







11+ Scholarship & Bursary Awards 2019

# AWARDS AT ST GABRIEL'S

Awards at St Gabriel's recognise the pursuit of learning at a level of excellence.

St Gabriel's offers Academic, Art, Performing Arts (Dance, Drama & Music) and Sports Scholarships to pupils entering Year 7.

These awards are recognised by a number of schemes within the school, primarily the Challenge & Extension Programme, which

- Offers our gifted and talented students extended and differentiated work in lessons to ensure that they reach their full potential
- Runs an exciting programme of co-curricular events throughout the year, including termly scholars' breakfasts, guest speakers and workshops as well as departmental activities and trips, that are additional to the curriculum
- Provides a mentor scheme for Academic Scholars, whereby a chosen member of staff meets regularly with their mentee to extend their learning outside of the curriculum in a variety of different ways. For Art, Performing Arts and Sport Scholars there are regular opportunities to work with the appropriate Head of Department alongside other scholars in their discipline.
- Academic Scholars will be encouraged to read widely beyond the curriculum and the school will provide them with a subscription to a publication of their choice to support them in this.

### Requirement of Entry

It is a requirement of entry that all scholarship candidates have passed the 11+ entrance examinations.

#### Scholarship Days

Scholarship candidates are invited to attend a scholarship day at the school.

## **Applications**

Application forms and further information are available from the Admissions Manager.

Completed applications must reach the Admissions Office by Friday, 26 October 2018.

#### **Annual Review**

11+ scholarships are tenable until the end of Year 11.

All awards are subject to a satisfactory annual review of progress based on the candidate's continued suitability for the award.

# How To Apply

- All candidates who would like to be considered for an award must be a current pupil or be registered to join the school.
- Applicants for the 11+ awards in Art, the Performing Arts (Dance, Drama & Music) and Sport may apply for one or more award.
- Candidates who meet the selection criteria listed in this prospectus will be invited to attend a scholarship day.
- Candidates will be informed, in writing, within one week of the scholarship day whether they have been successful.
- The closing date for accepting a place and a scholarship award is Monday, 4 March 2019.
- Scholarship application forms are available from the Admissions Office.

# ADMISSIONS CALENDAR FOR ENTRY TO YEAR 7 IN SEPTEMBER 2019

## 2018

6 October Open Morning

16 October 11+ Candidates' Day

21 October Closing Date for 11+ Entrance Examination Enrolment

28 October Closing Date for 11+ Montagu Award Applications; Art, Performing Arts (Dance,

Drama & Music) and Sports Scholarship Applications

31 October 11+ Entrance Examinations (Internal & External Candidates)

12 November Academic Scholarship Day

22 November Art, Performing Arts (Dance, Drama & Music) and Sports Scholarship Day

#### 2019

25 January Year 6 Parents' Senior School Taster Morning

4 March Closing Date for Acceptances

13 June Year 7 Senior School Induction Day (1)

21 June Year 7 Senior School Induction Day (2)

# 11+ MONTAGU AWARDS

# The Award

Montagu Awards are monetary awards made available at 11+ with the specific aim of making St Gabriel's accessible to girls who would not otherwise be able to enjoy the unique education we offer.

The awards, made at the Principal's discretion, are offered to girls who show particular academic ability or to Art, Performing Arts or Sports scholars. Montagu Awards are subject to financial means-testing.

## **Requirements for Entry**

Applications for Montagu Awards should be supported by the girl's current head teacher. Montagu Award candidates who perform particularly well in the entrance examinations will be invited back to meet the Principal and Vice-Principal and will take part in master classes with selected Heads of Department.

All candidates are required to sit the 11+ entrance examinations.

Bursary Guidance and a Montagu Award application form may be downloaded from our website, www.stgabriels.co.uk/bursaries.

# 11+ ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

## The Award

Academic scholarships are honorary and are awarded by the Principal on a discretionary basis according to a candidate's performance in both the entrance examinations and on the scholarship day.

# Requirements for Entry

11+ academic scholarships are by invitation only from the Principal. Girls who have performed particularly well in the entrance examinations may be invited back to meet the Principal and Vice-Principal and will take part in master classes with selected Heads of Department.

## Scholarship Day

Candidates attend a joint interview with the Principal and Vice-Principal for 20 minutes, where they will be asked about their school life, interests and aptitudes.

Candidates attend lessons in Mathematics, Science and English.

# 11+ ART SCHOLARSHIPS

The Art Department at St Gabriel's is set in an exciting and stimulating environment. Students work with a wide variety of mediums, including fine art, ceramics, textiles and photography. Standards achieved are very high and exam results are outstanding. Art scholars meet with the Head of Art half-termly to review progress and set creative extension tasks to encourage scholars to expand their creative skills and maximise their potential.

#### The Award

Art scholarships are honorary and may be awarded to outstanding candidates. The scholarship is based on the strength of the candidate's portfolio and a practical assessment and interview.

#### **Requirements for Entry**

- Candidates must submit a portfolio of their own work
- The panel are looking for proof of the candidate's enjoyment, passion and enthusiasm for art and their potential for progress

#### Scholarship Day

- Candidates attend a 15 minute interview with the Head of Art
- Candidates complete a practical task that involves an observational study and a short written task, where they will be asked to analyse an artwork. Candidates will have approximately 30 minutes to complete each task

## The Portfolio

Candidates must submit examples of their work on scholarship day to the Art Department in art folders/boxed up. Portfolios should demonstrate the development of the candidate's work as far back as possible, and reflect a genuine interest and passion for art with pieces produced in school, in art clubs and at home.

## The portfolio should include:

- An outline/brief of the work contained in the portfolio
- A demonstration of work in a variety of different mediums including, if possible, three dimensional art eg sculpture, ceramics or papier mâché
- Other work eg drawings, paintings, collage, mixed media work
- Evidence of the use of other artists' work to influence the candidate's own
- Evidence that the candidate is interested in art as well as skilled (contents should include work from previous years which was carried out at home as well as in school)
- Work should include pieces produced for pleasure, showing spontaneity and a passion for the subject, rather than specially produced for this portfolio

# 11+ DANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Dance scholarships at St Gabriel's are awarded to foster and enhance the strong tradition of dance within the whole school. Dance scholars are expected to contribute in as many aspects of the school's dance and performance activities as the Head of Dance can reasonably require.

There are numerous opportunities for dance scholars to perform in front of an audience at a professional venue, including the biennial dance show and external performance events. In addition, from Year 9, dance scholars are invited to join Angelis, the St Gabriel's elite dance company.

#### The Award

Dance scholarships are honorary and may be awarded to outstanding candidates. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of audition.

## Requirements for Entry

Candidates should have a good level of knowledge and understanding of dance as a whole as well as:

- · A minimum of two years dance experience in a group outside of school
- Experience in ballet, tap, modern or contemporary dance preferred, but not essential
- Syllabus or grade examinations not essential
- A written report on the candidate's suitability for scholarship from their dance teacher
- Enjoyment, enthusiasm and appreciation for dance is paramount and should be demonstrated in a personal statement detailing their suitability for the role

### Scholarship Day

Candidates attend an audition, which will include:

- The participation in a short class in which the candidate will be given the opportunity to demonstrate their technical ability and creative skills
- The performance of a prepared one minute solo, choreographed by the candidate in their own chosen style
- A short interview conducted by the panel

Dance scholars are supported by highly qualified and experienced dance practitioners who will provide guidance, advice and support, enabling them to achieve their true potential.

# 11+ DRAMA SCHOLARSHIPS

Drama scholarships at St Gabriel's are awarded to foster and enhance the strong tradition of drama within the whole school. Drama scholars are expected to contribute in as many aspects of the school's drama and performance activities as the Head of Drama can reasonably require. There are numerous opportunities to perform in front of an audience in a professional theatre, including the annual Shakespeare Schools Festival and the biennial Senior School production.

#### The Award

Drama scholarships are honorary and may be awarded to outstanding candidates. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of audition.

#### **Requirements for Entry**

Candidates should have a good level of knowledge and understanding of drama, as a whole, as well as:

- Drama experience in a group outside of school
- A written report on their suitability for scholarship from their drama teacher
- Enjoyment, enthusiasm and appreciation for drama is paramount and should be demonstrated in a personal statement detailing their suitability for the role.

## Scholarship Day

Candidates attend an audition, which will include:

- Participation in a short class in which the candidates will be given the opportunity to demonstrate their technical ability and creative skills
- The performance of a prepared monologue, maximum 2 minutes in length
- A short interview conducted by the panel

Drama scholars are supported by highly qualified and experienced drama practitioners who will provide guidance, advice and support, enabling them to achieve their true potential.

# 11+ MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Music scholarships at St Gabriel's are awarded to foster and enhance the strong tradition of music within the whole school.

The Director of Music will work closely with music scholars to provide a range of opportunities to develop their individual talents. Music scholars are expected to contribute in as many aspects of the school's musical activities as the Director of Music can reasonably require.

#### The Award

Music scholarships are honorary and may be awarded to outstanding candidates. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of audition.

## Requirements for Entry

• Candidates are required to have reached a minimum standard of Associated Board (or equivalent) grading as follows:

First instrument: 11+ Grade IV

Second instrument: 11+ no minimum requirement but demonstrate strong potential

- Enjoyment and enthusiasm for making-music and potential for progress are strong considerations of the panel, as is commitment to music-making activities in school
- A written report from the candidate's music teacher for their principal instrument
- A reference from the candidate's current Head of Music
- Enjoyment, enthusiasm and appreciation for music is paramount and should be demonstrated in a personal statement detailing their suitability for the role.

### Scholarship Day

Candidates attend a 30 minute audition, which will include:

- The performance of two pieces on the candidate's first instrument (or voice)
- The performance of one piece on the candidate's second choice instrument (or voice). If a candidate plays more than two instruments she may perform a further piece on another instrument if she wishes
- Aural tests appropriate to the candidate's standard
- A short interview conducted by the panel

# 11+ SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Sport at St Gabriel's offers a balanced curriculum for physical education. The PE Department has a strong all year round fixture list aimed at inclusion with many year groups having fixtures for A-D teams. All pupils are encouraged to enjoy our main sports, hockey, netball, tennis, swimming and athletics.

More able pupils are challenged and mentored by our expert staff to achieve their sporting potential. We offer specialist netball academy sessions as well as a competitive gymnastics squad. Sport scholars take part in both the Challenge & Extension Programme and Sport Scholarship Programme, where they will be invited to attend additional training sessions, talks and trips.

#### The Award

Sports Scholarships are honorary and may be awarded to outstanding candidates. The scholarship is based on the sports levels and awards obtained by the candidate and a practical assessment.

## **Requirements for Entry**

- Candidates must produce evidence of their sporting achievements eg national awards, team membership, individual successes
- A written report from the candidate's present Head of PE or teacher responsible for their PE lessons

## **Scholarship Day**

Candidates' skills and fitness will be tested in a variety of sports/activities during the practical assessment. Leadership skills will also be observed and assessed.

Please contact the Admissions Manager or visit our website, www.stgabriels.co.uk, if you require any of the following:

St Gabriel's Prospectus
Registration Form
Open Morning Dates
School Visit
Appointment with the Principal
Further information regarding Entrance Examinations
Information on how to apply for a Montagu Award
Scholarship Application Form

