



Francis Holland Schools

Guidance on the award of financial support for prospective Francis Holland parents

One of Francis Holland's key objectives is to offer a first-class education to children whose families would not otherwise be able to afford it. We are delighted that our Bursary scheme has enabled so many girls to benefit from a Francis Holland education, despite their financial circumstances.

Financial assistance is available on entry to the School, typically at Year 7 and into the 6th Form, to enable access to a Francis Holland education to talented pupils from families who are not able to afford full fees. Applications for financial support should be submitted on registration. These are currently reviewed by external agents, Bursary Administration Limited (BAL), and ratified by the Bursary, the Head and by the Chair of Finance and Estates Committee.

Decisions about the award of bursaries take account of a number of factors, including:

- The individual talents and ability of the girl
- The overall financial circumstances of the fee payers, both income and assets
- The family circumstances of the applicant
- The financial position of the Trust

The level of financial support available will require a full assessment of the financial position of the family, including income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. Circumstances vary, so it is not possible to give precise guidance as to levels of support available. However, it is probable that a family with income of less than £40,000 and net assets of less than £50,000 will be deemed eligible for 100% support, subject to other criteria. Similarly, a family with income in excess of £100,000 and net assets in excess of £100,000 may not be deemed eligible for any support. It should be noted that, typically, family homes are not taken into consideration in assessing net assets, though this may not apply in the case of significantly large or valuable homes.

The level of support is reassessed annually as family circumstances may change. Once awarded, support is available for school fees and certain other costs of attending the school, deemed essential for the pupil's education. Remission on a third of the fees is automatically available to places offered to daughters of the clergy.

Francis Holland is also part of the London Fee Assistance Consortium, along with a number of other independent schools, full details can be found [here](#).

For further information and help with individual queries please do not hesitate to contact The Bursary via [email](mailto:parentqueries@fhst.org.uk) (parentqueries@fhst.org.uk).