



New Hall School

YEAR 7 SCHOLARSHIPS AND SPECIAL TALENT AWARDS ACADEMIC YEAR 2018 - 2019

New Hall School offers scholarships and awards at Year 7 entry, Year 9 (external joiners only) and Sixth Form entry. Year 7 scholarships are assessed separately for boys and girls and each scholarship is offered in both the Girls' Division Boys' and Division. Assessment is based on performance in the New Hall entrance assessments as appropriate to the point of entry. The current Headteacher's report/reference and interview also play an important part of the assessment process. Following the scholarship assessments, students will be ranked accordingly and scholarships will be offered to the best performing students overall. Preference may be given to full/weekly boarders and Catholics, where candidates of a similar ability are being considered for scholarships.

The school celebrates the honour of all scholarship achievements and students who win scholarships gain an important benefit in terms of the public recognition, media coverage, school references, university admissions and job applications. There is a Most Able & Talented (MAT) Programme and scholars who are placed on the MAT Register are afforded additional target setting, monitoring and reporting.

Most scholarships will have a monetary value attached to them with named scholarships being awarded as a percentage of fees to the highest performers in the academic assessments. All scholarships are net of prompt payment discount. The total value of the scholarships awarded will depend on the available funds. In the event that parents do not require the fee remission attached to a scholarship in order to afford the school fees, they are invited to donate part or all of the fee remission to a designated bursaries fund. Subject to the availability of funds, an additional means-tested remission up to 100% of fees may be awarded to a recipient of a scholarship, if the fees would otherwise be unaffordable.

Year 7 Scholarships and Special Talent Awards

Candidates follow the normal entrance procedure (assessments and interview). Candidates applying for a Music or Sport Scholarship will also undergo further assessment relevant to the scholarship. For entry in September 2018, assessments will take place for boys and girls in November 2017.

The following scholarship categories may be awarded at Year 7 entry:

- **Year 7 Academic Scholarship.** This scholarship is awarded to the student who excels academically. The highest achieving academic scholar will win the Year 7 Hawley Academic Scholarship.
- **Year 7 Open Scholarship (All Rounder).** The highest achieving all rounder scholar will win the Year 7 Dennett All Rounder Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to a student who is likely to contribute exceptionally well to the overall life of the school. The recipient is likely to be in the top quartile academically, with major co-curricular strengths. Students will be selected from the scholarship assessments and the current Headteacher's reference will be given careful consideration. Students applying for an all

rounder scholarship must also apply for at least one of the following scholarships/award: music, sport), or special talent (drama).

- **Year 7 Diocesan Scholarship.** The St Augustine Scholarship is awarded to a practising Catholic student who is currently attending a voluntary-aided Catholic primary school, and who has attended this school for at least the final 2 years. The scholarship may be awarded for any of the 4 main scholarship categories at Year 7, i.e. academic, all rounder, music or sport. Candidates will need to provide a copy of their baptismal and first Holy Communion certificates. The priest reference form must also be completed.
- **Year 7 Catholic Independent Schools Scholarship.** The Dolman Scholarship is awarded to a practising Catholic student who is currently attending a Catholic independent school and who has attended this school for at least the final 2 years. The scholarship may be awarded for any of the 4 main scholarship categories at Year 7, i.e. academic, all rounder, music or sport. Candidates will need to provide a copy of their baptismal and first Holy Communion certificates. The priest reference form must also be completed.
- **Year 7 Music Scholarship.** The highest achieving music scholar will win the Year 7 St Cecilia Scholarship. This scholarship includes tuition fees for one instrument (with the possibility of funding for 2 instruments, depending on ability and suitability of the second instrument). The school looks for evidence of future potential as well as current achievements. Candidates will be assessed for the scholarship by the Director of Music at the time of the entrance examinations. The St Cecilia scholar will be expected to take a leading role in school ensemble activities, and to perform at concerts and other public events.
- **Year 7 Sport Scholarship.** The highest achieving sports scholar will win the Year 7 Anderson Scholarship. Proven sporting ability/interests will be the basis for selection and potential will also be assessed. Priority will be given to candidates who excel in at least 2 of the school's major sports (rugby, hockey, netball, cricket, tennis and athletics). In the event that a student excels in only one particular sporting field, a scholarship may still be awarded. Candidates will be assessed for the scholarship by the Director/s of Sport at the time of the entrance examinations. Evidence of the student's achievements, including a testimonial from their coach etc., will need to be provided before assessment takes place. The Year 7 Sport scholar will be expected to represent the school at sporting events as required by the Director/s of Sport.
- **Tennis Scholarship.** This scholarship may be awarded to a student who has exceptional ability in tennis and is selected by the Head of Tennis for the New Hall Tennis Academy. Proven ability at a regional/national level is required. The Tennis Scholar will be expected to represent the school at sporting events as required by the Director/s of Sport/Head of Tennis.
- **Special Talent Award.** This award will be presented to a student who excels in one area (linked to drama, music or sport) to a high level i.e. competing at county, national or international level. This award will provide the student with an annual financial contribution of £500 towards lessons or equipment in the area of special talent for the duration of their time in the Boys' or Girls' Division (a maximum of 5 years). This award will be reviewed at the end of each academic year. Students will be asked to provide ongoing evidence of their special talent. The student in receipt of a Special Talent Award will be expected to represent the school in their area of expertise.