

16-19 BURSARY FUND

Following the withdrawal of Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA), the government has created a new fund to provide financial support for 16 – 19 year olds continuing in full time education. This bursary fund will be available from September 2011 as follows:

- **Major Award**
 - £1200 for the most vulnerable students such as those in care, care leavers, those on income support, and students who receive both Disability Living Allowance and Employment Support Allowance. Paid in weekly installments over the academic year.
 - £380 for eligible students (means tested). Paid in 4 weekly installments over the academic year.
- **Minor Award**
 - A one off single payment for eligible students (means tested) to assisted with specific equipment and resources, trips and transport etc.

Student Eligibility

To be eligible to receive a means tested award you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a student enrolled with us studying a minimum of 12 guided learning hours per week
- Be at least 16 years old but under 19 on 31 August 2011
- Have a gross household income of less than £16,190

Returning Students

If you are one of our returning Sixth Form students and last year (2010/11) received the full EMA weekly payment (£30) you will be eligible to receive £20 per week EMA for 2011/12 academic year.

How to Apply

Application forms are available from your Sixth Form Pastoral Manager in your Sixth Form Centre.

