



SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

Queen Mary's offers honorary Scholarships to both internal and external candidates. They are awarded to girls in the Senior School who demonstrate a particular aptitude for academic work, Art, Music, Sport or Riding. In addition, Senior Choristerships are awarded in Year 9.

The school offers Lower Senior Scholarships to girls entering Years 7 and 8 and Upper Senior Scholarships to girls entering Years 9 – 11, to both internal and external candidates. Current Year 8 scholars do not have to apply for an Upper Senior Scholarship. They have a supportive conversation with the scholarship lead ahead of being transferred to an Upper Senior Scholar in Year 9.

Scholarships awarded, up to and including those for the 2016-17 academic year, will continue to be honoured until the pupil leaves the school or, is reduced pending the annual review of the pupil's performance.

With effect from 1 September 2018 all scholarships are honorary awards, focusing on enhancing pupils' skills and talents, and have no financial remuneration off core fees. Music Scholarships and Senior Choristerships do offer financial remuneration for one set of Music Lessons and one examination per year.

Successful candidates will be supported during their time at the school and be enrolled in the school's relevant Scholarship Programme including opportunities to develop their talents and skills within workshops and on educational trips. Detailed information relating to the selection criteria and assessment processes for each Scholarship are outlined in the current Scholarship Information Booklet available from the Admissions Department.

The Process

Applications for Scholarships are invited during the Autumn Term for assessment in the Spring Term of each year for the forthcoming academic year. Both internal and external candidates can be considered for awards and are asked to contact the Admissions Office if they wish to apply.

In order to receive an award, candidates are required to submit an application form and undertake a Scholarship assessment. An external adjudicator will be present at the assessments. Scholarships are awarded only as the result of the Queen Mary's Scholarship assessments. Candidates may be entered for no more than three awards and girls who are awarded Scholarships will take up their awards in the following September.

A reference from an external candidate's school may be sought.

Expectations

Scholars will be encouraged to act as ambassadors and must contribute to the wider life of the school and in doing so will develop their skills and talents. The awards are continuously reviewed to ensure that every girl is making the expected progress and fulfilling her role as a scholar. Queen Mary's School reserves the right to remove the Scholarship award if these standards are not being maintained.

The availability of the awards are included in the school's literature and advertised on the school website. For further information contact admissions@queenmarys.org.

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