



YEAR 3 & 4 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION PACK

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Who is eligible?

All children who apply for a scholarship will be welcomed to an Assessment Day. Scholarships are open to girls and boys who will join Year 3 or 4 in September 2023. The expectation is that candidates will remain at St Edward's Prep until the end of Year 6.

How much is the scholarship worth?

Scholarships of between 5% and 25% of fees will be offered. The level of the scholarship offer will be dependent on the number of offers made. Please note, if a current pupil is already in receipt of a discount for any reason, the scholarship award will replace the discount and not be added to the overall fee remission. Additional discount could be given through the form of a bursary, which is means assessed.

What scholarships are available?

Scholarships are available for children showing academic, creative and sporting potential. The Headteacher's Scholarship may be awarded to a child demonstrating potential in a number of areas.

Can I apply for two different scholarships as my child has shown ability in two different areas?

Yes. Please indicate on the application form which scholarships you would like to be considered for.

What are we looking for in a scholarship candidate?

We are looking for enthusiastic children who display potential. Applicants should be able to demonstrate potential by having some or all of the following characteristics:

- above average academic ability;
- good levels of self-motivation and enthusiasm for learning;
- an outstanding interest or ability in one or more areas of the curriculum.

How are pupils selected?

Assessment will be through an informal group interview and other assessments as appropriate over the course of the day.

When will the scholarship be awarded?

The Headteacher will inform the candidate's parents a week after the child's assessment.

How does a candidate apply?

An application form can be found on the scholarships page of our website. If a scholarship offer is accepted, a completed registration form together with the registration fee of £50 and deposit of £500 is required to confirm the agreement.

Can we visit the school before applying?

Yes, absolutely. Please contact our Registrar, Mrs Kate McKenna, on 0118 957 4342 or kate.mckenna@stedwardsprep.com to arrange a tour.

How do I apply and what are the key dates?

Please complete the application form and return it by email to Mrs Kate McKenna: kate.mckenna@stedwardsprep.com

For external candidates, scholarship applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis from February half-term 2024 and there will be a number of potential assessment days on offer. Internal applicants will be assessed in May. The closing date for all applications will be Friday 10 May 2024.

**What happens if my child is not awarded a scholarship?**

Unfortunately, it is likely that not all children who apply will be awarded a scholarship. However, we want the assessment day to be a positive experience for all the children, and we will focus on ensuring that they enjoy their day and feel that they have achieved regardless of the outcome.

SCHOLARSHIP-SPECIFIC INFORMATION**GENERAL ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT**

All children attending the scholarship day will complete an assessment in English and Maths using the Atom Learning online platform.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Candidates for the Academic Scholarship will show natural academic ability and will be operating at a level well above average in English and Maths and another academic area of the curriculum.

In addition to a group interview and participation in lessons at St Edward's Prep, the academic assessment will include an assessment in Non-Verbal Reasoning. No particular preparation is necessary prior to the assessments, which are designed to simply provide a framework within which to assess ability.

CREATIVE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

Candidates for the Creative Arts Scholarship will show considerable natural ability, talent and proficiency in their creative work, whether artistic, musical or dramatic. References from current teachers and examples of work, competitions entered and exam results may accompany the candidate's application.

In addition to a group interview and participation in lessons at St Edward's Prep, the Creative Arts assessment will include the opportunity to produce a piece of artwork and/or perform a musical/drama piece of the candidate's own choice. Where appropriate, candidates are expected to bring and play their own instruments.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

Candidates for the Sports Scholarship will show considerable natural ability in at least one area of sports. We are looking for enthusiastic individuals who display talent and good sportsmanship. References from sports teachers or coaches may accompany the candidate's application, referring where appropriate to participation in teams, clubs and associations, and successes in competitions.

In addition to a group interview and participation in lessons at St Edward's Prep, the assessment will include participation in a range of sporting activities, training drills and an agility test.

HEADTEACHER'S SCHOLARSHIP

All candidates will be assessed for their suitability to receive the Headteacher's Scholarship, which may be awarded to a candidate with considerable natural all-round ability, high levels of enthusiasm and the potential to make a meaningful contribution to life at St Edward's Prep.

EXPECTED CONTRIBUTION OF SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

Successful candidates will justify their scholarship by maintaining consistently high standards of effort and acting as an example to others through their high level of motivation and positive contribution to all aspects of school life.

Scholars will be expected to represent St Edward's Prep in competitions and to act at all times as ambassadors for the school.

Scholarships may be removed at the absolute discretion of the Headteacher from scholars who do not meet the expected level of contribution and commitment to the school.