

DGC Statement

12th June 2020

We have been contacted recently by a few people confused about our relationship with the Sir John Cass's Foundation, which we will now wish to clarify.

David Game College is housed within a building that is owned by Sir John Cass's Foundation - who are our landlords. The College is totally independent of the Sir John Cass's Foundation, but there is a working relationship based on the need for co-operation, as both entities share the building. David Game College is aware that the Sir John Cass's Foundation are sensitive to the prevailing issues around race and the how certain historic individuals acquired wealth directly or indirectly from the slave trade. The College have been assured by the Foundation that they will remove the statue of Sir John Cass at the front of the building, a decision which we believe they were giving serious consideration to in as early as February of this year.

As an independent College with a very diverse staff and student body, the College supports this action and is of the opinion that the Sir John Cass's Foundation has made the right decision and will continue to explore how it will evolve its own narrative.

As an independent co-educational establishment, which takes students from over 30 countries and whose student body is very representative of the ethnic diversity within London, David Game College has always championed the rights of everyone; we also believe, knowing and working with Sir John Cass's Foundation, they share exactly the same values and beliefs and have supported the local community tirelessly.

We will work closely with the Foundation to ensure that all the best decisions are made over the coming days and weeks. The College believes that education and supporting those in the local community who may not be able to afford access to private education is the best way that we can demonstrate our commitment to East London and help our students achieve their dreams irrespective of their colour, race, creed or origin.

John Dalton

Vice Principal

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