AGM AND ANNUAL LECTURE
Friday, September 17, 2021
Royal Grammar School, Eskdale Terrace, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 4DX

The evening’s timetable will be as follows:
6.00 pm AGM
6.30 pm Substantial finger buffet (provided by Epicurus and Guest Wines)
7.30 pm Annual lecture given by Dr David Gosling, Clare Hall, Cambridge

Dr David L. Gosling is well known as both a scientist and a theologian. His work in world religions is of particular interest, especially following the publication of his book, *Frontier of Fear: Confronting the Taliban on Pakistan’s Border*. Between 2006 and 2010 Dr Gosling lived in Peshawar, the provincial capital of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, where he was principal of Edwardes College, a prestigious higher education college, affiliated with the University of Peshawar. In his book, Gosling describes his time at Edwardes College and the challenges and changes of his tenure. It was already the first co-educational college in the province, and Gosling significantly increased the proportion of female students and staff. The book also describes the early stages of Taliban growth in Afghanistan, its spill-over into the tribal borderlands of Pakistan and how a combination of Pakistan army activity and US drone strikes provoked a furious backlash by Taliban groups against civilian targets in and around Peshawar, including death threats against the author. We look forward very much to Dr Gosling’s highly topical lecture, which is entitled ‘Violence and hope on Pakistan’s border: an educational encounter’.

The cost per person for the event will be £20.00. To book, please complete the booking form below and return it by **Wednesday, September 8th, 2021** to: NCA Treasurer, Mrs. Susan Austin, 116 Queen’s Road, Whitley Bay, NE26 3AU; Tel. 0191 2531269; email: susannaustin@hotmail.com.

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No. of persons attending ______ Special dietary requirements (vegetarian/other): ____________________________

Name(s) of Guest(s): _______________________________________________________

☐ I have made an electronic payment to HSBC account no. 60618446; sort code 40-34-18, quoting ref. AGM/(my name).

☐ (OR) I enclose a cheque for £ __________ payable to Northumbrian Cambridge Association

**Acknowledgements will be sent by email or by post if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed.**

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**NOTE:** Parking is available in the school grounds – enter at the bottom of Eskdale Terrace, next to Jesmond Parish Church – or on the neighbouring roads. Jesmond Metro Station is just across the road.

☐ Please send directions to the Royal Grammar School.