John Thompson Bursary

Anthony Gell School Foundation CONFIDENTIAL

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Before you fill in the application form, please read the information below and read through the whole application form before you start to fill it in. This will help you answer each question appropriately. Please check that you can meet the grant conditions.

We are committed to this bursary application process being open and accessible to everyone. We realise some people may find that there are barriers to applying for a bursary using this form. If this is the case, this form can be requested in a large print or easy read format. Trustees may accept verbal applications using formats such a video or by speaking to a representative trustee through an interview, please contact us for more information.

Completed application forms should be sent to [secy.agsf@gmail.com](mailto:secy.agsf@gmail.com) or by post to: The Secretary, Hugo Lane, 12, Little Bolehill, Bolehill, Matlock, DE4 4GR.

*PRIVACY NOTE: In accordance with the Anthony Gell School Foundation Data Protection Policy, we will not ordinarily share your information. Rarely, we may make an exception because there is a substantial public interest requiring us to do so. We will only pass on your details if the law says we must, or government guidance says we should or the Charity Commission require us to provide this. [Copies of this Policy can be obtained, on request, from:* [*secy.agsf@gmail.com*](mailto:secy.agsf@gmail.com) *]*

**Grant Information**

The John Thompson Bursary has been set up in memory of John Thompson, who served as Chair of the Anthony Gell School Foundation Trustees for over twenty years up until June 2018.

In accordance with the Foundation‘s objectives the bursary, in particular, aims to promote the education of persons who are in need of financial assistance who have at any time attended Anthony Gell School or are under the age of 25 and resident in the Parish of Wirksworth, and the surrounding villages served by the Anthony Gell Cluster of Schools. Trustees will have regard to the order of priority in the Foundation’s trust deed as they assess applications to the bursary but consideration will be made of the fact that students at Anthony Gell School have access to financial support through the Heads requests.

Whilst the bursary is primarily for the benefit of individuals, in exceptional circumstances, it will support groups of perhaps two or three young people. The bursary does not support organized groups. Broadly the bursary seeks to remove barriers to individual development and learning, most notably those created through financial need.

The bursary encourages applications that fall within the following **funding categories**;

a. Applications that seek funding to support further and/or educational development such as college, university, or holiday courses.

b. Applications that seek funding to support vocational ambitions such as apprenticeships or entrepreneurial ambitions.

c. Applications that would support interests and developments in sports, the arts or other individual or small group interests.

If you are considering an application that you feel might not fall within these categories, trustees would encourage you to ask for advice and guidance by contacting the secretary of the trustees on [secy.agsf@gmail.com](mailto:secy.agsf@gmail.com).

Over time the bursary will seek to distribute funds equally across the three funding categories listed above. Where a competition for available funds arises, trustees may be informed in their decision making by the allocation of previous support in the available categories. As part of the trustees’ ongoing financial monitoring procedures, bursary expenditure will be analysed to ensure that funding is equitably distributed.

The bursary can offer support with travel expenses where a need is shown to exist.

Individuals should apply for themselves, if possible, but parents or advocates can apply on behalf of others. Applicants must give details of any other funding applications that they are making at the time of applying to the bursary.

The trustees will consider applications as they are received. Normally applications will be assessed in January and July but exceptionally applications will be considered outside of this time frame. If your application needs a quick turnaround, please make this clear on the application form.

We will acknowledge your application, informing you of when it will be considered by the Foundation panel. Should we require any further information you will be contacted at this stage.

There should be an understanding that successful applicants have a responsibility to keep trustees informed, reporting back in an appropriate way, outlining how the bursary has helped them.

Applications will be considered by a panel of trustees appointed by the Foundation, which will make recommendations for the next full meeting of the Foundation Trustees.

**Equalities Statement**

The Anthony Gell School Foundation is committed to promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion in all of its activities, and to eliminating unlawful discrimination.

We will

· encourage applications from young people from all parts of the Wirksworth communities and especially those with protected characteristics.

· make reasonable adjustments to the award process where this is found to be required.

· collect and analyse monitoring data of the applications received and awards made.

· monitor bursary expenditure to ensure that funding is equitably distributed in line with this equalities statement and the objectives of the Bursary.

The Anthony Gell School Foundation trustees will review their policies and procedures relating to the Bursary on, at least, an annual basis.

Assessment criteria for the John Thompson Bursary applications:

1. Does the applicant present their case clearly and in sufficient detail?

2. Is there a clear relationship to a target group?

3. Are there clear benefits to the applicant and/or the wider community outlined in the application?

4. Is there a financial need?

The John Thompson Bursary extends to the communities served by the following schools;

Bonsall CE Primary School, Brassington Primary School, Carsington and Hopton CE School, Crich Carr CE Primary School, Kirk Ireton CE Primary School, Cromford CE Primary School, Middleton Community Primary School, Turnditch CE Primary School, Wirksworth Federation of Infant Schools, Wirksworth Junior School, Anthony Gell School, Wirksworth.

Application Form - John Thompson Bursary

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**Contact Details**

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| Describe what you would like the bursary to fund.  *Be specific and explain what you will do and how you will do it.* |
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| What benefits do you expect from your project?  *How will the activity and the grant make a difference?* |
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| Please explain why the grant is necessary for you. |
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Which **funding category** do you feel your application falls within?

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| Please state the amount that you are applying for. |
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| Are you applying to any other funding sources for the same or a related activity?  *Have you secured any other funding?* |
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| When will the activity take place and how long will it last? |
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| What will the grant money be used for?  *Please provide a breakdown of costs such as materials, travel, teaching costs.* |
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| Please provide any further information which you think may be relevant to your application. |
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I confirm that the information in this application is correct.

I agree that the personal data I have supplied with this form, including any confidential information I have supplied, may be used in connection with the consideration of my application. I understand that I can withdraw my consent to this at any time and request that the information be corrected, deleted or destroyed by contacting [secy.agsf@gmail.com](mailto:secy.agsf@gmail.com) .

In the event of a grant being awarded, I also undertake that I will abide by the conditions of the grant and will inform the Anthony Gell School Foundation of any change in circumstances that would affect this application.

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| Signature of Applicant |  |

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