

Ranelagh School

16-19 Bursary Application

What is the 16-19 Bursary Fund?

The 16-19 Bursary Fund provides financial support to help students continue in education by providing some targeted financial assistance.

What is it for?

The 16-19 Bursary is a limited fund made available for supporting eligible students with help towards the costs of transport, books, curriculum educational visits or other course materials or equipment essential to successfully completing the sixth form.

Who is it for?

The 16-19 Bursary is targeted towards those students considered most in need of financial support. The Government has identified a priority group who will be eligible for a Guaranteed Bursary. In addition, the school receives funding for other young people in need of financial support. The school has set criteria to ensure this fund goes to those who are most in need of it and any student who meets these eligibility criteria can apply for a Discretionary Bursary to help with the costs of studying.

What are the eligibility criteria?

You can apply for either Bursary if you are aged 16 or over, but under 19, as at 31st August 2026 (there are exemptions to this in very specific cases); meet the national residency requirements (settled in UK and ordinarily resident in UK and Islands for three years preceding 1 September 2026) and at least one of the criteria listed below.

You can apply for a discretionary bursary if:

- Your gross annual household income does not exceed £30,000 and/or;
- Your parent/carer(s) receive a certain type(s) of income-based benefit and/or;
- You receive free school meals.

You can apply for a bursary designed for students in defined vulnerable groups if you (the student) are:

- In care/looked-after
- A care leaver
- In receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit because you are financially supporting yourself
- Receiving Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payments (PIP) as well as Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) or Universal Credit (UC) in your own right.

How and when do I apply?

To apply, you must complete the 16-19 Bursary Fund Application Form and submit this to Mrs Greeves with the correct supporting evidence by 30th September 2026.

The Discretionary Bursary is calculated based on the number of applications from eligible students. The exact amount is dependent on funds available and the actual needs of individual students.

If there is any information on this form which you are not sure about, or if you would like some help completing the form, please contact Mrs Greeves (cgreeves@ranelagh.bonitas.org.uk)

Student details

Surname	
First name	
Date of birth	
Address	
Nationality (please provide passport details if new to Ranelagh)	

Parent/carers details

Surname	
First name	
Address	
National Insurance number	
Household income (please supply evidence to support this (originals will be returned))	

Declaration of residency

I declare that I have been a resident of the UK for at least three years (evidence to support this may be required).

Signature of parent/carers	
Signature of student	
Date	

Circumstances

Please indicate the type of bursary you wish to apply for (either Guaranteed or Discretionary).

Vulnerable Students Bursary

I would like to apply for the Vulnerable Students Bursary, my circumstances are (please tick):

- I am in care
- I am a care leaver
- I (not my parents) am in receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit
- I (not my parents) am in receipt of both DLA (and PIP) and ESA

Documentary evidence may be required

Discretionary Bursary

I would like to apply for the Discretionary Bursary, my circumstances are (please tick):

- I was in receipt of Free School Meals last year at school
- ** My household income is less than £30,000 per annum

**** Evidence required, please choose from the following:**

- P60 for tax year 2025/26
- Last three months' pay slips
- 2025/26 Working Tax Credit Award notice
- Income-assessed benefits letter, e.g. Universal Credit

Declaration

I certify that the information given above is correct and understand that Ranelagh School has the right to claim any funds and equipment costs if I am found to have provided incorrect information or do not complete my course.

Signature of parent / carer	
Signature of student	
Date	

Please provide a brief outline as to how you anticipate spending your allocation in 2026/27. This will give us an idea of the level of financial support you may require.

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