# Sixth Form Bursaries: 2019-20

- Bursaries are paid to students where their financial circumstances make it more difficult for them to attend education in the Sixth Form.
- Bursaries are paid weekly direct to a student's bank account
- Payment of a bursary is linked to attendance, good behaviour and completion of work on-time.

### **BURSARY A**

YEARLY MAXIMUM: £1200

WEEKLY PAYMENT: £30 x 38 weeks

Paid to the most disadvantaged students who meet any of the following criteria:

- In Care / Care Leaver
- Teenage Parent
- Claiming Employment Support Allowance AND Disability Living Allowance / Personal Independence Payment
- Student receives Income Support or Universal Credit (in their own name)

## **BURSARY B**

#### YEARLY MAXIMUM: £950

#### WEEKLY PAYMENT: £15 x 38 weeks

- Paid to students who are eligible for free school meals
- Assessments for eligibility are completed by Gateshead council. (Google: Gateshead Free School Meals)
  - Free School Meals criteria: (meet one or more of the following) - Household income of £16,100 or lower and receiving child tax credit (but not working tax credit)
    - Parents in receipt of Income Support or
      JSA or Guarantee pension credit or ESA
      Parents receive support under Part VI of
      the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Young Carer

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## **BURSARY C**

#### YEARLY MAXIMUM: £760

#### WEEKLY PAYMENT: £10 x 38 weeks

- Where there is surplus money left over in the School's bursary fund after payment of all A+B type bursaries we wish to support students whose financial circumstances pose significant challenge but who don't quite meet the criteria for a bursary B.
- As a result the value of Bursary C can fluctuate depending on the numbers of students eligible for Bursary A and Bursary B. Bursary C funding is reassessed on a half-termly basis. Funding may be withdrawn if the bursary funding runs low.
- Students claiming a Bursary C must have a household income of less than **£25,000** This must be certified by any of the following documents: P60 / Tax Credit statement.

Year 12 students currently in receipt of a bursary will continue to receive it in Year 13 unless their circumstances change

NEW Students wishing to apply for any of the types of bursary should see their HOY