

YEAR 12 SCHOLARSHIPS

EXTERNAL CANDIDATES SEPTEMBER 2025 ENTRY



INTRODUCTION

We offer a number of scholarships to outstanding applicants joining the Sixth Form.

Scholarships available for Year 12 entry:

- Academic
- Sports
- Drama
- Music
- Art/photography
- Textile Design

REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the individual scholarship pages for further details on individual scholarship requirements.

Our scholarship students are expected to play an active part in the school for those areas they have been awarded a scholarship, as well as upholding a level of commitment to the wider school community, including assisting at our open events as a valued member of the school community.

LEVEL OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Scholarships awarded at Year 12 are worth £1000 per academic year.

Scholarships will be awarded for the full two-year A level course (subject to an annual review) and are dependent on maintaining a high overall standard of achievement and endeavour and continuation of the individual criteria and scholarship expectations.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

Please see the individual scholarship pages for the application criteria for each scholarship, together with details of the individual assessments undertaken for specific scholarship categories.

Academic

All Year 12 applicants are automatically considered for an academic scholarship as part of the sixth form entry academic assessments and therefore you do not need to apply for this.

Sports/Drama/Music/Art and Photography/Textile Design

Applications should be made for applicants wishing to be considered for all scholarships except academic. Applications can be made directly via the school's application portal and should be submitted by **Monday 4 November 2024**. You will find the form in the application checklist once you have submitted the admission application.

The application form includes a **Pupil Statement** which is to be written by the student themselves, giving an overview of their interests and outside activities relevant to their scholarship application, including a little about their possible contribution to the school and future aspirations. This can be uploaded as a file into the application or, if preferred, this can be completed on a separate sheet and submitted by email to the admissions team.

Applications may be accompanied by references provided to support their performance in their chosen specialisms at the time of submission (though these references are optional). All references should be received by the admissions team by **Monday 4 November 2024**.

Applicants are welcome to apply for more than one scholarship if appropriate.

Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their scholarship applications by the end of **December 2024**. For all categories except academic scholarships, the scholarship assessment programme and results are issued separately to the offer of entry.

All scholarship awards are conditional until confirmed following the GCSE results in August 2025.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP



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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

Academic scholarships are awarded to students achieving a high level of academic success who demonstrate themselves to be exemplary members of the school community.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The results of the academic entrance assessment, together with Year 10 examination results and any available GCSE mock examination results will be used as evidence of academic achievement.

All academic scholarships are conditional until confirmation following final GCSE grades have been received. Applicants must achieve a minimum of three grades 8 or 9 (or equivalent) together with a further four grade 7 (or equivalent) in GCSE exams including grade 7 in the subjects (or related subjects) which they intend to study at A level.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Academic scholarships are dependent on:

- maintaining a high overall standard of achievement, effort and behaviour in the end of year internal examinations (as a guide, grades ABB); and
- endeavour grades of 1-2 on the Claremont sixth form academic review.

Academic scholars are expected to play an active part Claremont school life and demonstrate a level of commitment to the wider school community, including assisting at our open events.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP



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There are up to two sports scholarships available each year.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

The award is a competitive process, but the following criteria for the award will be of assistance to applicants:

- Selection and participation in either one sport at county or national level in a *Claremont representative school sport, or a range of sports at school and club level.
- GCSE PE is not necessarily required, nor is the intention to study A Level PE.
- Applicants will need to meet the expected requirements of the school for entry into the sixth form as detailed in the sixth form curriculum booklet (sixth form academic prerequisites).
- Applicants must always demonstrate the highest standard of sportsmanship. Mentoring and coaching for younger players is expected.
- Applicants should have a passion for the subject and be willing, enthusiastic, reliable, hardworking and able to persevere through to a successful outcome.
- Two references of support must be received testifying to good character, exemplary behaviour and strong community involvement.

*Claremont representative sports assessed for scholarship are rugby, football, netball, lacrosse, cricket and tennis.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The scholarship assessment will take into consideration sporting ability and achievements, contribution to sports teams throughout the year, sportsmanship and leadership potential.

Applicants will be invited to perform at a practical assessment in their chosen sports in November 2024.

In addition, an interview will be held with a senior leader from the school in which we will seek evidence of an inquiring mind, breadth of knowledge and sound moral judgement.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Applicants must be committed to attending practices at lunchtime and after school and to participating in all team matches for which they are selected, as well as contributing to wider school life and attending events and open days.

Scholars must always demonstrate the highest standard of sportsmanship. Mentoring and coaching for younger players are expected.

Scholarships will be awarded for the full two year A Level course and are dependent on maintaining:

- A good overall standard of achievement;
- Endeavour grades 1-2 on the Claremont academic review
- Continuation of the criteria above.

DRAMA SCHOLARSHIP



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There are up to two drama scholarships available for sixth form.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

This is a competitive process, but the following criteria for the award will be of assistance to applicants:

- Scholarship applicants must intend to study A Level drama for the full two-year course.
- Applicants will need to meet the expected requirements of the school for entry into sixth form as detailed in the sixth form curriculum booklet (sixth form academic prerequisites).
- Applicants are required to demonstrate that they will make a positive contribution to the school. The applicant should be willing, enthusiastic, reliable, hard-working and able to persevere through to a successful outcome.
- Two references of support must be received testifying to good character, exemplary behaviour and strong community involvement.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Applicants will be invited to an interview with a senior leader from the school together with the head of drama in which the applicant must demonstrate to the interview panel that they will make a positive contribution to the school. The applicant should be able to produce evidence illustrating an active and ongoing involvement in drama and theatre and should be prepared to present an audition piece.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Applicants must be committed to participate in a varied programme of theatre visits and workshops and to assist in organising events in the drama department in conjunction with the director of drama, as well as contributing to wider school life and attending events and open days.

Scholarships are dependent on maintaining:

- A good overall standard of achievement;
- Endeavour grades 1-2 on the academic review
- continuation of the criteria above.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP



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There are up to two music scholarships available for sixth form.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

This is a competitive process, but the following criteria will be of assistance to applicants:

- Applicants will need to meet the expected requirements of the school for entry into sixth form.
- GCSE music is not necessarily required, but all applicants should be able to demonstrate interest, commitment and achievement in music; for example, by playing in an orchestra, singing in a choir or through grade examinations.
- Applicants need to offer two instruments, including voice, one of which should be at grade 6.
- Two references of support must be received testifying to good character, exemplary behaviour and strong community involvement.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Auditions will be held in December 2024. The audition will consist of:

- Performing a piece with or without accompaniment (we can provide an accompanist if required)
- Rhythmic tests
- Sight-reading tests
- An interview will be held with a senior leader from the Senior School and the director of music. Applicants should be prepared to discuss:
 - the music that they have played
 - their musical achievements thus far
 - their musical plans for the future
- Offers, subject to final grades, will be made by the end of December 2024, with confirmation after GCSE results have been received.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Music scholars are expected to work hard to further their individual music studies and to make a significant contribution to the wider musical life of the school through participation in at least two ensembles and a variety of concerts and assemblies each term.

ART/PHOTOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP



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There are up to two art/photography scholarships available for sixth form.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

This is a competitive process, but the following criteria will be of assistance to applicants:

- Applicants will need to meet the expected requirements of the school for entry into sixth form.
- A grade 7, 8 or 9 is required in GCSE Art.
- Applicants should intend to study A level fine art or photography for the full two-year course.
- The applicant should have great enthusiasm for the subject and be willing, reliable, hardworking and able to persevere through to a successful outcome.
- A willingness to visit art galleries and museums and an interest in researching art/photography are essential.
- Two references of support must be received testifying to good character, exemplary behaviour and strong community involvement.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Applicants will be invited to attend a drawing/photography test in November 2024.

Additionally, applicants will be invited to interview with a senior leader from the Senior School and the head of art in which the applicant needs to present a portfolio displaying skills in drawing, painting and sculpture.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

All art scholars studying fine art are expected to demonstrate their commitment to the subject by participating in life drawing sessions (or similar for photographers) offered by the school in addition to timetabled lessons.

Scholarships are dependent on maintaining a good overall standard of:

- achievement (minimum of B grade in the internal lower sixth art or photography examination); and
- endeavour (grades 1-2 on the academic review).

TEXTILE DESIGN SCHOLARSHIP



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There are up to two textile design scholarships available for sixth form.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

This is a competitive process, but the following criteria will be of assistance to applicants:

- Applicants will need to meet the expected requirements of the school for entry into sixth form.
- A grade 7, 8 or 9 is required in GCSE Textile Technology or Textile Design.
- Applicants should intend to study A level Textile Design for the full two-year course.
- The applicant should have great enthusiasm for the subject and be willing, reliable, hardworking and able to persevere through to a successful outcome.
- A willingness to visit art galleries and museums and an interest in researching art are essential.
- Two references of support must be received testifying to good character, exemplary behaviour and strong community involvement.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Applicants will be invited to attend a skills test in November 2024.

Additionally, applicants will be invited to interview with a senior leader from the Senior School and the head of textiles in which the applicant needs to present a portfolio displaying skills in textiles.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

All textiles' scholars are expected to demonstrate their commitment to the subject by participating in appropriate/relevant co-curricular activities in addition to timetabled lessons (e.g. supporting costume design and realisation for the school production).

Scholarships are dependent on maintaining a good overall standard of:

- achievement (minimum of B grade in the internal lower sixth textile design examination); and
- endeavour (grades 1-2 on the academic review).