

What do we offer?

There are 3 levels of bursary (L1, L2, and L3) and Free School Meals (FSM) depending on your level of income or personal circumstances. You can only receive one of the bursaries at any one time and we would always offer you the highest bursary you qualify for.

L1 Bursary – This is for students whose annual household income is up to £16,190 or who are currently or previously in care, or receiving benefits in their own name. You could receive payments up to £1200 per annum. You could also be entitled to FSM.

L2 Bursary – This is for students whose annual household income is between £16,190 and £24,999. You could receive a payment of up to £1000 per annum.

L3 Bursary – This is for students whose annual household income is between £25,000 and £29,999. You could receive payments up to £850 per annum.

FSM—If eligible you will have up to £3 a day to spend on lunch at either the canteen or Costa Coffee Shop. Please use the Bursary form to apply.

How do I apply?

Fill in the application form available on the college website under 'financial support' or at Reception. If you're applying at the start of the year you need to return the form by Friday 18 September. After this date applications are accepted but you will not be eligible for the first half-term's payment but the next half-term from when your application is received.

If you need help completing the form please contact Ms Nichols on 01234 762890 or by email Bursary@wootton.beds.sch.uk or in person in the Attendance Office, 1N22.

If you have to wait a while to get the correct documents for evidence of income, please hand in your completed application form ticking the box on page 3 of the form to indicate that further documents have been requested.

What happens next?

Once your application and all documentation has been received and processed, we will send you an email indicating whether or not you have been awarded a bursary, which bursary you will receive and whether you qualify for FSM.

If you have not been awarded a Bursary you will receive a letter outlining the reasons why you do not qualify.

If you are entitled to a Bursary you will be emailed details on how to make a claim against your Bursary allowance. You will need to supply receipts where possible for what you have spent your money on, confirm your financial situation has not changed.

If you are entitled to **FSM** you will need to show your lanyard at the canteen or Costa Coffee Shop when you wish to claim your £3. You can spend more than that on your meal if you want but you will need to pay for anything over the

£3 yourself.

The bursary can be used for transport costs, books, stationary, specific clothing needed for college, equipment, meals purchased at Costa or the canteen.

To receive a payment you must have good attendance with no unexplained or unauthorised absences and good attitude to learning grades.



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Financial Help

The Bursary Fund

The Bursary is a government funded scheme to support students in care or from families with lower incomes to stay at college. The fund helps with the costs of studying at college e.g. transport, food, equipment, course trips.