



NOTTING HILL & EALING  
HIGH SCHOOL

GDST  
GRAND DARTS SCHOOL TRUST

# Bursaries

At 11+ and 16+ (Sixth Form) Entry

*“I had a wonderful seven years at NHEHS, better than I ever thought possible. I learnt all my subjects from incredible teachers, who taught with passion and dedication and supported me every step of the way. I was told to aim high and work hard to achieve my dreams. I was given amazing opportunities to explore my interests – play new sports, learn a musical instrument, and challenge my academic ability. Without the bursary, I wouldn’t have been able to attend Notting Hill & Ealing High School and none of these experiences would have been available to me. I wouldn’t be the person I am today. For that, and so much more, I will forever be grateful.”*

Erin Malinowski, Class of 2020  
Durham University - Biosciences

*“Receiving a bursary has enabled our daughter to access an all-encompassing education, allowing her to thrive and achieve her maximum potential. Throughout her years at NHEHS she has been nurtured and inspired, becoming the accomplished young woman we are so very proud of. We will be forever grateful for the bursary award.”*

Mrs Malinowski

As a charity, the Girls' Day School Trust (GDST) believes that the largest possible number of talented girls should be able to benefit from the excellent education that GDST schools provide.

We offer a number of means-tested bursaries every year to the brightest, most deserving girls, based on academic merit and family financial circumstances.

We aim to focus our support on girls for whom the chance of a GDST education would be a life-changing prospect.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **Who can apply for a bursary?**

Bursaries are only available on entry to Year 7 and to the Sixth Form. If your daughter is applying at either of these points and you need assistance with paying the school fees, then you can apply for a bursary. We do not offer bursaries at any other entry points.

## **How do I apply for a bursary?**

There is a box on the online registration form that you need to tick to indicate that you wish to apply for a bursary.

## **Is there a bursary application form to fill in?**

All bursary applications are now made online. When you register your daughter and indicate that you are seeking a bursary, you will receive an email from the Girls' Day School Trust, containing log-in details and a password. You can then access the bursary application site and complete the online form.

## **Is there a deadline for applying for a bursary?**

You should complete the online application form as soon as possible and by the closing date given on our website at the latest.

Do NOT wait until after the entrance exams to apply for the bursary – this will be too late.

### **Do I need to send any documents in for the bursary application?**

Yes, when you have completed the online form, you will receive an email acknowledgement. The email will give you a list of documents to send in to the GDST, along with a bursary application reference number.

### **What happens next?**

All bursary applications are assessed by the GDST, not by the school. If the GDST require any further information or documentation from you, they will contact you directly. You will be able to log in to the bursary site to check on the progress of your application. Once your application has been assessed, the school will be notified of the outcome and whether you are eligible for bursary funding.

### **When will I find out whether my daughter has been offered a bursary?**

The decision letter you receive will advise you whether we are able to offer your daughter a place and if you have applied for a bursary, the letter will also tell you whether we are able to offer you a bursary and for what percentage of the fees.

—Year 7 entry

Offers of places at Notting Hill & Ealing High School will be sent to parents by email on the Friday immediately before the February half term.

—Sixth Form entry

All decisions will be sent to parents in the first week of December.

### **If my daughter is offered a bursary, will this continue every year?**

If we are able to offer you a bursary, it is offered for the full seven years if your daughter joins us in Year 7, and for two years if your daughter joins us in the Sixth Form. If you accept the place, we will then ask you to complete a bursary renewal form every year, to ensure that your bursary award remains up to date. If there is any significant change in income, this may affect the value of your award.

### **What if my daughter has been offered a place but is on the bursary waiting list?**

We have more bursary applicants than we have funding available so we do place a small number of girls on a bursary waiting list. This means that you are eligible for a bursary and we may be able to offer you one if any of our initial bursary offers are declined.

### **What does it mean if my daughter is offered a place and I am told my bursary application is above scale?**

If the GDST has assessed your financial circumstances as being above the threshold for any assistance with fees, we will then offer you a fee-paying place. All offers of places are made based on academic merit.

## **Do you offer help with any additional expenses, on top of the bursary?**

All students in receipt of 100% and 95% bursaries are also eligible for the following:

- Uniform expenses – an initial grant on entry to the school and further grants for Year 9 and for Year 11. The uniform grant is also awarded pro rata to students in receipt of partial bursaries
- Free school lunches
- Music tuition on one instrument and instrument hire or LAMDA lessons
- Cost of travel to and from school where over 3 miles
- Funding for the Year 8 language trip
- Possible assistance with the cost of other curriculum-related school trips (at the Head's discretion)
- University visits in the Sixth Form (maximum 3)
- Help with the cost of the Year 13 prom
- Help with the cost of specialist equipment or supplies for A Level study (dependant on budget available)

# Contact

If you have any further questions about applying for a bursary, please do contact the Registrar:

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