

MORE INFORMATION

Q. What is the history of bursary support at Dollar Academy?

Dollar Academy was founded by a bequest. Over the past 200 years, hundreds of individuals have been supported in different ways. The school has built up a dedicated bursary fund and last year the school supported 85 pupils amounting to a total of £957,000. This is only 85 pupils out of 1275 (2017-2018) however and we think it is important to do more.

Q. What is the difference between a bursary and a scholarship?

Bursaries are means-tested and may reach 100%+. This means that in exceptional circumstances we can cover the whole of the fee and some of the other expenses of a Dollar education. Dollar Academy does not award traditional “scholarships” – i.e. reduced day fees to a pupil in recognition of ability in a given area (for example, academic/sport/music/art).

Q. Why does the school require more bursary funding?

The resources of the school are limited and the unavoidable annual rise in fees due to external costs means that ever more potential applicants find it difficult to access places at Dollar. Every year, bursary places are oversubscribed. In 2018, we could only help one in every four bursary applicants.

Q. Is there an eye-catching target?

There is no target, we simply ask people to give what they can. You can make a single donation or you may wish to commit to regular giving.

Q. Is the Bicentenary Bursary Fund going to be a restricted fund?

Yes, all donations will be protected and can only be used for bursaries. They will form part of a restricted fund.

Q. How will you report on the development of the Bicentenary Bursary Fund?

There will be a Donor Report sent to all who donate, usually at the end of each school session. The first report will be in May 2020.

Q. How can I give?

The easiest way to donate is on-line. You can commit to regular giving or give a single gift. It really helps if you can ‘Gift Aid’ your donation. Alternatively, please complete the enclosed Donation form and return to us.

Q. What if I have further questions?

If you would like to discuss anything in more detail, then please get in touch with the Rector rector@dollaracademy.org.uk or with Kirsty Molnar development@dollaracademy.org.uk or call us, 01259 742511.

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