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King James's  
Grammar School  
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# King James's School

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To all parents/guardians of Year 12 students

Dear Parent/Guardian

## **16-19 BURSARY FUND**

As you may be aware there is a new funding system coming into place for students moving on to post-16 education in September 2011. Under the new 16-19 Bursary Fund each school will have an allocation to support students facing financial hardship. King James's has been allocated limited funds from the Department for Education, to be targeted at those facing greatest need. The criteria for application will be as follows:

- Young people in care, care leavers, young people receiving income support in their own right and disabled young people receiving both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance. This group will be eligible for a bursary of £1200 a year.
- Those students receiving Free School Meals. Please see the enclosed notice for information on eligibility for FSM and how to apply. If you believe your son/daughter may be eligible we would strongly advise you to apply as soon as possible to ensure that, if awarded, they are able to access FSM from the start of the new school year in September. Once awarded FSM your son/daughter would also then be eligible for support from the 16-19 Bursary Fund.

If you have any queries please contact Ms Oestreicher in September by email at [oestreicher@king-james.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:oestreicher@king-james.n-yorks.sch.uk) or through the Sixth Form office on 01423 798704.

Yours sincerely

Richard Wood  
Director of Sixth Form





### ***Who is eligible for free school meals (FSM)?***

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011, parent(s) must be in receipt of any one of the benefits below:

- Income support
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of state pension credit
- Child Tax credit, provided they are not getting Work Tax credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,040

### ***How can I apply?***

You can apply quickly and simply by visiting:

[northyorks.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolsandcolleges/freeschoolmeals](http://northyorks.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolsandcolleges/freeschoolmeals)

You only need to provide your name, date of birth and national insurance number along with details of your child.

Alternatively, telephone: **01609 533405**

### ***How can I be sure my child won't be treated differently in the dining hall?***

Free meal accounts are automatically credited to cashless catering daily (£2.10 @ June 2011) so no other pupils will know. You can add to this amount should you wish. Eligible students in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form are dealt with discretely.

## **KING JAMES'S SCHOOL, KNARESBOROUGH** **THE SCHOOL FUND**

Registered Charity: 515460

### **KING JAMES'S X-FACTOR!**

#### ***What is The School Fund?***

The School Fund is a registered charity for the improvement of our education and welfare provision. Money raised reaches the bits not fully funded by the Department for Education and helps give us the added X-Factor!

#### ***What sort of things does it provide?***

- Achievement rewards
- Pupil incentives
- Financial assistance
- Better resources

#### ***How can I help?***

We will write each year inviting you to make a donation to help make King James's that bit more special. Your donations really count and are appreciated by everyone.

