

HARTLEY COLLEGE

PAST PUPILS' ASSOCIATION (UK)

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25 PLUS

A lot done, a lot more to do

RISE UP ALL HARTLEYITES OUR MOTHER SHE DOTH CALL,

Dear Hartleyites and Friends,

We on behalf of the committee wish all our members and friends a happy and prosperous new year.

Whilst thanking the committee of the 25th year for their determination and courage in facing several challenges, It is undeniable that this made the Silver Jubilee year an eventful one and left some unforgettable memories. We look forward to their continued support.

Further, we wish to thank those who have attended the AGM on the 15th November 2008 and for appointing us unanimously to represent you for this year. Those of you who could not make it due to other commitments, we urge you to join us in this year of 25 PLUS.

Our 25 PLUS team include members from all walks of life who share a belief in alma mater and responsibility and commitment to changing our school for the better.

A PREVIEW TO 25 PLUS

25 PLUS team who met for the first time on the 18th January 2009 had a fruitful and interactive deliberation on various important issues including the matters that arose aftermath of our principal's visit and the mechanism of the Global trust.

1. A NEW WEBSITE

The team unanimously agreed on the launching of a new website for HCPPA (UK). This was considered as a long wanted one and our younger members have taken the initiative to design the site. We expect the launching of this new site to take place any time in February 2009.

2. PAST PRESIDENTS' CONSORTIUM - PPA

We learned through experience with the association that all our past presidents are very much committed. They are very influential and devoted Hartleyites. We need their service for the younger generation.

Whilst appreciating the other office bearers and the members who have contributed immensely in the past for the alma mater, presidents are people who lead the team in the past year after year.

Hence the 25 PLUS team has decided to pool and respect them under the banner of Past Presidents' Consortium (PPC). The members of PPC will be treated as VIPs to whom the younger members can approach without any hesitation for any future advice and purpose.

3. A DIRECTORY FOR ALL HARTLEYITES

HARTLEYITES IN UK - 2009

Hartleyites in UK can become subscribers to this directory by paying their membership fee. The subscription form contains an option to check whether any member feels concerned about their contact details appearing in the directory.

The directory will encourage Hartleyites around the UK to become a member. It will also serve as a year end souvenir with various news items and will be presented at the AGM and Dinner.

25 PLUS has agreed that if any Hartleyites or outsiders want to promote their businesses or profession, they are welcome to do so. Please book your pages by contacting our Directory team leader Dr.R.Sivakumar who will provide the rates for cover pages and full and half page.

4. A WORTHY PROJECT FOR OUR ALMA MATER

Our principal, who was our chief guest for the silver jubilee celebrations, has presented a list of present needs of the college.

An in-depth discussion with the principal has revealed his expectation from our branch. Our team has enthusiastically agreed in one voice to undertake this noble project to build a new canteen as it is considered to be one of the most urgent needs.

25 PLUS team has decided to embark on a fund raising rather than using the reserve fund. In the event of any shortfall, the residue will be met out of the reserve. Accordingly, the principal was informed to go ahead with drawing up a plan for the building with modern facilities to stand for the next generation.

According to the principal, the project would cost nearly Rs.1, 800,000 which is approximately £10,000. The money will be dispersed in instalments according to the requirements and based on submitting the progress report. Further, we have requested the Global Trust to over see the progress of the project.

We therefore earnestly request our Hartleyites to support this worthy project wisely as this will serve our young Hatleyites with better canteen facilities and hygienic food.

A flyer and token tickets of £50.00 and £100.00 will be available to our Hartley Community for this purpose and an official receipt will be issued for the money collected on sale of these tickets. The donors' name and the sum donated will appear in the "Hartleyites in UK - 2009" directory.

5. OUR ANNUAL PROGRAMME FOR 25 PLUS

Please come forward and enjoy these events to experience the good old days with your fellow peers. We have planned to have the following events for the 25 PLUS.

- Kalaivasantham A cultural and musical extravaganza by the children of Hartleyites.
 In early April 2009
- Gala day sports meet A whole day programme Football tournaments, track and field events for the children and a BBQ party for the Hartleyites' families and friends.
 On 27th June 2009
- Battle of the Blues A cricket encounter with Hindu old boys. Another day outing to cheer our cricketers.

 On 4th July 2009
- AGM and Dinner Dinner and dance till dawn on 14 November 2009

We have taken great care in choosing the dates for the events by allowing school examinations, holidays and other function dates.

Despite the above arrangements to make 25 PLUS an eventful one, we can't deny the situation back home where hundreds and thousands of our people are made homeless. Therefore, many of our members' attention are with the well being of their loved ones.

We may adjust or alter the events and dates according to the situation back home and such changes will be notified in time.

If you support what we are doing, why not get involved?

We enclose herewith a subscription (Membership) form to our directory of HARTLEYITES IN UK – 2009.

Thanking you

Yours truly,

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