

St Helen and St Katharine Parents' Association

Sixth Form Volunteering Award

Aims of the scheme

The Parents' Association (PA) makes small grants available to assist Sixth Form students to fund volunteering projects and activities at home or abroad, such as teaching under-privileged children, conservation, and community work. This is particularly aimed at gap year activities, but maybe considered for other worthwhile projects.

Most of the funds for such activities and projects will need to be raised by the student, but through these grants the PA aims to offer a small contribution to the overall cost. The award is not to help fund a holiday!

Previous projects have included:

- Teaching English abroad
- Setting up small research programmes
- Conservation work
- Teaching music to under-privileged children
- Attending conferences
- Projects working with children or the elderly

Value of the grants

There is no set value for the grants. We may contribute towards living expenses by basing the grant on the number of weeks volunteering, pay travel costs, or we may give a percentage of the total cost. We do not fund complete projects, so you must use your initiative to raise additional funds.

We aim to be fair to all applicants and consistent in our approach, but each application is determined on its own merits. The level of grant is judged on the quality of the application and a short interview by the PA.

Requirement to prepare a report

It is a requirement of the grant that on your return from your trip or course you prepare a report of your experience so that we can make it available for future students to refer to for ideas and advice. Reports should be submitted via email to: shskpa@gmail.com – **deadline to submit is Friday 11th May 2018**

How to apply

Students in Sixth Form are invited to submit proposals for this grant using the attached form. You may apply as an individual or as a small group. Vague plans are difficult to evaluate so please be as specific as possible.

Application for Parents' Association Volunteering Award 2018

Part 1: Personal Information

We need this information in order to arrange interviews and if necessary to contact you on your return from your trip. We only use the information for purpose of the Sixth Form Volunteering Award Scheme.

Name	
Home phone no	
Mobile phone no	
Address	
Email	
Form	

Part 2: Details of the activity or project

Please attach a written application detailing:

- Statement of aims: why you have chosen the particular project/activity.
- Statement of objectives: what you hope to achieve and why this is your area of interest.
- Who will benefit from the project?
- How will the project benefit you, your future, the school?
- How you plan to achieve these objectives. What is your proposed itinerary?
- The costs – please breakdown costs as much as possible, eg for travel costs, volunteering project/activity costs, ancillary costs, living expense etc.
- How you propose to raise the funds for the trip.

Email to: shskpa@gmail.com by Friday 11th May 2018