



CLAREMONT FAN COURT SCHOOL

YEAR 7

SCHOLARSHIPS

EXTERNAL CANDIDATES
SEPTEMBER 2025 ENTRY



INTRODUCTION

We offer a number of scholarships to outstanding applicants through the Year 7 admissions process into the Senior School.

Scholarships available for Year 7 entry:

- Academic
- All-rounder
- Music

REQUIREMENTS

Scholarships awarded at Year 7 are awarded for the period up to the end of Year 11, subject to an annual review. 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 uphold a level of commitment to the wider school community including assisting at our open events.

LEVEL OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Academic and All-rounder Scholarships awarded at Year 7 are worth up to £1000 each academic year.

Music scholarships awarded at Year 7 are worth £1000 each academic year together with free tuition at school in one instrument. In addition, we have a separate award known as the Wienpahl music scholarship. This is awarded where a pupil demonstrates outstanding potential in the development of their musical ability and experience, with the expectation that they will achieve exceptional musical standards in their school musical career. This award brings £2000 fees remission each academic year.

For exceptional candidates from state primary schools, this financial award may be enhanced in liaison with the bursary.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

Please see the individual scholarship pages for the application criteria and ongoing scholarship expectations for each scholarship, together with details of the individual assessments undertaken.

Academic

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

All-rounder and Music

Applications should be made for applicants wishing to be considered for an all-rounder or music scholarship. Application forms should be completed via the application portal and submitted by **Monday 4 November 2024**. You will find the application form becomes available within the application

checklist on the portal, once the admission application has been submitted confirming that you are intending to apply for a scholarship.

Applications may be accompanied by **references** provided to support their performance in their chosen specialisms at the time of submissions (though these references are optional). These should be uploaded to the application portal by **Monday 4 November 2024**.

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. Again, this should be uploaded to the application portal.

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

Successful applicants for all scholarships awarded will be advised in late January 2025, issued as part of the offer pack.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Claire Williams in the admissions team via admissions@claremont.surrey.sch.uk or on **01372 473794**.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP



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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

Academic scholarships are awarded on the basis of a very high performance in the academic assessments together with their achievement in the interview process.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

All applicants for a place in Year 7 are automatically entered into consideration for an academic scholarship and are awarded on the basis of a very high performance in the general entrance assessments together with their achievement in the interview process.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Academic scholarships are dependent on maintaining a high overall standard of achievement, effort and behaviour on the half termly grade cards and full report namely:

- achievement grades of A*/A and B in Years 7-9 and grades 6 and above in Years 10 and 11
- endeavour grades of 1-2 in Years 7-9 and grade W or H in Years 10 and 11.

ALL-ROUNDER SCHOLARSHIP



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Applicants applying for an all-rounder scholarship are expected to achieve high standards in the academic assessment and offer strong evidence of success in at least **two** of the following areas:

- Art
- Drama
- Music
- Sport
- Citizenship

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

The criteria for the award are as follows:

- Applicants must achieve high standards in the assessment papers taken in December (English, mathematics, creative writing and non-verbal reasoning).
- Applicants should also offer strong evidence of success in at least two of the following:
 - **Art:** demonstrate an aptitude for art by presenting a portfolio
 - **Drama:** perform at a high level at school, club or equivalent
 - **Music:** voice or instrument at Grade 3 level
 - **Sport:** compete at club, district level or county level in a Claremont representative school sport* or a range of sports at school and club level (to include a Claremont representative school sport)
 - **Citizenship:** have demonstrated exceptional qualities and examples of citizenship at school, church and youth organisations

ARE ALL APPLICANTS ASSESSED?

Invitation to an all-rounder scholarship assessment is not automatic - the senior leadership team carefully consider all all-rounder applications received and those who have achieved high standards in the academic assessment papers will be invited through to the scholarship assessments in January.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Applicants invited through to the scholarship assessments will be asked to attend an interview 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 assessments are held during the interview period in January, and students should be prepared to attend scholarship assessments in their chosen fields, in addition to the entrance interview, as follows:

- Art – to attend an assessment with our art department to include a drawing test, presentation of an art portfolio and interview with the Head of art.
- Drama – to attend an assessment with our Head of drama, to include a monologue performance.
- Music – to attend an assessment with our Head of music, to include musical performance in their preferred instrument and sight-reading test.

- Sport – to attend a sports practical with our sports department in one or more of the Claremont representative sports*.
- Citizenship – to attend a citizenship interview to discuss and demonstrate their exceptional qualities in this area.

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

Successful applicants will be advised in early February, issued as part of the offer pack.

SCHOLARSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Depending on the strengths offered, applicants must be committed to attending practices and activities and to participating in all team matches for which he or she is selected, as well as contributing to wider school life and attending events and open days.

All-rounder scholarships are dependent on maintaining:

- a high overall standard of achievement, effort and behaviour (achievement grades of A* - C and endeavour grades of 1-2 on the half termly grade card and full report)
- continuation of the criteria above.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP



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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

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

- All applicants will be required to pass the general entrance assessment to be considered for scholarship.
- 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.
- All applicants need to offer two instruments (which may include voice) one of which should be at Grade 4 standard.

WIENPAHL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

This is awarded where a pupil demonstrates outstanding potential in the development of their musical ability and experience, with the expectation that they will achieve exceptional musical standards in their school musical career. All applicants for a music scholarship will also be considered for this award (no specific, additional, application is required).

SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Auditions will be held in January 2025 for entry into the school the following September. 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

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.

Scholarships are dependent on maintaining a high overall standard of achievement and endeavour and continuation of the criteria above.