



Warwick
Preparatory
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King's High School



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SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The Schools within Warwick Independent Schools Foundation (“the Foundation”) maintain high standards in academic and other achievements.
- 1.2 The Foundation Governors (“the Governors”) are committed to the award of Scholarships to recognise exceptional abilities, both academic and for boys and girls who show particular talent, ability or potential in a range of areas such as art, design technology, sport, drama and music.
- 1.3 The Governors are committed to ensuring equal opportunities for both boys and girls.
- 1.4 It is recognised that the award of Scholarships can help attract particularly able pupils to the school who will contribute to academic achievement and to the academic community as a whole and/or demonstrate significant talent in other areas.
- 1.5 Being a school Scholar carries considerable prestige for the pupil and his or her parents and this may be more important than its monetary value.

2.0 Proportion of fees awarded

- 2.1 It should be noted that the Foundation’s scholarship and bursary funding is prioritised for means-tested bursaries which will broaden access to the Schools to pupils who would not otherwise be able to benefit from the educational opportunities provided by the Foundation.
- 2.2 The normal maximum value of Scholarships is 20% of fees, but the Heads have discretion to offer higher value scholarships to an absolute maximum of 50% of fees to exceptionally able pupils.
- 2.3 Pupils may be offered double scholarships where they are identified as both academically excellent and gifted and talented in another extra-curricular area. Should these add up to more than 50% (which would be exceptional), they would only be offered with the express permission of the School Chair.
- 2.4 Parents have the option of accepting the scholarship as an honour and foregoing the monetary value in order to release the funds for use towards bursaries.
- 2.5 Parents of pupils who have been awarded a Scholarship can also apply for a means-tested Bursary Award, which would be in addition to the Scholarship award.

3.0 Application Process

- 3.1 Pupils eligible for scholarships are those who have already achieved a place at the Foundation Schools through the normal entry requirements.
- 3.2 **Academic Scholarships** may be awarded at entry into Year 7, Year 9 (Warwick School only)¹ and the Sixth Form. Potential Scholars are identified by considering the highest scores (usually the top 7 to 10 pupils) achieved in relevant examinations. Relevant examinations include the entry exams taken for King's High School and Warwick School, or in the case of Sixth Form entries, from papers set in their chosen A-Level subjects. Candidates will then be interviewed.
- 3.3 **Music Scholarships** may be awarded at entry into Year 7, Year 9 (Warwick School only)¹ and the Sixth Form, following aural tests and singing or playing of at least one musical instrument.
- 3.4 **All Rounder/Performance Awards** may be awarded to King's High School Sixth Form girls who have academic ability plus potential or proven ability for other subjects, as demonstrated through all or a combination of:
- interview,
 - record of achievement in the subject,
 - auditions/practical tests,
 - references from current school.
- All-rounder scholarships at Warwick School are not applied for but may be awarded when deemed appropriate by the Senior Management Team and relevant Head(s) of Department.
- 3.5 **Warwick School Honorary Scholarships** – Warwick School may offer up to two Honorary Scholarships per year if the scholarship fund is insufficient to cover the number of scholarships that the School wishes to award.

4.0 Withdrawal of Awards

- 4.1 The Heads and Foundation Secretary have the discretion to withdraw an award where a pupil's progress, attitude or behaviour has been unsatisfactory and/or where the parents/guardians have failed to support the school, for example by continued late payment of the contribution they are making to the fees.

Signed
Chairman of Education & Resources Committee

¹ King's High School does not have a formal Year 9 entry.