

# BURSARY

**To qualify you must be aged under 19 on the 31st of August in the academic year in which you start your programme of study and a legal resident of the UK or registered asylum seeker. There will be three levels of the Bursary and you can apply for ONE only:**

**Vulnerable Bursary.** Those most in need, such as young people in care, care leavers, young people receiving income support and disabled young people receiving both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance can apply for a bursary of up to a maximum £1,200 per year.

**Discretionary Bursary (FSM).** This bursary can be allocated to students who need support to overcome financial barriers that might prevent them continuing in full time education. This bursary is for students who received Free School Meals\* in Year 11 and continue to be eligible for Free School Meals\* in the Sixth Form. They will receive a bursary of up to £500 per year towards identified and agreed educational costs outlined in the application process.

**Discretionary Bursary (based on Household income).** This level of bursary is for those students with a financial need who do not fall into the above categories. This is a match-funded bursary of up to £200 per year. Applications must state what the identifiable financial need is and evidence provided to support this. The criteria for any support are that the total household income must be less than £20,000pa and that no other income is available from another household to support the student. Documentary evidence is required.

**However, if you are concerned as to whether you qualify or you have other particular financial concerns then please contact the Sixth Form Coordinator, Ms Cherry.**