

September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

### **16 – 19 Bursary Scheme**

I hope you have had all had a positive start to your time at Longsands Sixth Form. We wanted to make sure that you are all aware of the financial support that can be provided during your time in the Sixth Form. Pupil Premium does not apply to the Sixth Form, although if any student previously had free school meals, these should continue as normal. The main way that financial support is on offer is through the 16 – 19 bursary scheme.

The 16 – 19 bursary is a government run scheme for students between the ages of 16 – 19 who may require assistance with the costs of staying in education. There are currently 2 types of bursaries available to apply for:

- A vulnerable bursary of up to £1,200 a year for young people in one of the defined vulnerable groups.
- Discretionary bursaries that institutions award to meet individual needs. For example, transport, meals, books and equipment. Educational institutions are responsible for managing both types of bursaries.

The deadline for applying for the bursary is **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**. All of the information and forms to complete are attached; please print, complete and return them to Mrs Walton in the Sixth Form building along with any requested financial paperwork before this date.

Yours sincerely



Mr C Robertson  
**Head of Sixth Form**