

Foundation **Awards**

Creating
LIFE-CHANGING
opportunities



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TRANSFORM LIVES

The aim of the **Foundation Awards** is to transform the lives of talented young people, giving them the chance to flourish with a Dean Close education. Particularly intended to support those pupils who can really contribute to school life, take part, and inspire those around them.

Our aim is to have one Foundationer in every year group, in every house.

Since 2018 we have funded 10 Foundationers.

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Since the establishment of the awards in 2018, we have witnessed the life-changing impact first-hand.

It's hard to overstate just how much of a difference the awards make. For many, financial constraints may prevent a child from attending a school like Dean Close. These awards give a young person the opportunity to receive an education that will shape their future.



Awards we have achieved so far:

Alan Dick Foundation Award

The Denys Carnill Award

Julie Kent Foundation Award

The Old Decanian Society Foundation Award

The Class of 2018-2022 Foundation Awards



POSITIVE IMPACT

“As an eleven year old boy, I was awarded a bursary. So I left my primary school in Manchester’s Rusholme for a senior school education at Monkton Combe. Looking back now, I can see that before my own bursary I had a limited palette. Then, with all the opportunities on offer at my new school, life became Technicolor. Now, as a Headmaster, I can relate to pupils going through this transformational experience and know first-hand the impact it can have. I also greatly value the greater social diversity that bursaries bring, because I believe the ability to empathise is one of the key skills we must give all our pupils.”

Bradley Salisbury ~ Head of Dean Close School

The presence of a Foundationer can enrich the learning experience for everyone, providing diversity, improved academic performance and a sense of community.



“I have witnessed first-hand the positive impact that Foundationers bring to our community. Cherissa and Grace, two of our recent Foundationers, are both strong, independent pupils from different educational and cultural backgrounds, and their professional and mature approach to work have encouraged their peers to evaluate their own practice and take more responsibility in their studies. Their enthusiasm and determination are contagious, and our class discussions have been enriched by their contributions and insights into different perspectives”

Dr Mayumi Bradley ~ Assistant Director of Studies & Teacher of Biology



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read more from
Dr Bradley.

SPEAKING FROM THE HEART



Cherissa with Sally Kenward, daughter of the late Denys Carnill

“Dad would be very honoured to know that this Foundation Award is helping to provide the education and opportunities he so valued, at a school that he loved and was proud to be a part of. We know he would be absolutely delighted!”

The Denys Carnill Family

“Being a Denys Carnill award holder has been an incredible experience. Even though I will be leaving Dean Close this year, I will not forget the things I have learnt over the past four years. The opportunities I have had, has given me many amazing memories and friends that I will remember for the rest of my life! I am so grateful to the people who give to the award. Thank you so much for giving me this time at Dean Close.”

Cherissa ~ Denys Carnill Foundationer 2018-2023



Scan here to listen to two of our recent Foundation pupils, Cherissa and Grace, who speak with Bradley Salisbury and their classmates, about just what a difference the opportunity to attend Dean Close has made to their lives and the whole of the Dean Close Community.

Create a future full of
educational memories for
a young person, today!

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I am grateful for the opportunities this experience has given me. Boarding at Dean Close has helped me to further mature, preparing me for uni. I've been immersed in a new culture and have become more independent. I have immersed myself in my academic studies as well as engaging with the school Sustainability group and various speech-giving opportunities. Having this platform to talk about issues close to my heart has further impassioned me, and I look forward to carrying this skill into future careers and interaction.

Grace ~ Julie Kent Foundationer 2021-2023



VOICES OF SUPPORT

We feel privileged to have been able to send our daughter to Dean Close and were pleased to gift her leaver's deposit back to the school... we hope this helps someone less fortunate to have the wide range of opportunities that Dean Close provides. The Foundation Award scheme seems to be an important evolution of the schools values and ethos and we were pleased to have contributed towards it.

Andrew & Holly Troughton ~ Current Parents

"I realise the great opportunities that some young people have and the reality that this is not the case for many. I feel a strong responsibility to try to give something back to those less fortunate, so they too have the chance to thrive and succeed and create great opportunities for their future. It's about trying to create more equality and inclusion."

Louise McMahon ~ Current Parent

"Between the ages of 10 and 18 I was extremely fortunate to enjoy a Dean Close education thanks to a music scholarship; without this opportunity, I would not have been part of the Dean Close family. Supporting the Dean Close Foundation Awards project allows me to pass on that good fortune, so that someone else might enjoy the breadth of education and support that was so formative for me."

Matthew Shayle ~ OD

"I believe that education is the greatest gift adults can give to the next generation, and all children deserve this and want it. I teach, coach and tutor, I also govern in schools needing improvement. When the Foundation was established, I decided to donate one hours work a week to giving a child the opportunity of a Dean Close education, like my own children received, that would not otherwise be possible."

Vanessa Aris ~ Former Staff and Parent



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