



# The Wykeham Collegiate Old Girls' Guild

*Connecting our Past to the Future*

## **Welcome**

The Girls' Collegiate Old Girls' Guild and the Wykeham Old Girls' Association, formed in 1907 and 1916 respectively, were combined when The Wykeham Collegiate officially opened in 1990 to form The Wykeham Collegiate Old Girls' Guild. Today our main focus is to preserve the proud traditions and connect the histories of all three schools.

## **Connecting Our Past to the Future**

Another of the Guild's primary objectives is to connect our Old Girls with each other and with the school and to encourage the establishment of branches in other centres. As TWC Old Girls we're part of a global family that spans more than a century and together we have a shared heritage with alumni all over the world. As your Alma Mater, we want you to know that TWC will always be here for you, no matter where you go, in good times and in bad. Whether you attended Girls' Collegiate, Wykeham or The Wykeham Collegiate for one year or for fourteen years, we consider you to be one of us!

## **Paying it Forward**

*Educating Women for the Real World* requires funding. The Guild has been involved in raising funds for bursaries to enable daughters of Old Girls to attend the school and, as of 2018, this bursary will be available every year. Should you wish to add a codicil to your will in favour of The Wykeham Collegiate Old Girls' Guild or to make a donation, please contact the Old Girls' Liaison for help in managing this process and claiming the tax deduction to which you will be entitled. Your financial generosity, no matter how small the sum, will make a tangible difference in the life of this school as we continue to build on the vision and legacy of our founders.

## **Staying in touch**

We encourage our Old Girls to visit the school at any time. Even if you are back from abroad for only a short period, we love visitors. Please stay in touch with us by keeping us informed of your achievements and successes, and by notifying us of any changes of address and personal details. You can update your details on our website or by sending an email. If you haven't yet joined the Old Girls' Guild, or if you would like to check that we have your details on record, please email our Old Girls Liaison Officer at [oldgirls@twc.org.za](mailto:oldgirls@twc.org.za). You can also contact us via our Old Girls' Facebook Page or Instagram.



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## **Honouring our Old Girls**

As a school, we are very proud of our Old Girls and consider them to be one of our greatest assets. We are proud of the mark they have made in business, on the home front or society in general, and know that they still embrace the school's motto of FORWARD IN FAITH. We give special recognition, once a year at Reunion Day, to an Old Girl whose efforts to give back to her community have been exceptional. Should you consider one of your fellow Old Girls to be a worthy nominee, please complete a nomination form which you will find on our website or Facebook page. All nominations should be submitted to the Old Girls' Liaison Officer by 31 December each year and will be reviewed by the Old Girls' Committee. The award will be presented annually on Reunion Day.

## **Digital Archives**

Together with the school, the Old Girls have been able to assist in the ambitious undertaking of digitising old photos and magazines. This project will underpin the important process of engaging former pupils from across the globe, exposing prospective pupils to our history and giving current pupils and staff a sense of identity with the proud traditions of The Wykeham Collegiate. We believe this is particularly important in the bringing of our three histories together. If you would like to make a financial contribution towards this enterprise, please contact the Old Girls Liaison Officer on [oldgirls@twc.org.za](mailto:oldgirls@twc.org.za).

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