



WEST BUCKLAND SCHOOL
FOUNDATION

BURSARY FUND



“At West Buckland, we strongly believe in providing an education that truly transforms the young people who come here. The breadth and depth of their school experience will have a huge influence on their future.

By making a donation towards the Foundation bursary fund, you are quite simply giving more young people the opportunity to fulfil their potential.”

COUNTESS OF ARRAN
PRESIDENT OF WEST BUCKLAND SCHOOL



Shaping Futures

One of the principle roles of the Foundation is to provide fully-funded bursaries to enable talented children from local schools to benefit from a West Buckland education.

At West Buckland, we have a strong vision of social inclusivity and wide opportunity. Our Foundation bursaries give children, who would not otherwise have been able to attend West Buckland, a truly life-changing opportunity.

Our objective is to seek further support for the Foundation's Bursary Fund to enable us to offer a greater number of Foundation bursaries and give more young people the opportunity to be part of West Buckland, one of the leading independent schools in the South West of England.



Jenny Johnson

2011–2018F



“She is now set on a journey we never could have believed possible”

“Why West Buckland? Simple! That is where Jenny was determined she wanted to go. Having worked hard to gain good marks in the entrance exam, Jenny was keeping her fingers crossed, believing in the theory of “if you don’t try, you don’t get”.

Words can’t come close to describing what impact West Buckland has had on Jenny. From a very timid 11-year-old who wouldn’t say boo to a goose, to a fairly confident 18-year-old who is happy to converse with peers and adults. The varied opportunities that the school offered have given her the knowledge, confidence and ability to tackle life and move forward into a very competitive world, and the boarding facility gave her a springboard into independent living. Jenny achieved great A-level results and has taken up a place at University.

Without the help of the Foundation, I am not entirely sure where Jenny would be. What we as a family are certain of though, is that West Buckland has been the making of Jenny, and we are forever grateful for the financial backing she has received. She is now set on a journey we never could have believed possible had it not been for the opportunities given through the bursary.”

NICKY JOHNSON



Foundation Bursary Fund

The Foundation has a significant sum invested in managed funds: the result of the rationalisation of a number of pots of money that previously existed such as the Orchard-Lisle Scholarship Fund, the West Buckland Old Pupils Charitable Trust and the funds of the Friends of West Buckland. Along with monies raised by the Foundation since 2003, the value of The Foundation funds was increased significantly in 2010 by the generous gift of the Fortescue North Devon and Exmoor Charitable Trust (the result of a legacy from Zillah Bristow). The income derived from the invested sums enables the Foundation and the school to offer a rolling programme of fully-funded means-tested bursaries.

The first recipients started at the school in September 2012 and the Foundation, supported by the school, is currently funding seventeen pupils through the school. The determination of these Bursary students to achieve their potential in every way they can, and take advantage of every opportunity they can find, positively impacts on every part of our school.



Jono Lethaby
2012–2019G



“When Jono was at Primary School, he exhibited many autistic characteristics and needed a lot of one-to-one attention. However, when he was focused and stimulated, his academic ability and intellect were incredible. West Buckland saw his potential and he has excelled. He has done better than I could have hoped, and we are so very proud of him.

West Buckland has brought him emotional and intellectual maturity and Jono is an articulate, considered and very well-mannered young man. He has thrown himself into school activities such as public speaking, maths challenges and technical crew for drama productions and electronics club, to name but a few.

If we were not able to get the 100% bursary for Jono, he would not have been able to attend West Buckland. I truly believe that the school’s class sizes, its approach to teaching and nurturing and its traditional values with a modern vision have all helped shape Jonathan into the wonderful and brilliant young man he is today.

I shall be forever indebted to the Foundation for giving him this opportunity.”

STELLA LETHABY

“I am very lucky and proud to be a pupil here”

“I feel honoured to have been given the opportunity to study at West Buckland, not only for my secondary and sixth form education but for the vast array of other activities to partake in. I have been around the country with the schools’ CCF and have engaged in regular debates with the Phoenix Society. West Buckland School has also found ways for me to exercise my passions outside the already impressive co-curricular system here, such as being asked to photograph and video school events. I am aiming to continue on to higher education, studying for a degree in Theology and Religion. I am very lucky and proud to be a pupil here.”

JONO LETHABY



Graham Harrison

1959–1966C

FORMER PUPIL, FORMER PARENT
AND FORMER GOVERNOR



“Without the Bursary, I would never have been able to go to West Buckland. I am therefore only too aware of the difference bursaries can make to pupils who would not normally be able to benefit from everything West Buckland has to offer. As such, I am delighted to personally support the Foundation’s Bursary Fund.”

Bill Geen

1964–1969F

CHAIR OF TRUSTEES OF WEST
BUCKLAND SCHOOL FOUNDATION,
FORMER PUPIL, FORMER PARENT,
FORMER CHAIR OF GOVERNORS



“I am delighted to support the Foundation’s Bursary Fund; the gift of education for a child is second to none. I would encourage everyone who is in a position to do so, to become involved in helping more talented young people fulfil their potential.”



Support Us

By supporting the Foundation Bursary Fund, you will make a difference to the lives of the most deserving pupils, offering them the education, opportunities, confidence and ambition to succeed in life.

If you are able to donate to the Foundation, you can do this in many ways, and all gifts big or small have an impact. The opportunity to give is very flexible and if you are a UK taxpayer, giving with Gift Aid enables us to increase the value of your gift by 25%, at no additional cost to you. If you are a higher rate tax payer, the cost is further reduced.

REGULAR GIVING

Donate by regular direct debit (monthly, quarterly or annually)

SINGLE GIFT

Make a single gift by cheque or bank transfer

LEAVE A LEGACY

Include West Buckland Foundation Bursary Fund in your Will

Don't think that a small amount does not make a difference; if you are able to afford £2 or £20 or more each month, it really will enable a child to receive the most important gift they will ever get – a West Buckland education to give them the chance of a lifetime.

Just 20 people, each giving £40 per month over 4 years would provide an education for a pupil from Year 7 through to the end of the Sixth Form.

You can set up a direct debit online, by visiting: **www.westbucklandschool.com/foundation** or by completing the enclosed form and returning it to the office at West Buckland School Foundation, West Buckland, Barnstaple, Devon EX32 0SX.

Thank you for considering making a regular gift; your support is very much appreciated.





How funds are managed

All donations will be received under the charity registration of West Buckland School Foundation. Operational costs are met through an administration grant from West Buckland School and not from donations.

Anonymity is an important part of the Foundation Bursary programme unless families have specifically told us they do not mind their names being published.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE
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