



**A MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER GUNNER ST JAMES'S PARK  
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ARTILLERY DAY – 26th MAY 2025**

I wish to extend my personal greetings and best wishes to all 'Gunners' of the Royal Regiment of Artillery and members of the Commonwealth artilleries, serving and retired, and their families, across the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth on this year's Artillery Day, 26th May 2025.

The announcement last month by the Royal Regiment of Artillery and the Brigade of Gurkhas of the formation of The King's Gurkha Artillery (KGA) is splendid news. I am immensely proud of our diverse people, trades and equipments, all with a long and rich history of service around the globe. The formation of the KGA is the exciting next chapter in that history. Delivering Close Support batteries, the KGA will offer fresh opportunities to the soldiers of the Brigade of Gurkhas and add even greater depth and diversity to the Royal Regiment of Artillery. It is a fitting blend of two historic organisations that will offer the British Army, and future coalitions, ever-greater fighting power.

We remain one extended Regimental family, and for those struggling for whatever reason, this is when our Regimental charitable networks come to the fore. It does not matter how long somebody has served; the timeless adage, '*Once a Gunner, Always a Gunner*' drives our welfare support and we must all look after the whole of our family when difficulty or crisis looms.

I therefore wish all Gunners, serving and retired, home and abroad, and their families, my very best wishes for Artillery Day on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Keep your guard up, stay safe and continue to honour our motto, 'Quo Fas et Gloria Ducunt' – 'Where Right and Glory Lead.'