

S10. Scholarships and Bursaries Policy

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GENERAL

Westbrook Hay School ("the School") offers a range of scholarships to children who we believe would benefit from the curriculum and wider opportunities that the School offers, and who will contribute to the School's success.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are designed to reward excellence and to celebrate exceptional talent. They are awarded in recognition of outstanding achievement or promise in a particular area and involve financial support up to a maximum of 25% of the annual fee. Other benefits may be included with a scholarship offer, such as subsidised music lessons. In considering a child's suitability for a scholarship attention will be given to an assessment of the child's overall academic, sporting, musical or artistic achievement or potential. Scholarship funds are limited and those judged most suitable will be given priority as those most likely to gain most from the educational provision.

Scholars are expected to remain at the School until the end of Year 11 during which time the staff work with the scholars to help them achieve excellence.

Scholarships offered to pupils below Year 7, are available to external candidates only, in the following categories: Academic, Sport, Art, Music and Drama. A Headteacher's All-Rounder Award is also available, should a child demonstrate particular talent or potential in a range of areas.

Scholarships are generally offered into Year 7, but may be offered to pupils entering the Prep School at a younger age and parents are asked to indicate on the Registration Form whether they wish to apply for a scholarship.

The total number of scholarships available is limited, at the Headteacher's discretion, and the process of gaining a scholarship is competitive.

Scholarships into Year 7 and into Year 9 are open to internal and external candidates and the School reserves the right to vary the number and terms of scholarship awards according to the number and strength of applications.

Exhibition awards may be offered with a lower financial remission.

EXPECTATIONS

For Sport Scholars, children will be expected to:

- give whole-hearted commitment to the sports programme and full availability for Westbrook Hay fixtures. An occasion these may clash with external clubs, but the expectation is the pupil will represent the school
- to demonstrate an excellent attitude, ambition and work ethic towards sport
- have high standards in regard to on field conduct, fair play, kit, organisation and communication
- the ability to display leadership qualities within the sports environment.

For Music Scholars, children will be expected to:

- attend music-based clubs and to be committed to the chamber choir and orchestra
- display leadership qualities in the music clubs and events
- show enthusiasm and commitment to any out of school performances or competitions the music department might take part in. The expectation is that music scholars will be available to represent the school.

For Academic Scholars, children will be expected to:

- display tenacity when problem solving and thirst for knowledge when freely undertaking academic work in and outside of the classroom
- show commitment to their studies through their attitude in and out of the classroom
- take part in the able and talented programme and be an example to others both within that programme and the wider community.

For Performing Arts Scholars, children will be expected to:

- Maintain a high level of commitment to performing arts based clubs and be dedicated members of both the Dance Team and Drama Scholars Program.
- Demonstrate leadership qualities within performing arts activities, events and performances whilst serving as ambassadors for the performing arts within the school and support and mentor younger children coming through the performing arts pathway.
- Show enthusiasm, dedication, and a positive attitude towards rehearsals, showcases, and any out of school performances or competitions the

performing arts department takes part in, being prepared to represent the school in a variety of performing arts contexts.

For further information about scholarships please contact the Registrar via email registrar@westbrookhay.co.uk

ANNUAL REVIEW

For those in receipt of scholarships, the Head and Bursar have the discretion to reduce or withdraw an award not only where the pupil's progress, attitude or behaviour has been unsatisfactory but also where the parents/guardians have failed to support the School, for example by late payment of any contribution they are making to the fees.

Scholarship awards are subject to an annual review of pupil behaviour and commitment. The School reserves the right to vary these awards upwards or downwards depending on this annual review.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The School respects the confidentiality of scholarship awards made to families and recipients are expected to keep the nature and value of their award confidential from other parents.