

Bursaries

The GDST offers bursaries and scholarships to ensure that its schools continue to be accessible to all able students. Bursaries and scholarships are available to any pupil aged 11 and over and most scholarships and bursaries are awarded pre-entry either for Year 7 or on direct entry to the Sixth Form.

Bursaries are awarded only to pupils in the top 50% of performance in the entrance examinations. All bursaries are means tested and their value is related to the income and financial resources of the pupil's family. The maximum value of a bursary can be the full published fees.

Most bursaries will be awarded to students from families with a total income of less than £16,500 per year and with no capital assets other than their home. It is highly unlikely that a bursary would be awarded to a family whose gross income is more than £48,000, other than in exceptional circumstances. We aim to assist as many families qualifying for bursaries as possible; however, given the demand, we are not usually able to offer support to all of those qualifying.

Bursary application forms are available from the School Office. The deadline for applications to reach the GDST Office is in the late November of the year before entry. Decisions about allocation of bursaries are made in February, soon after the Entrance Examinations.