

## Scholarship Policy

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We award a range of scholarships to students in recognition of excellence and outstanding performance in a particular area. These awards are made annually and are available to children in Year 7. However, they may be available at the Headmaster's discretion at any point throughout the Senior School in order to recognise excellence.

Scholarships are first and foremost a public celebration of a student'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 student's progress in the scholarship area.

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

Students awarded a scholarship will be entitled to a reduction in fees of <u>up to 25%</u>. This will be applied for the duration of the scholarship, up to the end of Year 11 (subject to an annual review with the Headmaster).

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

# 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 students and ambassadors for the school;
- Represent the school and provide a service to the school as deemed appropriate by the Headmaster;
- Commit to school events, especially those related to the scholarship area.
- Demonstrate a commitment to developing their potential within their chosen areas.
- And as part of the annual review process, keep the Headmaster informed of any achievements/progress outside of school.

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

## Quinton House School will commit to:

- Support each student in achieving their potential in their chosen area.
- Encourage students to strive for excellence and help them achieve their goals.
- Help guide students to balance their academic, sporting / performing arts commitments by liaising with students, parents, coaches and specialist teachers.
- Support training and competition opportunities and commitments as appropriate.
- Endeavour to create flexible timetables for students who compete at the very highest levels.
- Promote and acknowledge students' successes within the school community.

## Decision Announcement

Scholarships will be announced at Prize Giving in the Summer Term when ties will be awarded.

## Academic Scholarships

We offer up to three academic scholarships each year in celebration of outstanding academic ability, in the core subjects of English, Mathematics and Science.

**The Quinton Scholarship** - one award up to a maximum of 25% is awarded to a student progressing into the Senior School that attended the Junior School from at least the start of Year 5.

**The Upton Scholarship** - two awards up to a maximum of 25% are open awards available to all students joining the Senior School in Year 7.

**Exhibition Awards** - the Headmaster may also make a specific 'Exhibition Award' in recognition of Scholarship examination performance and achievement to individual students that the school is not able to award a full scholarship. The maximum Award will be £1,200 and will be deducted termly from the tuition fee invoice at the rate of £400 per term for the first year of attendance in the Senior School. In exceptional circumstances, the Exhibition Award may be converted to a scholarship at the Headmaster's discretion.

All students who would like to be considered for an Academic Scholarship will be required to sit a Scholarship Examination in January 2018 and to attend a Scholarship Interview with senior members of staff.

## **Non-Academic Scholarships**

## <u>Sport</u>

We offer up to two sports scholarships each year, worth up to 25% each, to students 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.

Students 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.

Candidates will be invited to attend an interview with the Headmaster and will be asked to undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Director of Sport. This will include baseline fitness testing and wherever possible arrangements will be made for the Director of Sport to observe the candidate in action.

## Performing Arts Scholarships (Music, Dance and Drama)

We offer up to two performing arts scholarships each year, worth up to 25% to students who have exceptional talent in the performing arts. Students awarded a performing arts scholarship are expected to be at least Grade 5 in one or more instruments, which could include voice, or be able to demonstrate the equivalent or higher level of achievement in dance or drama.

Students who would like to be considered for a Performing Arts Scholarship will be required to submit a portfolio for assessment. This portfolio should provide clear evidence of their achievements and must also include references from their coaches.

Candidates for performing arts scholarships will also be interviewed by the Headmaster and will be asked to undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Head of Music and/or Head of Drama.

#### All-Rounder

All-rounder scholarships are available to students 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 at least one of the following areas: sport or performing arts.

Please see individual awards for the information required on application.