nottingham Karnival, the fundraising arm of the Students' Union, and international development charity Childreach International. Expedition leader Henry Blanchard said: "Four of our team had to turn back down the mountain during the ascent, through food poisoning and altitude sickness, but compared to the average success rate of 60%, we did rather well for ourselves!

"Overall, the expedition raised a massive sum for children in poverty around the world. We were lucky enough to visit some of the Childreach projects and see directly where the money ended up, and even took on one of the school's football team, winning a hard fought game 1-0. Many, many thanks to all our sponsors, and bring on next year..."













Rebuilding shattered lives

The remote island inhabitants of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands in the Indian Ocean are still rebuilding their lives more than four years after a tsunami tore them apart.

Students from the University's School of Engineering gave them a helping hand in supplying surveying equipment and expertise in how to use it so that they could build an orphanage and community housing on the island. Around 3,500 inhabitants were killed when the tidal wave hit and many children were orphaned or have since been abandoned as families can no longer afford to look after them.

The work also included the design and construction of an innovative rainwater filter, storage and purification system.

The seven-strong student team, which received Annual Fund support to get over there, was led by Philippa Reed (Civil Engineering 2007). "Working with the people there was amazing, they were so interested in what we were doing with them," she said. "It was tough trying to explain how to use the equipment but when we saw how happy the children were despite the fact they had absolutely nothing, it made us realise how lucky we are."

Using skills to rebuild lives overseas

University engineering students are using their skills to get the orphaned children of the Tsunamidevastated South Andaman Island a roof over their heads thanks to a £9,275 grant.

Fast-track PhD programme for Medics

An award of £2 $\overline{4}$,00 $\overline{0}$ is establishing a BMedSci Fast Track PhD Programme. This pump-priming funding is invaluable and helping support three students for two years.

Looking after student medics and nurses

£24,900 has established an innovative service called the Q-active Student Health and Well-Being Project to promote well-being for 5,000 medical students and nurses.

Talking food and drink

The first Food & Drink in Archaeology 2007 Postgraduate Conference was held in the Department of Archaeology.

Saving images for life

Digitising the University's magnificent historic documents in Manuscripts and Special Collections is bringing them into the modern era thanks to a £44 926 award

Enhancing the culture of Fine Art

£24,556 is enabling the School of Education to provide small-scale, yet fully resourced and portable facilities on a new BA (Hons) Fine Art course.

Real-life pharmacy for Nottingham students

A grant of £25,000 has created a fully functional simulation of a state-of-the-art retail pharmacy as a teaching facility for pharmacy students

Inspiring students to fulfill their dreams

A £2,886 award allowed Nottingham students to explore the white water rivers of the Altai Mountains in Siberia and Mongolia for six weeks on the Four Borders Expedition.

Clearing the courts

Seven tennis courts attached to halls of residence on University Park, have been power cleaned, repainted and remarked to give them another five years of life.

Life-changing experience for our young teachers £13,040 helped the School of Education build long-lasting teaching and friendship bridges with poverty-stricken schools in South African townships.

Celebrating opening of the new Rehearsal Hall A large-scale concert by the University Philharmonia and the University Choir at the Albert Hall in Nottingham, celebrated the opening of the new

Rehearsal Hall in the Department of Music.

New Vet School goes from strength to strength
An archiving and Communication System (PACS) has
enabled the new School of Veterinary Science collect

usually seen in academic veterinary hospitals. A summer UK trip for Ningbo students

together large amounts of clinical material, not

Around 350 undergraduates and postgraduates from The University of Nottingham Ningbo, China enjoyed a summer school at the University in Nottingham, thanks to a £25,000 award.

It's a love-match

Enthusiastic University student tennis players set up Jambo Tennis offering coaching to the school children of Kisumu in Kenya, to overcome the barriers of poverty, illness and poor living conditions.

Financial safety net for international students An award of £25,000 is being made available for

An award of £25,000 is being made available for an International Student Hardship Fund for international students in extreme financial hardship.

Engineering a solution for Bolivian orphans

Graduate engineers are designing and building a safe and efficient sanitary wastewater treatment system providing 200 Bolivian orphans with clean and safe water as part of the Engineers Without Borders project.

Careers help for students and alumni

A £24,690 award is helping the University's School of Careers identify alumni who can offer advice to current students and recent alumni.

High-flying blowers

Almost 50 BlowSoc members enjoyed their fifth European tour with an extra date in Belgium thanks to a £1.500 award.

Let's put on a show!

Children at the William Sharp School at Bilborough in Nottingham, worked with professional dancers and choreographers to stage a special performance, thanks to a £950 grant from the Annual Fund.

Floating the name of Nottingham worldwide Nottingham scientist and ballooning world record holder Dr Janet Folkes, plans to fly the Nottingham balloon over the Great Wall of China.

Enhancing the University Museum

A far-reaching plan to establish the University's museum as a nexus for a wide range of outreach, teaching and research activities, has been given a boost with an £8,000 award.

Volunteers act as healthcare simulators

A new and innovative University project is recruiting the general public to take part in the training of future healthcare professionals by acting as simulated patients.

Bowled over after half a century

The University Bowls Club celebrated their 50th anniversary with a dinner dance to commemorate the occasion thanks, in part, to a £2,210 award.

A musical celebration of achievements

The University's MusSoc hit the high notes after an award of \pounds 1,500 helped them to visit Prague on a 10th Anniversary Tour with a choir and orchestra.

Essential equipment boost for research

An award of £17,405 is providing core equipment to facilitate research involving DNA samples in a number of important areas.

A neonatal MRI incubator unit

A £31,000 grant is helping create a safer environment for sick infants and to allow MRI research projects to be performed by providing a neonatal MRI incubator unit at the QMC in Nottingham.

Canine solutions to improve the quality of lives Nottingham researcher and alumnus Dr Nicola Hendey has received support for a Senior Research Fellowship to help further investigate her research ideas involving the use of dogs.

New in 2008

Nursing Elective in Uganda

 $\pounds 1000$ enabled two students on our Masters of Nursing Science course to work with a Christian Charity to gain experience in caring for children with HIV/AIDS.

Blowsoc and MusSoc tours 2008

50 students had the opportunity to perform a series of concerts and a varied repertoire of music in prestigious venues in Provence and Krakow, Poland.

Annual Student Human Rights Conference

Your support of £3,880 helped many exceptional students attend the 2008 conference by helping with travel bursaries and accommodation costs.

Kamchatka 2008 Mapping Expedition

Six Nottingham undergraduates underwent intensive training in fieldwork skills in the remote Bystrinsky Nature Park – a UNESCO World Heritage Site in central Kamchatka, Russia, known for its pristine ecosystems and globally unique forests.

Centre for Global Finance, UNNC

Support for China-based research by non-Chinese speaking UoN and UNNC academics in the field of finance

Volunteer Teaching in the Townships

A gift of £16,000 has helped the School of Education forge even closer links with primary schools in the townships of Attridgeville and Mamalodi near Pretoria in South Africa.

Nottingham University Samworth Academy

£6,500 is being used to establish a pilot reading project in Bilborough to extend individual literacy, improve mental well-being and build community through shared weekly reading groups.

Students' Union New Theatre

Nottingham's award winning New Theatre staged two plays at the National Student Drama Festival 2008 thanks, in part, to your gift of £1,800.

2008 Nottingham trip for Ningbo students

120 undergraduates and 113 postgraduates from The University of Nottingham, Ningbo, China, enjoyed a Summer Institute at the University in Nottingham, thanks to your support.

Legal Advice Line for the community

£3,000 is being used to fund a part-time administrator so that Nottingham Law students can set up a free legal advice line to help members of the local community.

Expedition to Kilimanjaro

Karnival, the Student Union's fundraising body, conquered Mount Kilimanjaro and raised £140,000 for the global children's charity, 'Childreach International' – all thanks to your £15,620 gift.

UNNC 3rd Arts Festival

The festival received a grant of £750

The Third Business Competition It received an award of 3,000

University of Nottingham Ningbo,

China, Community Action
Received £1,000

The following projects were awarded funding in November 2008, and we will let you know more about these projects in our next Donor Exchange Magazine.

- Grose-Macdonald Woodvale Atlantic Rowing Race 2009
- · Chinese New Year gala and Chinese culture show
- Education Africa's sustainable Educational Architecture Programme
- Nottingham Malaysian Games 2009
- · Photosoc Committee Training

If you would like to make an application to the Annual Fund please go to the link below:

www.nottingham.ac.uk/development/local/AnnualFundGrants

DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT

The Annual Fund



Giving something back to the University now means twice as much

Thanks to the UK Government's new gift matching scheme, Nottingham can double the value of your donation to the Annual Fund until 2011, ensuring even more students will benefit from your generosity.

The Annual Fund invests in a variety of programmes, services and facilities, which not only enhance the student experience on campus, but also enriches lives across the world.

We have set an ambitious target: to raise £1m over the next three years, which we are matching pound for pound. So please support the Annual Fund this year.

Your gift really will have double the impact.

"As a student at Nottingham I enjoyed and benefited greatly from my time as an undergraduate. It's great to see the tangible differences that the Annual Fund makes to the University, the local community in Nottingham, and across the world. I am delighted to give my support to the University's Annual Fund."

Alex Mowforth, Ancient History 1995

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Thank you – your gift really will have double the impact



A paper lantern for a 'greener' planet

The University has unveiled one of the 'greenest' and most distinctive new buildings in higher education, in the shape of a lantern.

The Ko Lee Institute of Sustainable Development, The Centre for Sustainable Energy Technology — at the campus of The University of Nottingham Ningbo China — places environmental innovation at the heart of the world's fastest growing economy and most rapidly developing nation and will house some of the world's leading experts in sustainable energy technology.

The centre was launched in East China in May 2008 by the then Vice-Chancellor Professor Sir Colin Campbell, who thanked Mr Kin-Kwok Chung, Chairman of the Maxdo Group, for his 'tremendous support' of the work of the university. He also expressed continuing gratitude to the Wanli Education Group.

Mr Kin-Kwok Chung has been a major benefactor to the University over many years, from his support of scholarships to help in opening a University office in Shanghai and most recently his major donation to help fund two new research institutes at the University's Ningbo campus.

Big Swim for Children's Brain Tumour Research Centre

Sixteen-year-old Kirsty Davis and her dad Keith had a special reason to take part in the University of Nottingham's annual Big Swim.

Kirsty was just three years old when she was diagnosed with a benign brain tumour. She underwent major surgery but the pressure of the tumour on her optic nerve reduced her vision to two small tunnels of light. However, her limited vision has not stopped Kirsty achieving her greatest ambition of getting the GCSE's she needed to do photography at A' Level.

Father and daughter took part in the 2008 Big Swim — formally known as the Million Metre Swim — to raise funds for The Children's Brain Tumour Research Centre (CBTRC) where Kirsty was treated. The centre was set up over ten years ago by the University and so far swimmers

have raised well over £35,000 to help fund research carried out by CBTRC.

Kirsty, who is still a patient at the centre which is based at the Queen's Medical Centre in Nottingham, said: "I've never let my problems get in the way of doing something I wanted to do. This event will be my opportunity to do something for young people like me and to raise money for all-important research to improve their chances of survival and the treatments available to them."

Brain tumours account for 2 per cent of all childhood cancers. Around 400 children under the age of 16 are diagnosed with brain or spine tumours every year. Many of the children who survive will live the rest of their lives with significant disability related to brain damage caused by the tumour or its treatment.

The 2008 swim was also supported by Speedo and ran alongside the CBTRC's annual open day which highlighted the work carried out by the centre. Among the displays and children's activities there was a specially created performance by Nottingham Youth Dance in association with the New English Contemporary Ballet, which is based in Nottingham.



The BP Scholarship Programme



A trio of new awards from global energy group BP is supporting Nottingham students and rewarding academic excellence. BP is committed to encouraging, supporting and rewarding students through education and at the same time providing opportunities for potential future employment.

To support this commitment BP and The University of Nottingham have established a Scholarship Programme to be launched during the 2008/2009 academic year providing financial support to a broad range of students. The BP Ambition Awards (£500) provide financial support in the first year of study to undergraduate students from the

East Midlands who are from a low income background and are the first generation of their family to attend University. The BP Achievement Award (£2,000) is awarded primarily on the basis of excellent academic achievement to penultimate year undergraduate students.

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University partnership with 'Santander Universities'



New scholarships and awards are available to international students at the University under an agreement with Abbey National plc, Banco Santander's UK subsidiary.

The University has signed a three-year agreement to help strengthen research and teaching links with universities in Latin America, Spain and Portugal and to develop a variety of projects within the 'Santander Universities' Global Division scheme. Nine 'Santander Abbey' Scholarships for postgraduate students will be awarded for each of the three years of the agreement. Candidates must be from one of the 11

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Banco Santander, over the last 12 years, has channelled almost half a billion Euros into academia through co-operative agreements with 625 universities in Spain, Latin America, Portugal, Russia, the United States and the UK.



A new drive to inspire the next generation of engineers

A new fund launched to enthuse young people about engineering, has raised a staggering £10,000 in just a few months.

The TH Barton Innovation Fund was launched as part of the centenary celebrations to mark the very first Barton bus service in Nottingham in 1908. The University is running the new charitable fund, set up by Barton plc, to encourage more young people to study engineering at degree level and take it up as a career. They will be following in the footsteps of TH Barton OBE (1866-1946), who studied engineering at University College Nottingham in the 1890s.

The TH Barton Innovation Fund is supporting outreach work within the University's Faculty of Engineering, including a range of activities for both primary and secondary school children on campus and in local schools.

The first scheduled Barton bus service set off from The Green in Long Eaton at 8am on October 1, 1908, travelling via Beeston into Nottingham's Market Square. A century later, the route still runs — and still bears the Barton name. Although the bus business was sold by Barton plc (the founding company) to Trent Barton in 1989, Barton plc is still investing in the Nottingham area, now run by Simon Barton (pictured standing), TH Barton's Great Grandson, the Managing Director of the company and University of Nottingham alumnus.

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