



The ultimate obligation to finance school fees lies with the parents of the pupils. Financial support in the form of a means-tested Bursary will only be considered after all other avenues for financing school fees have been exhausted.

All applicants must supply a completed Bursary Application Form. No means-tested Bursaries will proceed until this form has been completed.

***Factors taken into consideration when assessing a family's financial situation include:***

- Opportunities to release capital either through increased mortgages or sale of investments;
- The ability to improve the earning power of the family. In the case of two parent families, both parents would be expected to be earning where possible;
- Commitments to the education of other siblings will be taken into account, but where a family has children at other fee-paying schools, parents are expected to have made Bursary application to the other schools also;
- Applicants have asked their extended family for support before requesting a means-tested Bursary;
- The financial circumstances of both natural parents. In the case of re-marriage the application should include the step parent's financial information. The obligation of the step parent to his or her natural children will be taken into account;
- Where families are resident locally there is an expectation that parents consider the option of day fees where boarding fees are beyond their means.

As financial circumstances can change, all Bursaries are subject to review. Successful applicants can expect to have to provide updated financial information at any time, at the sole discretion of the school.

***Bursaries are conditional on:***

- the recipient working hard and contributing positively to the life of the School;
- compliance with the Terms & Conditions as set out in the Parent Contract;
- payment in accordance with the Terms & Conditions: either on the first day of term or the School's Direct Debit Scheme.