

# Senior School Scholarship Policy

We award a range of scholarships in recognition of excellence

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The scholarship awards are available annually for students entering Years 7, 9 and 12.

Scholarships are, first and foremost, a public celebration of a student's achievements. Quinton House scholars play an important part in school life and are expected to take a lead in academic and co-curricular activities.

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 recognises and rewards outstanding talent across the curriculum. We therefore award scholarships in academics, sports, performing arts, and for exceptional contributions to school life. We also offer an all-rounder award for those students who contribute significantly to the Quinton House School community in multiple fields.

Students awarded a scholarship will be entitled to a reduction in fees, which will apply for the duration of the scholarship, subject to an annual review. Current scholarship holders may pursue further awards, such as a Sports Scholar applying for the Griffiths Scholarship later in their school career. If successful, it may not result in an increased discount.

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

All scholarships are contingent upon the highest standards of behaviour, effort, and attitude to learning at all times. Throughout their time at the school, scholars are expected to:

- Meet the highest standards within the scholarship field for their age.
- Serve as role models for younger students and ambassadors for the school.
- Represent the school and provide service as deemed appropriate by the Headmaster.
- Commit to school events, especially those related to the scholarship area.
- Demonstrate a commitment to developing their potential in their chosen areas.
- As part of the annual review process, keep the Headmaster informed of any achievements or progress outside of school.

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

#### Quinton House School commits to:

- Supporting each student in achieving their potential in their chosen area.
- Encouraging students to strive for excellence and helping them achieve their goals.
- Helping students balance their academic, sporting, and/or performing arts commitments by liaising with students, parents, coaches, and specialist teachers.
- Supporting training and competition opportunities as appropriate.

- Endeavouring to create flexible timetables for students competing at the highest levels.
- Promoting and acknowledging students' successes within the school community.

# **Academic Scholarships**

Awarded to those excelling in Mathematics and English. These students not only work well above age-related expectations but also demonstrate a commitment to wider reading, research, national or global competitions, and leadership in their areas of excellence. Academic scholarships are awarded to students who not only score the highest in the examinations but also speak with passion and insight about their chosen area.

Students pursuing this route will sit assessments followed by an interview with the Headmaster.

Non-Academic Scholarships

#### Sport

We offer two sports scholarships each year to students who will become leading sporting figures in the school and those who are county, national, or international competitors. We look for motivated leaders and team players who display not only natural talent but also sportsmanship.

Students applying 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 include a reference from a coach.

Candidates will be invited to attend an interview with senior staff and undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Head of PE. This may include baseline fitness testing, and, where possible, a member of the Physical Education department will observe the candidate in action.

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

We offer two performing arts scholarships each year to students with 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, including voice, or demonstrate an equivalent or higher level of achievement in drama.

Students applying for a performing arts scholarship will be required to submit a portfolio for assessment. This portfolio should provide clear evidence of their achievements and include references from their coach/teacher.

Candidates will also be interviewed by senior staff and asked to undertake a practical assessment overseen by the Head of Music and/or Head of Drama.

### **Art Scholarships**

We offer two art scholarships to students demonstrating outstanding ability in art,

particularly through creativity, imagination, manipulative skills, strong powers of observation, and evidence of specialist language and concepts appropriate to the appreciation of art. Holders of art scholarships are expected to make a significant co-curricular commitment to their artwork.

Art scholarships are normally awarded for the duration of a student's school career but may initially be offered for a set number of years. All scholarships are reviewed annually, and their continuance depends on satisfactory conduct, attitude, participation, and progress.

The application process requires a portfolio of work, supported by a practical assessment and interview with the Head of Art and Photography.

## The Griffiths Scholarship

Named after the husband-and-wife team who owned, taught, and lived at Quinton House, Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths fostered the family atmosphere we all hold dear.

The Griffiths scholarships are available to current students who make an exceptional contribution to life at Quinton House.

Candidates must be academically committed, demonstrate leadership potential, and be passionate about the development of the school.

For further questions, please contact admissions@quintonhouseschool.co.uk.