



Brentwood School
FOUNDATION



Brentwood Bursaries | Changing Lives

Our Mission

Changing young lives through education

Changing young lives by providing access to a Brentwood School education – irrespective of socioeconomic background – based solely on individual merit.

Reflecting on Brentwood:

I can confidently say that it provided the perfect environment for my growth as a young woman. The multitude of opportunities, engaging lessons, and unwavering support I received have left an indelible mark on my journey. I will forever be grateful for the privilege of continuing my studies at Brentwood School's Sixth Form through the bursary programme.



Voke Adjarho
(OB 2012-2019)



Michael Bond

Headmaster

Thank you to those Old Brentwoods, parents and friends who support the Foundation already: by doing so, you have contributed to a story that stretches back to the 16th Century and helped ensure it continues for many generations to come.

There are few things in our world that almost no-one disputes (perhaps even fewer today than ever before) but one of them is the widespread acceptance that education can transform lives. Few would argue against William Butler Yeats' statement that 'education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire' whilst almost everyone who works in schools can quickly cite specific examples of this aphorism and many like it.

One of the most important things we do at Brentwood is provide an outstanding and well rounded-education, excellent pastoral care and fantastic opportunities to children whose family and financial circumstances mean coming to our school would be impossible without significant - often full - financial assistance. Well over 100 children are in receipt of a means-tested bursary, of whom over 60 benefit from fully-funded places. Their individual stories are far more compelling than any statistical analysis could be, and I hope you will enjoy reading some of them in the pages that follow. This simply wouldn't be possible without the Brentwood School Foundation, which in turn relies on the help of friends and supporters from the wider community.

Brentwood School truly has a history of strong values; the 1622 statutes talk of virtue, learning and manners, and scholars freely receiving an education. These are values the School still honours today. Thank you to those Old Brentwoods, parents and friends who support the Foundation already: by doing so, you have contributed to a story that stretches back to the 16th Century and helped ensure it continues for many generations to come. For anyone interested in making a difference to talented young people (and their future families), please get in touch - we'd love to tell you more about the impact of our bursary programme and why we agree with Nelson Mandela's claim that 'education is the most powerful weapon which we can use to change the world'.

The way we fund bursaries needs to change

The operational funds available to provide bursaries are likely to diminish with VAT, business rates and a climate of escalating costs of running a first-class independent school. The Foundation is the only way to continue building towards our goal of providing access to all children who would benefit, regardless of their background and financial means. Our focus is on transformative bursaries – those at 70% of fees or above – because without these awards it would simply never be an option for these students to attend Brentwood.

Where we are: Majority of bursaries are funded by the School.



Where we're going: More bursaries funded by the Foundation.





"I think about my bursary donors a lot and imagine the day that I can pay forward their investment in me. Thanks to them my future has opened up in ways I could never have imagined."

Joe Z , Current bursary recipient

This is an ambitious target, but we believe the impact of these transformative bursaries demonstrates exactly why it is the right one.

Every place we provide has an exponential impact, taking a young person with great potential and removing the financial barriers to open up a world of opportunity. Below are some highlights of our recent achievements:



19

Students attained triple Distinction or above (BTEC)



12

Students studying at Junior Conservatoires



6

Teams at National Finals across 5 sports



36

Our International Baccalaureate point score average



36

Students participated in National subject Olympiads

71%

Achieved A-B A Level Grades (or equivalents)*



44

Junior Colloquium and Junior SABS debating events



17th

Ranked nationally for our sports programme by School Sports Magazine



670

Cadets making us the largest CCF Contingent in the country

(Figures correct as of academic year 2022–2023)



Tes Schools Awards 2024

Shortlisted

Independent Senior School of the Year





The impact of bursaries



Ashleigh Ellis
Teacher of Drama, Head of Hampden House and Bursary Mentor

“

Our bursary students thrive here, they exemplify the school values and their hard work and passion never fails to impress me. To see them embark on their life beyond Brentwood with the skills and confidence they have gained is the greatest reward.”

“

I received a bursary for my two years in the Sixth Form at Brentwood and I wouldn't have been able to attend without it. Despite coming from a different background to most of my peers at Brentwood School, I never felt judged and I was able to develop a lot of good friendships, and I will treasure my experience at Brentwood forever.”



Charlie Stanbrook
(OB 2019-21)

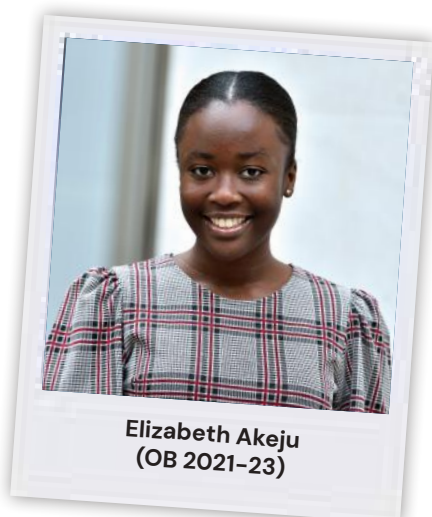
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Brentwood prepared me for my life after school with exceptional opportunities that helped to develop my skill set and knowledge.

Thanks to the support I received from my teachers, I am currently reading History and International Relations at King’s College London. I am also a Trustee at the British Youth Council and a governor at a local primary school, and when I graduate I hope to embark on a career in law.

Having received the first Foundation-funded bursary, I have always held great gratitude for the Foundation and all of its donors for helping provide such an invaluable opportunity for my education and personal development.

I will cherish my memories with my friends and teachers at Brentwood for life.”



“

I just finished my second year of medical school and I’m excited to start my first placement year in September. I loved my time at Brentwood School and I am so grateful for the opportunity to have studied there and for the potential that was seen and nurtured in me to help me flourish post Brentwood.”



“I am immensely proud to be part of the inaugural 1622 Club, knowing that my support is directly funding a bursary at Brentwood School.

As a former pupil and now a Governor at the school, I have seen first hand the wonderful opportunities created for our students. I support the Foundation knowing the profound and positive impact that it will have on the life of a deserving young person.”

Lord Black of Brentwood (OB 1971–1981)

Chairman of Governors, Foundation Fundraising Board, 1622
Club member, 1557 Society member

How to support the Foundation

1622 Club

Connecting your donation to a bursary award

Joining the 1622 Club can take many forms, but all offer the opportunity for any individual or group to know their support is funding a full bursary place every year. We ask any 1622 Club donor to commit to at least two years of funding. However, the hope is that you or your group are able to make it an ongoing commitment with funding for a full place each year in perpetuity. This way the bursary can become an integral part of the School and Foundation.



The bursary will be formally awarded and renewed each year using our rigorous selection process and you will be kept updated on the progress of your bursary student.

When funding a full bursary individually or as part of a group you have the opportunity to name the award. Examples of groups who may come together to fund a 1622 Club:

- A year group bursary
- An industry group award
- A bursary awarded by a small philanthropic group of individuals
- A bursary awarded in memory

Corporate Partnerships

Connecting your donation to a bursary award through your company

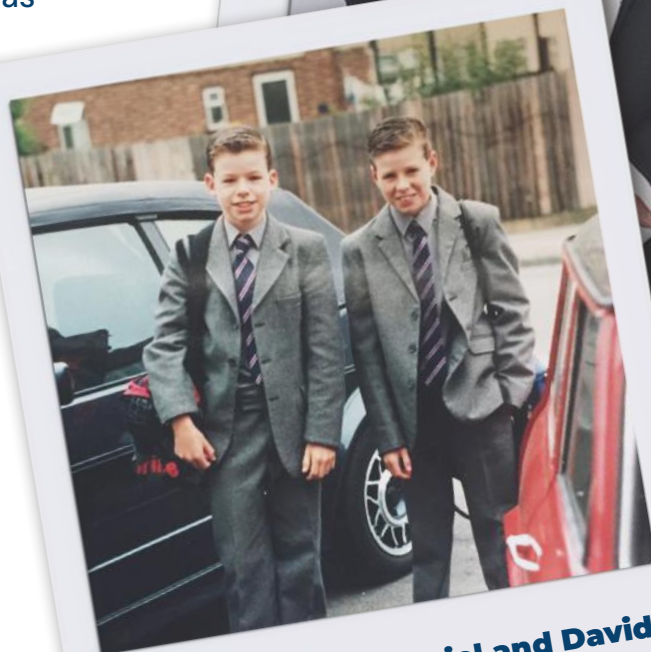


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1622 Corporate Partnership is a commercial version of the Foundation's 1622 Club, allowing companies in the Brentwood School community to directly support the provision of a full bursary each academic year. This initiative has only just launched and we are proud to confirm Winged Boots as the first 1622 Corporate sponsor.

Winged Boots is one of the fastest growing travel companies in the UK, servicing luxury leisure and corporate customers. It is owned by two sets of brothers: Harry and George Hastings and **Daniel (OB 1989-1998) and David Ox (OB 1990-1997)**. Daniel and David were recipients of a transformational bursary, providing access to a Brentwood education that would otherwise have been out of reach. The brothers credit their school experience as equipping them with the confidence and mindset to have a successful entrepreneurial career.



Old Brentwoods Daniel and David Ox recognise the importance of "paying forward"





Now, as well as sending their own children to Brentwood, Daniel and David are using their success to pay forward the support they received:

“Funding a bursary place aligns with what we stand for. As a business, to do the responsible thing and deploy capital or profits into schemes that support our local community is at the top of our agenda and aligns with our ESG programme. And this particular opportunity just made perfect sense: to give someone the same amazing opportunity that we were lucky enough to have.”

The Foundation would like to extend a huge thank you to Daniel and David for funding our first 1622 Corporate bursary award. This is a fantastic example of the exponential impact of bursaries – Brentwood changed the lives of the Ox brothers and they are now using their success to create that opportunity for others.



Jos Hollington (OB 1972-81) former student to
Foundation Legator and President Elect



1557 Society – Leave a Legacy

The 1557 Society has been established as a means by which we can thank, during their lifetime, Old Brentwoods and other supporters who have left a gift in their will to the Foundation.



By confirming to the Development Office that you have made a bequest to the School, you will automatically become a member of The 1557 Society.

Members will receive a specially designed gift bearing the logo which is taken from the marble plaque in School House dedicated to John Cooper Quennell OB. Members will also receive invitations to School and specific Foundation events.

“I am delighted to be supporting the work of the Foundation and have left a bequest in my will to help enable future students to enjoy the experience and benefits that I did.”

Jos Hollington (OB 1972–81)
Foundation Legator and President Elect

Other ways to support bursaries at Brentwood

“Collectively all donations can make a huge difference”

The 1622 route aims to fund a specific bursary, but every single pound donated to the Foundation is for the benefit of bursaries. We are very grateful to receive all donations because collectively it makes a huge difference. There are numerous routes to support in this way:

Regular gift

Setting up a direct debit or standing order is a great way to make a consistent gift for a sum affordable to you – these kinds of donations allow us to forecast Foundation income and allocate bursaries accordingly.



SCAN ME

There is a donation form at the back of this booklet or you can simply use the QR code to link to our Foundation pages on the Brentwood School Association website – this has all the giving options listed.

Single gift

We welcome specific donations via all mediums except cash. These are detailed on the donation form or via the QR code link above.

Gift aid

The School is a registered charity so if you are a UK taxpayer your donation may be increased by 25p for every £1 donated with no extra cost to you. If you are a higher tax rate payer you may also claim tax relief on your donation from the Inland Revenue. So please do include a declaration with any eligible gift.

Celebration and recognition

We are extremely grateful for all gifts made to the Foundation. For those that are able to offer more substantial gifts we are keen to recognise that generosity accordingly.

| Gift | Recognition |
|-------------------------|--|
| > £1,000 | You will receive a letter of thanks from the Headmaster and a notation in our donor book. |
| > £20,000 | Your name will be displayed in gold leaf on our Major Donor Board in the Headmaster's Reception. |
| > £250,000 | As a School Benefactor, you will be invited as a guest of honour to Commemorations Service on Speech Day. |
| 1622 Club/ Corporate | The name of the Club or Corporate will be promoted as a Foundation sponsor and listed on our Major Donors Board. |

These benchmarks are cumulative, so someone donating £50 a month would soon be noted in our donor book.

All our significant donors will also be invited to events throughout the year, where we celebrate the positive impact donor support has made to the lives of our bursary students.

"If you have the means to support the bursary programme then I would urge you to join me in doing so. Giving a young person the tools to change their life is incredibly rewarding and the impact of the gift lasts forever!"

Brentwood School Foundation Donor, anonymous



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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM
(HOWEVER YOU DONATE) TO:

**Brentwood School
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Brentwood, Essex
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If you have any queries about the form,
please don't hesitate to
contact us on 01277 240451.



To find out more by
scanning here.

Your details:

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Phone No. _____

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Gift Aid your donation

Boost your donation and make it worth an extra 25% at no extra cost to yourself. Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box.

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £ _____ and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to Brentwood School.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Please notify Brentwood School if you: • want to cancel this declaration • change your name or home address • no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

Making a single/regular gift

I would like to make a single/regular gift of £ _____

If you wish for your donation to the Foundation to remain anonymous, please tick the box.

I am making this payment via:

BACS Direct Credit

Please use your banking app or online/telephone banking to make a one-off (or regular) payment.

Natwest Brentwood
Account Name: Brentwood School CIO
Account Number: 20622597
Sort Code: 60-03-25
IBAN: GB07NWBK 600325 20622597
Swift/BIC: NWBKGB2L

Cheque

Please use Reference: 'BSF/[Your Surname]' and advise the Development Office of your donation.

Debit/Credit Card

Please make payable to 'Brentwood School' and enclose with this form.

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Please visit our website to donate securely

Please visit our website for more details or contact the Development Office.

Signature _____

Date _____

Get in touch

To find out more about supporting bursaries at Brentwood, to speak to us about events, networking, mentoring or visiting the School please get in touch, we'd love to hear from you.

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