

BURSARIES POLICY

Means tested bursaries of up to 100% remission of fees may be awarded to girls who do well in the entrance examinations for 6 Junior, 7 Junior and I Senior, and whose families cannot afford the full school fees. Exceptionally, bursaries may also be awarded to older age groups.

The school will advertise the availability of bursaries annually in the lead up to open days and permanently on the school's website. Entrance examination candidates (for entry into 6 Junior, 7 Junior and IS) will have an opportunity to be considered for a bursary, by ticking the appropriate box on the entry form. Parents of pupils already at the school are also eligible to apply. Further information may be obtained from the Head of Finance & Operations.

Parents will be asked to complete and submit a comprehensive questionnaire about their family's income and expenditure, for which the school reserves the right to appoint an independent financial assessor. Financial need will then be assessed. Candidates will be prioritised, starting with the girl with the highest score in the entrance examinations. The Head will assess the value of school reports and examination performance for older age groups.

Bursary funds are finite and offers will depend on overall demand and on available resources. When demand is high in relation to the resources available to support bursary commitments, there may be fewer new bursaries and individual offers may be constrained.

The bursary sub-committee is responsible for overseeing the awards process and for agreeing the annual allocation, but information given to trustees will be anonymised. This sub-committee consists of the Head, the Head of Operations & Finance, and a nominated member(s) of School Council.

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