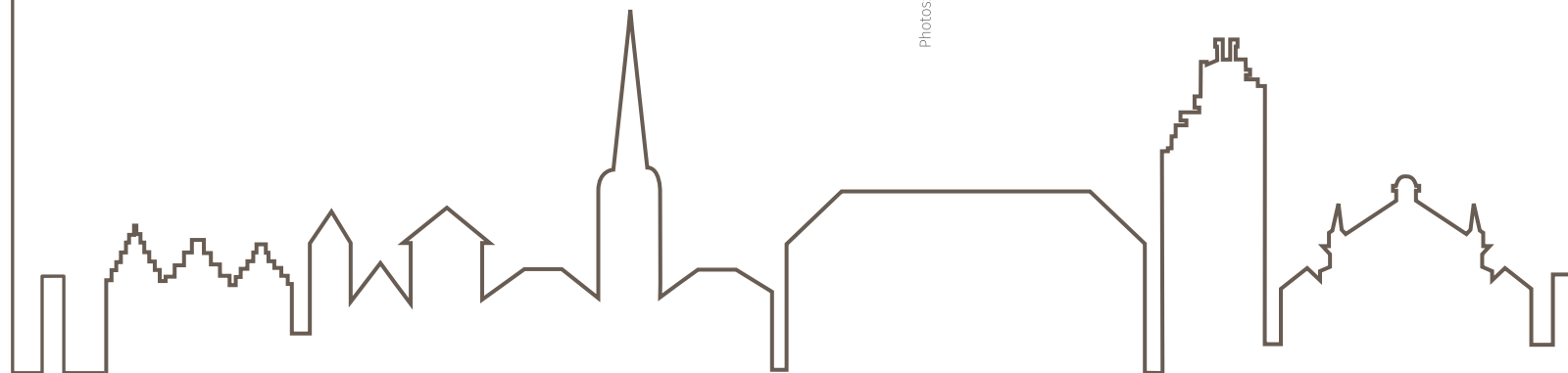




'Everybody should be able to use their skills and talents to reach for the stars'

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**Diesterweg-
Stipendium
für Kinder und
ihre Eltern**

The Diesterweg scholarship is the first family education scholarship in Germany and supports children and their families with the transition from elementary school to secondary school.

**The two-year support
provided in grades 4 and 5
is intended to:**

- Enable children with great potential for achievement to receive an education that reflects their talents, which could otherwise be jeopardised due to language or for other non-school-related reasons
- Encourage parents to be active educational companions to their children and to make the most of their opportunities to get involved

The programme accepts:

- Children in grade 4 with clear talent and potential and for whom the need for language support is not an obstacle
- Adults who want to give their children better support with their education and who need and want advice on this
- Children and their parents whose homes and schools are in the city of Osnabrück

Selections are made based on recommendations by elementary schools.

In the two-year support period, Diesterweg children and their families receive a variety of educational incentives:

ACADEMY DAYS

- Themed educational days on weekends in topics including mathematics, science and technology, German language and literature, reading and media skills, theatre, art, music, regional history and the environment
- Age-appropriate support from specialists to foster talents
- Information on education and support services in Osnabrück

PARENT & CHILD AFTERNOONS

- Discussions on current topics such as school, education, parenting and society
- Information on the local school and education system
- Information, advice and training on opportunities to get involved within the community
- Ideas for getting involved, in and out of school

TRIPS

- Learn about the cultural, educational and recreational facilities on offer in Osnabrück and the wider region
- Discover the city and its surroundings as a place to live and learn

THE DIESTERWEG FUND

- Up to €600 per family can be applied for per year for educational requirements and education-related purchases for children, e.g. for books and other media, private tuition

HOLIDAY COURSES

- Twice a year, one week each
- Find out more about learning strategies
- Expand your skills in various areas of education such as theatre, media, art, music and museums

PERSONAL SUPPORT

- Dedicated contact person and yearly home visits
- Can also accompany you to meetings with teachers and parents' evenings on request

LANGUAGE SUPPORT

- Weekly language support is also provided on request and if required

The scholarship programme has been running in Osnabrück since 2015. Up to 17 families are provided with support every year.

IMPACT

The Diesterweg scholarship programme was founded by the Polytechnic Foundation of Frankfurt am Main and has been implemented in a number of cities throughout Germany since 2008. The impact of the programme has been the subject of scientific research - with impressive results:

Children...

- ... receive effective support with the transition to secondary school
- ... have more confidence
- ... become more involved in lessons

Parents...

- ... become better at supporting their children with their education
- ... have more contact with schools and teaching staff
- ... were motivated to take on and carry out roles within the school environment
- ... feel a stronger sense of belonging in the city and in Germany

In Osnabrück, the Diesterweg scholarship is a collaborative project between the City of Osnabrück and the Friedel & Gisela Bohnenkamp Foundation.