

# DUCHY COLLEGE

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**SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES INFORMATION FOR 2027**  
CO-ED APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7 AND 12

Since 1893



# SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES YOUR CHANCE TO SHINE

We are committed to celebrating and recognising individual excellence, as well as extending our offer as widely as possible.



We have a range of scholarships and bursaries available to potential pupils with a specific talent, including: Academic, Music, Choral, Sport, Creative Arts and Drama Scholarships.



In addition to individual talents, we are looking for something special in our scholars. We are looking for pupils who embody our ethos of “a passion for learning and a love of life”, demonstrate grit and determination to succeed and show enthusiasm for inspiring and motivating others.

Our scholars are role models within school. They lead by example in their approach and commitment to the Duchy College community (scholars can be day or boarding pupils).

### **Benefits of Being a Scholar**

Being a scholar is, in itself, a great honour and our scholars are held in high esteem within our school community, but scholarships also carry a number of other benefits, including:

- > **Discount of 5% on standard day fees**
- > **Extensive programme of scholars' events**
- > **Mentoring by a teacher or senior scholar**
- > **Annual scholars' dinner with the Principal**

### **Applications and Assessment**

Scholarships are open to all pupils joining school at Year 7, Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12 (existing pupils can also apply in Year 9 or Year 11).

Scholarship applications are open during the Autumn Term in the year prior to joining, followed by assessments the following January. Awards are then announced at the end of January. We will consider scholarship applications outside of these timescales subject to availability.

To apply for a scholarship, you will need to:

- > Submit a Scholarship Application Form (including a hand written statement by the applicant detailing why they believe they should be considered for a scholarship).
- > Provide details of the applicant's current school so we can request a reference.

### **Assessment for scholarships is based on the following:**

#### **Standard Entrance Assessment**

All applicants are required to complete our standard Entrance Assessment. For Year 7 applicants, this is made up of Non-Verbal Reasoning, English & Maths assessment and an interview. For Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12 applicants, this involves English & Maths papers and an interview.

#### **Scholarship Assessment**

In addition to the above, scholarship applicants are required to undertake a specific scholarship assessment. The scholarship assessment varies depending on the type of scholarship you would like to apply for. Please refer to the subsequent pages for details of specific scholarship assessments.

## Overview of Scholarships Available

We have a number of scholarships available, which recognise a wide range of exceptional talents. Candidates can apply for a maximum of two scholarships from the choices below. (Successful candidates will only be awarded one scholarship.)

### > Academic Scholarship

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

#### Expectations

Attendance at the half-termly academic scholar meetings run by the Head Scholar and Deputy Head Academic. These meetings provide an invaluable opportunity to input into the academic development of the school.

Completion of the Scholar's Project which focuses on an academic subject matter of their choice which must be independently researched. These are then shown to the school community at the annual presentation event in May/June.

#### Assessment

Standard Entrance Assessment.

General scholarship paper. (Pupils applying for scholarships to join Years 9, 10 and 12, can choose a Sciences paper or a Humanities paper in place of the General scholarship paper.)

Interview with the Deputy Head Academic.

### > Creative Arts

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

#### Expectations

To be a positive role model for art and creative projects within both the Art and Textiles Departments. To actively participate and lead in clubs and active mentoring of peers/younger pupils.

#### Assessment

Standard entrance assessment.

Creative portfolio including drawing, painting, creative textiles, print work and photography.

Interview with Head of Art and Head of Textiles to discuss your creative interest and pursuits. This could include exhibitions, workshops attended, hobbies, favourite films or other inspirational events you may have participated in.

Short practical drawing exercise with a wide choice of art and textiles materials.

### > Choral

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

#### Expectations

Commitment to Gallery Choir (ages 11-13) and / or Chapel Choir (ages 14-18). (NB: Chapel Choir includes some weekend commitments throughout the academic year.)

Provide guidance and mentoring to other pupils.

#### Assessment

Standard Entrance Assessment.

Audition with the Director of Music.

Perform two prepared songs in contrasting styles. Please bring relevant piano accompaniments.

Sight reading, voice and musicianship tests.

Interview with the Principal.

### > Drama

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

#### Expectations

Active participation in the School Production, the House Drama Competition and performances for concerts and events throughout the year.

Guidance and mentoring of peers and younger pupils.

Demonstrate a positive and purposeful approach to curriculum Drama.

#### Assessment

Standard Entrance Assessment.

Audition with the Head of Drama.

2-3-minute solo audition piece of your choice, ideally performed by heart (NB. can be from any published play, poem or literature).

Respond to spontaneous direction and demonstrate a passion for Drama and the Performing Arts.

Interview with the Principal.



## > Music

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

### Expectations

Take a leading part in the musical life of College through embracing opportunities for solo and performance, along with active membership of ensembles and choirs as advised by the Director of Music. All Lower School Music Scholars sing in Gallery choir.

Provide guidance and mentoring to other pupils, with opportunities to lead ensembles as appropriate.

### Assessment

Standard Entrance Assessment.

Audition with the Director of Music.

Perform two prepared pieces on main instrument and one piece on any other instrument (or singing). Please bring all instruments to the assessment, along with the relevant piano accompaniments.

Grade 3 or equivalent for Year 7 assessment in at least one instrument. (Grade 5 for Year 9 assessment and Grade 7 for Year 12 assessment.)

Sight reading and musicianship tests.

Interview with the Principal.

## > Sport

**Fee Remission** 5% of day fees

### Expectations

Sports scholars can apply for a standard sports scholarship or a specialist sports scholarship in one of our core sports including football, netball, cricket, tennis, swimming, athletics and cross country.

Standard Sports Scholars will be expected to actively participate in at least two of the school's sports teams and other PE department activities, as well as representing the school in competitive matches (including Saturday fixtures).

All Sport Scholars are expected to be positive role models to their peers and younger pupils. They should also demonstrate excellent enthusiasm and commitment to their sport.

### Assessment

Standard Entrance Assessment.

Assessment with the Head of Sport.

All Sport Scholar applicants will be asked to complete a range of fitness and skills tests.

Standard Sport Scholars will also be asked to complete games based skills tests and a swimming assessment.

Those applying for specialist Sport Scholarships will also be asked to complete an assessment in their selected area of specialism and provide additional evidence of their achievements in their application such as a reference from an external coach; certificates or awards; and / or a video demonstrating their specialist skills.

Interview with the Principal.



## Bursaries & Financial Assistance

We are proud to be a socially and culturally diverse school community. We are committed to widening access to our schools to families who might not otherwise be able to fund a place.

Each year, we self-fund financial assistance for a small number of families to help with school fees. This is in the form of means tested bursaries, which can be up to 100%. The level of financial assistance awarded to each family is determined by individual financial circumstances, taking into account both income and assets.

We do not set specific academic criteria to qualify for a bursary, but we are looking for pupils who are truly passionate about joining our school and demonstrate the potential to contribute to our school community.

We normally ask that bursary applications are submitted by the beginning of October of the year prior to joining. We will consider applications outside of these timescale subject to availability of bursary funds.

You can apply for a means tested bursary alongside a Scholarship to supplement a Scholarship award.

### Spreading the Cost of Fees

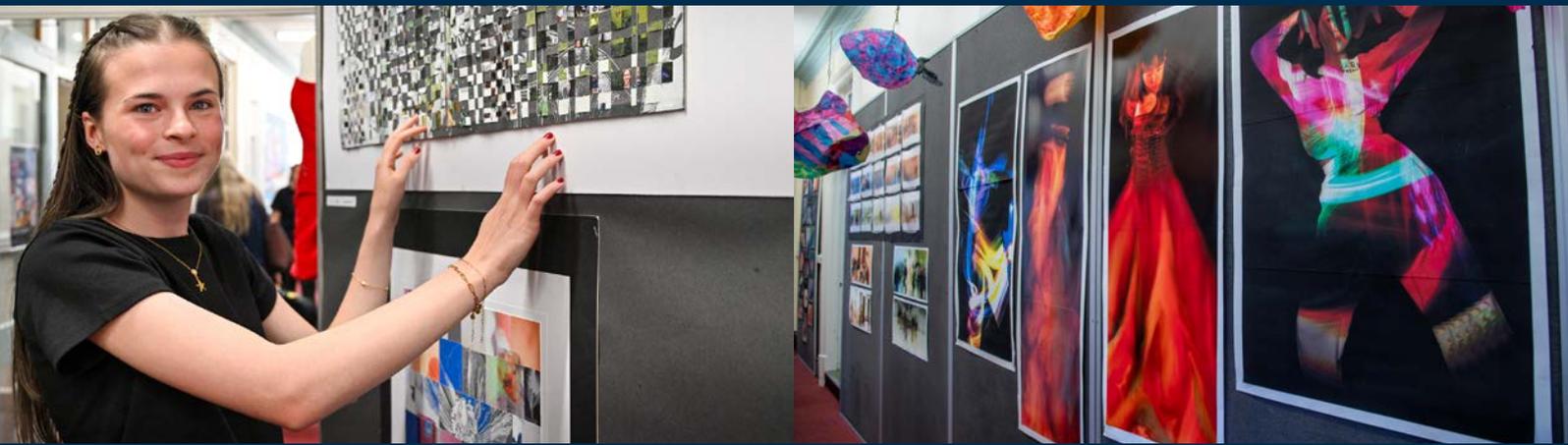
In addition to bursary support, we also offer a direct debit scheme which enables families to spread the cost of school fees over nine monthly payments.

### Applying for Financial Assistance

Applying for financial assistance is a confidential process undertaken directly with our Finance Director. We aim to make the process as straight forward as possible:

- Step 1:** In the first instance, we ask that you contact our Admissions Team for an informal discussion about financial support and to register your interest in applying for a bursary.
- Step 2:** The next step is to complete our Means Tested Bursary Application form. We may also arrange for you to meet with an independent financial assessor (meetings may take place virtually). Please try and provide as much information as possible, together with relevant supporting documentation.
- Step 3:** Bursary awards are officially confirmed when you receive an offer of a place at College. (Bursaries are reviewed annually.)

For an initial discussion regarding financial assistance prior to application, please contact our Admissions Team on **01423 537045** or email **[admissions@duchycollege.org.uk](mailto:admissions@duchycollege.org.uk)**.



## 2027 Scholarship & Bursary Application Dates

### Entry into Year 7 in September 2027:

**4 December 2027**

Bursary application deadline

**TBC**

Scholarship & Entrance Examination application deadline

**TBC**

11+ Scholarship Assessments

**TBC**

11+ Entrance Examinations

**TBC**

11+ Offers issued – including Scholarship and Bursary awards

**TBC**

Deadline for acceptance of a place

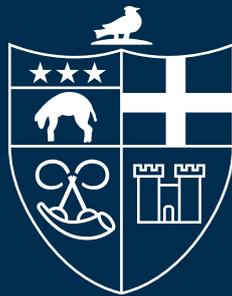
### Entry into other Year Groups:

For pupils joining school in Year 9 (13+), Year 10 (14+) and Year 12 (16+), the scholarship application and assessment process roughly follows the same timescales as outlined above, however Entrance Exams and Scholarship Assessments are arranged on an individual basis.

Means tested bursaries can be applied for in all year groups and we normally recommend applying for a Bursary by the beginning of October prior to the year of joining.

## Find out More and Apply Online

If you would like to find out more about our 2027 scholarship programme, please contact our Admissions Team on **01423 537045** or email **[admissions@duchycollege.org.uk](mailto:admissions@duchycollege.org.uk)**



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