



Scholarship Policy

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We award a range of scholarships to pupils in recognition of excellence and outstanding performance in a particular area. These awards are made annually and are available to children in selected year groups.

Scholarships are first and foremost a public celebration of a pupil's achievement. Quinton House scholars play an important part in school life and are expected to take a lead in the academic and extra-curricular activities of the whole school. In awarding a scholarship, Quinton House School will support the scholar in the continuous pursuit of excellence within their field, and, where applicable, liaise with external agencies to further support the pupil's progress in the scholarship area.

Quinton House School celebrates pupils with a broad range of talents and skills and we recognise and reward outstanding talent across the curriculum. We therefore award scholarships in academia, music and sport. We also offer an all-rounder award for those pupils who are able to contribute significantly to the Quinton House School community in a number of different fields.

Pupils awarded a scholarship will be entitled to a reduction in fees of up to 10% for Years 7-11 and up to 20% for the Sixth Form. This will be applied for the duration of the scholarship. At the end of the scholarship period, fees will revert to normal.

All scholarships awarded are at the Headteacher's discretion following the assessment programme.

Scholarships are awarded for entry to Year 7, 10 and 12. They are awarded for the duration of the Key Stage that the pupil is in. Pupils will need to re-apply to be considered for a scholarship for the next key stage.

All scholarships are dependent on the very highest standard of behaviour, effort and attitudes to learning at all times. Throughout their time at the school, scholars are expected to:

- Meet the highest standards within the scholarship field for his/her particular age;
- Behave as role models to younger pupils and ambassadors for the school;
- To represent the school and provide a service to the school as deemed appropriate by the Headteacher;
- To commit to school events, especially those related to the scholarship area.

The Headteacher may withdraw a scholarship at any point in the year for non-payment of school fees, poor pupil behaviour, lack of commitment and/or effort, attainment in the scholarship area falling below expected scholarship level and poor attendance at school.

Academic Scholarships

We offer up to three academic scholarships each year in celebration of outstanding academic ability. In keeping with the school's ethos, our scholarships are intended to encourage and reward attitudes to learning that will set standards for others. Accordingly, we believe that academic scholarships should recognise and reward the highest academic standard particularly in the core subjects of English, Mathematics and Science.

Pupils who would like to be considered for an Academic Scholarship will be required to sit a Scholarship Examination. Shortlisted pupils will then be invited to attend an interview with the Headteacher.

Sport

We offer up to two sports scholarship each year to pupils who will become leading sporting figures in the school and to those who are county, national and international competitors. We are looking to reward motivated leaders and team players who display not only natural talent but also sportsmanship.

Our sports scholars are expected to set the very best example to others through their high levels of motivation and commitment and support the school by assisting and representing the school in a range of sports and activities.

Pupils who would like to be considered for a Sports Scholarship will be required to submit a portfolio for assessment. This portfolio should provide clear evidence of their sporting achievements and must also include a reference from someone who has coached them.

Shortlisted pupils will then be invited to attend an interview with the Headteacher and will be asked to undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Director of Sport, this will include baseline fitness testing. Wherever possible, arrangements will be made for the Director of Sport to observe the candidate in action.

Whilst we are interested to receive applications from all talented young sportsmen and women, we look favourably on applicants with potential in our focus sports.

Music

We offer up to two music scholarship each year to pupils who have exceptional music talent in one or more musical instruments. Pupils awarded a music scholarship are expected to be around Grade 3 at the start of Year 7, Grade 5 at the start of Year 10 and Grade 7 at the start of Year 12. Pupils may also play an active part in town and county ensembles.

Music scholars play a vital part in life at Quinton House and they should be prepared to show commitment to the life of the music department. They are expected to be active

members of instrumental and vocal ensembles and show leadership to others in the school.

Pupils who would like to be considered for a Music Scholarship will be required to submit a portfolio for assessment. This portfolio should provide clear evidence of their musical achievements and must also include references from their instrumental teachers.

Shortlisted candidates for music scholarships will also be interviewed by the Headteacher and will be asked to undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Head of Music. This will include a performance, aural tests and sight-reading.

All-Rounder

We offer up to two all-rounder scholarship each year to pupils who will make an exceptional contribution to life at Quinton House.

Candidates for all-rounder awards must be academically able, demonstrate strong leadership potential and excel in one of the following areas: sport or music.

Please see individual awards for the information required on application.

Scholarship procedures for entry to Year 7

All pupils in Year 6 (External and Internal pupils) will be invited to sit the Quinton House School scholarship examination in January if they wish to be considered for either an academic or All-rounder scholarship.

Those wishing to be considered for the Sport, Music or All-rounder scholarships should submit their portfolios of evidence by 9am on 8th February 2017.

Shortlisted pupils will be invited to attend an interview with the Headteacher.

If the available scholarships are not filled at this point, pupils joining the school before the next application point may be considered.

Scholarships awarded at this time remain with the pupil until the end of Year 9.

Scholarship procedures for entry to Year 10 (not applicable in 2017)

All pupils in Year 9 (External and Internal pupils) will be invited to sit the Quinton House School scholarship exam in February.

Those wishing to be considered for the Sport, Music or All-rounder scholarships should submit their portfolios of evidence by 9am on the first day back after the February Half Term Holiday.

Shortlisted pupils will be invited to attend an interview with the Headteacher.

If the available scholarships are not filled at this point, pupils joining the school before the next application point may be considered.

Scholarships awarded at this time remain with the pupil until the end of Year 11.

Scholarship procedures for entry to Year 12

All pupils in Year 11 (External and Internal pupils) are invited to write a letter of application if they wish to be considered for a scholarship by 9am on the first day back after the February Half Term Holiday. The Academic scholarship awards will not be confirmed until the GCSE results have been published. These results will be taken into account and only those pupils with exceptional results will be considered.

Those wishing to be considered for the Sport or Music scholarships should submit their portfolios of evidence by 9am on the first day back after the February Half Term Holiday.

Shortlisted pupils will be invited to attend an interview with the Headteacher.

If the available scholarships are not filled at this point, pupils joining the school before the next application point may be considered.

Scholarships awarded at this time remain with the pupil until the end of Year 13.

Decision Announcement

Scholarships will be announced at an assembly near the beginning of the autumn term.