

Bethany Parent Hardship Fund 2020-2021

This Hardship Fund is administered by a panel comprising of the Headmaster, Bursar and a member of the Board of Governors who meet as a committee and consider all applications.

Why is this fund necessary?

Bethany School recognises that there are families that might need financial support for the academic year 2020-2021 due to the financial impact of the Coronavirus pandemic. The Bethany Parent Hardship Fund is a discretionary source of financial help. It exists to offer assistance to families who are experiencing unexpected and unplanned financial difficulties due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

In addition to financial assistance there may be cases where an extended period for payment may be sufficient to meet the financial challenge and this will also be considered as a possible outcome.

Priority will be given to parents of pupils studying GCSE and A level courses in the first instance.

Who can apply?

Applications will be considered from existing parents and prospective parents who had paid their non-refundable deposits by Friday March 20th 2020.

Bethany will request evidence that the need is genuine and short term.

How can I apply?

There is a Bethany Parent Hardship Fund Application Form which must be completed in full. This is also available on our website in the [Information on scholarships and bursaries](#) section of the Fees page and can also be provided by email upon request from the accounts department, (accounts@bethanyschool.org.uk).

Because there are only limited funds, we have to make sure that any assistance is given to those most in need. All awards from the Hardship Fund are discretionary, they last for one term initially and will be allocated depending on the need and the funds available. The more information that you can provide regarding your circumstances, the more easily the Hardship Panel will be able to assess your needs, and this will help us decide how the funds should be most suitably distributed.

How will I know if my application is successful?

The Hardship Fund Panel meet in January 2021 to consider applications and you will be notified of the outcome.

The Deadline for Applications is the first day of the Spring term, Thursday 7 January 2021.