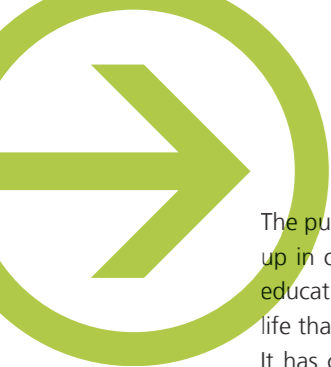




TRINITY GRAMMAR SCHOOL | ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP



FROM THE HEAD MASTER

The purpose of the scheme can be summed up in one word - opportunity. Your Trinity education has given you opportunities in life that you might not otherwise have had. It has contributed to your achievements in your chosen career. The Alumni Scholarship Scheme is a way to give something back – not to the School itself but in a more personal way to a new generation of students. It extends the benefit of a Trinity education to boys who, without some financial support, would otherwise be denied that opportunity.

'GIVING THE GIFT OF OPPORTUNITY'

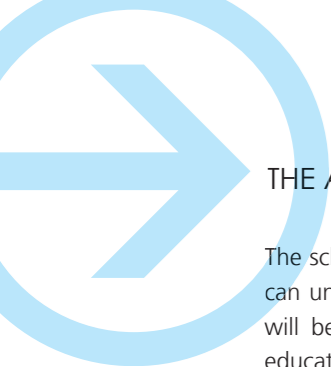
For a small financial commitment, you and others of your generation can keep alive a strong Trinity tradition – one that is in keeping with our Founder's vision. That vision is to provide a "grammar school" education to boys whose families, without such commitment, would not be able to afford it. Many of you came to the School from such family backgrounds. This is a way for you to give another young boy the opportunity to make the most of his potential in life.

I commend the Alumni Scholarship Scheme to you, and encourage you to give it your wholehearted support. In so doing you will join the Old Boys from the classes of 1957, 1961, 1965, 1968 and 1969 who are currently sponsoring nine boys at Trinity.

THERE IS NO GREATER GIFT THAN

THE GIFT OF OPPORTUNITY





THE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

The scheme has been established so that groups of Old Trinitarians of a particular Year can unite to help sponsor a new student, or students, to the School. Each scholarship will be to the value of 50 per cent of the student's tuition fees for his secondary education, i.e. from Year 7 to Year 12. The student's family will pay the other 50 per cent of fees. The administration of the scholarships will be handled by the School, so Old Boys' contributions will be applied purely towards tuition. The eligibility criteria for Alumni Scholarships will be similar to those that apply for existing School scholarships. In essence, they seek to identify boys who possess the qualities which Trinity espouses, who will contribute to all aspects of School life, and who need the support of a scholarship to make their admission financially feasible. As well as these basic criteria, the sponsoring group will have the opportunity to express its own preferences as to particular qualities, skills or potential they would like to support.

In 2009 our first two Alumni Scholars graduate from year 12. The Class of 1968 are very proud of these boys who have clearly made the most of this wonderful opportunity that was created for them, as you can see at right.



"The friendships I've made over the past 6 years with my peers and teachers have been invaluable, and I wouldn't have had this opportunity if not for the faith and support of the Class of 1968, through the Alumni Scholarship programme"

Jordan (far left)

"It has been a wonderful experience that I am eternally grateful for. The friends I've made, the things I've learnt, the sporting opportunities I've been given I will remember forever"

Alex (left)



WHAT FINANCIAL COMMITMENT IS INVOLVED?

The level of financial commitment will depend mainly on the number of Old Boys from your Year who support the scheme. To give an indication, based on current tuition fees, the cost of a 50 per cent scholarship for one boy would be as shown in the following diagrams. Sponsorship would continue for the six years during which the student progresses from Year 7 to Year 12. At the end of that period it would be up to the sponsoring group to decide if it wishes to recommence the scholarship for a new student.



40 Old Boy sponsors
= annual contribution of
\$275



30 Old Boy sponsors
= annual contribution of
\$350



20 Old Boy sponsors
= annual contribution of
\$550



15 Old Boy sponsors
= annual contribution of
\$700



SOME IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Who decides which applicants will be considered?

The initial selection criteria are the same as those used to assess applicants for preliminary interviews for School Bursary Scholarships. A short list of candidates is then drawn up by the Head Master, based on interviews and recommendation.

Will sponsors have a say in who is awarded scholarships?

Yes. Each Year group will elect a selection sub-committee, and that sub-committee will be able to express their preference for particular candidates. They may, for example, favour a candidate with strong musical, academic or sporting ability.

What role will Trinity play?

The School will carry out initial testing of candidates, assess their family financial circumstances and conduct preliminary interviews. Once successful candidates have been identified, the School will liaise between the family and the sponsoring group to ensure that the level of involvement is acceptable to all parties. The School will also deal with the administration of the sponsorship and will meet any administration costs involved.

Can a Year group sponsor more than one student?

Yes. If there is a sufficient level of commitment, there is nothing to stop a Year group from sponsoring two or more students.

How are the payments organised?

Sponsorship payments will be requested on an annual basis at the beginning of February. A direct debit facility will be used wherever possible to simplify the administration.

Are sponsorship payments tax deductible?

Yes. On receiving your payment a tax invoice will be issued.





What if one of the sponsors in the group fails to make a contribution?

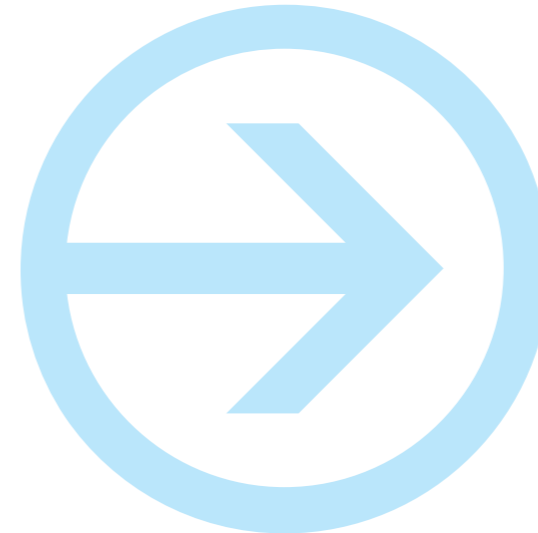
There is no requirement for the other sponsors to make up any unpaid contribution, although they may choose to do so. In the event that the non-payment is permanent and no replacement sponsor can be found, the School will meet the balance of the cost.

Will sponsors have contact with the student they are supporting?

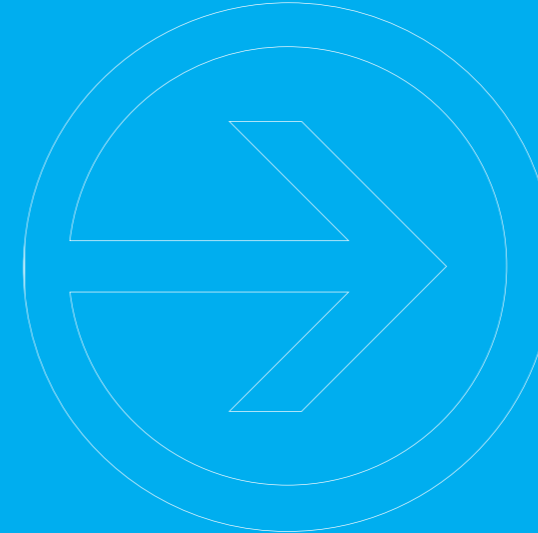
Yes. As a matter of courtesy, students will be expected to keep their sponsors informed about their progress. Ideally there will be two way 'reporting' between the student and his sponsors so that all parties share the benefits of the relationship. In some cases, and subject to the agreement of the parents, a degree of mentoring may be appropriate whereby sponsors can pass on their knowledge, skills and experience to the student.

Will sponsors be formally recognised for their contributions?

That is a matter for individuals and the sponsorship group to decide. Those who prefer to remain anonymous will have that option. In other cases, a listing in a School publication may be appropriate to encourage others to follow the sponsors' example.



WHAT TO DO NEXT...



If you are interested in supporting the Alumni Scholarship Scheme, please register your initial interest by emailing Stephen Heanly (details below). The School will contact you to discuss the level of support shown by others in your Year, and to indicate what this might mean in terms of your financial commitment. If there are additional questions that you would like answered, please contact:

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