



Old Edwardians Association
Sheffield

Newsletter January 2026



ANNUAL DINNER 2026

**The date is getting closer! Please get your bookings in now
for the Annual Dinner!**

**The 2026 dinner
will be held once again at Bramall Lane on
Friday 13th March.**

Reservation details are on the website. [CLICK HERE](#) to make your reservations. It would help us enormously if you could book as early as possible so we can get an idea of numbers well in advance. Your cooperation is very much appreciated and, as ever, we look forward to seeing you there!

MEMBERS LISTS are available on the website if you are looking for old classmates to join you.

Click here [Membership page](#)

Hover your mouse over the "Membership " icon and you will see a drop down list of year groups. Let me know and I'll put you in contact.

Friday 13th March 2026
1889 Suite
Sheffield United FC
Bramall Lane S2 4SU

Dress: Smart/Casual
7.00 for 7.30pm
Price: £45 Parking on Cherry St

70th Anniversary

The class of 1967-68 is celebrating 70th birthdays in the Arctic Circle!

Several members of the year, including Mike Wille, Clive Porter, Chris Kitson, Andy Little, Martin Woo and partners, have lined up an Arctic Cruise for the festivities....

<https://www.fredolencruises.com/cruise/northern-lights-l2608?queryID=46e78a71fe6970f0be25f419d1a2ace2>

Anyone interested??

Please contact Clive Porter clivetp56@gmail.com

LinkedIn

As part of our aims to improve communications we are delighted to have hooked up with Abdul Aziz (1990-94) who moderates the King Edward VII School LinkedIn group. There are around 300 members of that group online and Abdul is now kindly posting the Annual Dinner and newsletters on the site.

Please check out <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/2349569/> for further info.

Many thanks Abdul!

Obituaries

Roger Laughton 1953-60

Roger Laughton, son of OE Professor Eric Laughton (distinguished alumnus), died in 2025 after a long battle with dementia. Roger was deputy head boy in 1959-60 and for the last 20 years went on regular walking holidays with fellow KES contemporaries Michael Lodge, Frank Smith, Jeremy Thorp, David Young and James Dalglish.

Thank to Michael Lodge for this news.

Richard Mann 1968-74

Rick Mann died in April 2025. (Steve Biggins 1968-75)

Paul Knight 1965-72

Paul Frederick Knight died tragically in British Columbia on 14th July 2018 aged 64 years - a retired dentist and Old Edwardian. (John Robins 1965-72)

Robert Hutt 1960-67

Robert Anthony Hutt died in Pontypridd in October 2025. (Don Nicolson 1959-66)

Membership

Welcome to new members and many thanks for your subscriptions:

Michael Lodge 1953-60
Corin Robertson 1980-89
John Blackburn 1968-75
Fiona Kennedy 1974-81

Your subscriptions, however big or small, are hugely important to the Association and to the School.

It's easy to subscribe – [CLICK HERE](#) for the website page with application form and bank details for your standing order!

Distinguished Alumni - NEW YEAR'S HONOURS!

Many thanks to Dr Michael Crawford (1964-70) for the news that....

Professor Sir Simon Wessely (1968-75), regius professor of psychiatry at King 's College London, has received a top honour for his services to mental health.

"The former president of the Royal College of Psychiatrists has been made a Knight Grand Cross (GBE). His main areas of research have been in unexplained symptoms, military health, clinical trials and how populations and people react to adversity. The award marks how much attitudes have changed to psychiatry. He said "There's no point in pretending that we were not at the bottom of the heap in virtually everything compared to the rest of the medical profession, and the same was true for those with mental ill health."

[CLICK HERE](#) for the distinguished alumni web page.

School News

We're delighted to announce the school has been awarded the John Moss Trophy for sporting activities...



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KES is tremendously proud to be awarded with the John Moss Trophy 2025 for the range of sporting activities it provides for students in the School. The trophy was awarded by the Sheffield Federation for School Sports. More information by accessing the details on the photograph.



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The John Moss trophy 2025: Huge congratulations to Mr Tom Grantham, Miss Jenny Murray and the PE department at KES!



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the latest Winter Newsletter from the School

Help with Contacts

Sorry to trouble you all but we really need to enlist your help in getting our contact email addresses updated.

To give you an idea of the problem, from the last newsletter we sent out we had 74 bounce backs, which means that the addresses we have for those members are no longer recognised, or have some other network problem.

We've attached the list below of those names involved and we would hugely appreciate if anyone has any news or more recent email addresses.

For instance, its very common that when someone retires they stop using a work email and forget to inform us of their new one. On occasions, we eventually, and by chance, get contact saying they haven't heard anything from us for ages and it's usually down to a change of email. It may also be that we have a wrong spelling as well of course!

So, anything you can do to help would assist us in keeping everyone up to date, and particularly now we are sending out regular newsletters it's a shame for some to miss out.

Here's the list:

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Many thanks!

FINAL THOUGHT

Thanks to you all for reading the newsletter and for your comments.

Hope to see you all at the dinner in March - get your bookings in now!

Pete Kersh

Check out our new website

www.old-Edwardians-sheffield.com

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