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TOWER SCHOOL

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# Year 7 Scholarship Programme 2021

We educate. We inspire. We nurture talent. Leading independent education in Walsall for boys and girls aged 3-16 since 1952

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*...pupils achieving well above national expectations...There is a focus on high academic expectations....*

*SIS Inspection Report 2016*

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# Introduction

**Scholars at Hydesville embody the values and ethos of the School. They are individual pupils who excel academically or in their chosen field of Art, Music, Performing Arts or Sport. More importantly, they are pupils eager to grasp the many opportunities available, both in and out of the classroom, and who recognise that being a scholar carries responsibilities of leadership and role-modelling. Our expectations for scholars are high and we wish them not only to develop individually, but also to act as examples for their peers and ambassadors for the School.**

The award of a scholarship offers a significant discount against tuition fees. The amount offered is at the discretion of the Headmaster and depends on the level of achievement, all-round commitment and leadership in the pupil's field of excellence. Scholarships are awarded for pupils joining Year 7 in September 2021.

## Expectations of a Scholar

**The level of commitment is high. All scholars will be expected to participate enthusiastically in the life of the School, be a credit to Hydesville and set a good example to other pupils. They will be expected to contribute outstandingly in their scholarship discipline.**

All awards will be monitored for appropriate performance and effort. We expect parents to support and encourage their child to work hard and achieve their potential in their chosen areas. All scholars, regardless of their scholarship discipline, will be expected to maintain high academic standards.

# The Process

**All external applicants – whether to be considered for an Academic Scholarship or Non-Academic Scholarship - must have completed their registration\* by 12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021.**

Applicants for Non-Academic Scholarships must also submit a separate subject-specific application form. These are available to download from our website or from Christine Phillips, Admissions Manager on 01922 624374 (email [christine.phillips@hydesville.com](mailto:christine.phillips@hydesville.com)).

We will review all applications and invite shortlisted applicants to attend a Scholarship Assessment Day.

Academic Scholarships are by invitation only. Those pupils who display outstanding academic levels - as evidenced in the School report, reference and interview - will be invited to attend the first Scholarship Assessment Day.

The first Scholarship Assessment Day involves an exam or performance opportunity for the Academic and Non-Academic Scholarships respectively. The second Scholarship Assessment Day involves an interview and relevant tasks for the pupil to excel at.

When all Scholarship Assessment Days are complete, the Headmaster and relevant staff meet to discuss all applications and assessment outcomes. We will notify all applicants of the outcome during the first week in April.

*\* we must be in receipt of the school report, registration fee (of £50) and registration form.*

*Please see our website: [www.hydesville.com/admissions-fees/admissions-process/](http://www.hydesville.com/admissions-fees/admissions-process/) for more information on the admissions process.*

## Internal Applicants...

### **Non-Academic Scholarships:**

Hydesville pupils are not required to complete the registration process but should submit the appropriate Non-Academic Scholarship application form and supporting evidence.

### **Academic Scholarships:**

Selected pupils will be identified for their academic ability and will be invited to attend the first Scholarship Assessment Day. Those not invited are welcome to sit a standard academic assessment paper. If achieving sufficiently high scores in this assessment, they will then be invited to attend the first Scholarship Assessment Day.



# Scholarship Examination and Assessment Dates

## **First Academic Scholarship Assessment Day: Thursday 18th March 2021**

During this day, pupils will sit a written paper in the subject in which they are applying.

If scoring sufficiently highly in this paper, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and relevant subject lead on Tuesday 23rd March 2021.

## **First Non-Academic Scholarship Assessment Day: Friday 19th March 2021**

During this day, pupils will undertake an assessment in their relevant field (see details on Non-Academic Scholarship pages for further details).

If performing sufficiently highly during the first Non-Academic Scholarship Assessment Day, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and relevant subject lead on Tuesday 23rd March 2021.

## Acceptance of an Award

The parents of successful applicants are sent a copy of the Terms and Conditions. They are required to sign the Acceptance Form, a copy of the Terms and Conditions, and to pay a deposit by the deadline for acceptance of place, by **Wednesday 21st April 2021**. In the event of this deposit not being received, the offer of an Award will be withdrawn. The amount of the deposit is refunded to parents when a pupil leaves the school.



# HYDESVILLE TOWER SCHOLARS

## 2014-15

Henna Chhohan  
Joshua Delmas  
Simran Nagra  
Saldev Patel  
Jenny Phung  
Alexander Poulton  
Tyler Reynolds  
Eve Sheldon

## 2017-18

Ishu Allen

## 2018-19

Kashif Aslam  
Nihal Bains

## 2019-20

Olivia Bibb  
Ayesha Khan  
Harrison Reeves  
Amrit Sohal  
Trion Taylor-Carlton

## 2015-16

Akash Akram  
Sameer Ali  
Itai Allen  
Jaina Bowry-Soni  
Landon Evans  
Peter Gyeabour  
Rohan Lallie  
Kyan Mall

## 2016-17

Simran Basra  
Govind Bhogal  
Devina Kaur  
Kai Lindsay-Duffy  
Iqra Purowal  
Ananya Sanghera  
Eve Sheldon





# Academic Scholarships (Invitation only)

**We are proud of our tradition of academic excellence and strive to give all our pupils a strong basis of academic rigour. Academic scholars are chosen on their ability and because we believe their work ethic, intellectual curiosity and level of attainment are all excellent. An inquiring mind and a desire to learn are essential.**

In our Senior School we offer Academic Scholarships every year to new starters in Year 7. Academic Scholarships are by invitation only. External applicants wishing to be considered for an Academic Scholarship must have completed their registration by **12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021**.

Those pupils who display outstanding academic levels - as evidenced in the School report, reference and interview - will be invited to attend the first Scholarship Assessment Day on **Thursday 18th March 2021**. If successful, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and relevant subject lead on **Tuesday 23rd March 2021**.

Successful recipients of the Academic Scholarship are expected to display exceptional academic ability. These scholarships will be offered at the sole discretion of the Headmaster.

Current Year 6 pupils at Hydesville Tower School will be identified for their academic ability and will be invited to attend a Scholarship Assessment Day. Those not invited are welcome to sit a standard academic assessment paper. If achieving sufficiently high scores in this assessment, they will then be invited to attend the first Scholarship Assessment Day.

# Art Scholarship





**Creativity flourishes within our Art Department. Inspirational teaching fires the enthusiasm of our pupils and there are wide opportunities to experiment, develop and explore a host of disciplines such as drawing, painting, sculpture, textiles and ceramics. Our Art pupils have won Midlands and National awards in the last few years.**

Individuals wishing to be considered for an Art Scholarship should be able to show not only a good standard of artistic ability but also a genuine interest in the subject which is reflected in their out-of-school activities. Scholarships will be awarded to pupils with clear ability, enquiring minds, an enthusiasm for the subject and awareness of other artists' work.

## Assessment for an Art Scholarship

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Applicants will be required to submit a portfolio of work from home and school which demonstrates their artistic abilities. The portfolio should show evidence of a high level of personal creativity, an interest and passion for art and design and be able to demonstrate a range of media that they have explored. **The portfolio may include:**

1. Drawings from observation and/or imagination.
2. Photographs of three-dimensional projects they may have worked on.
3. Studies which show evidence of the use of a variety of art materials.
4. Projects that show how the candidates have explored and developed their ideas on a theme from initial observations to a final personal realisation.
5. Evidence that visiting museums and galleries has influenced their work/ideas.

In addition, applicants must provide a brief written statement about their Art work, artistic interests and activities and a reference from their current Art teacher supporting their application.

### The Process

The art portfolio and application form must be submitted by **12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021**.

Successful applicants will be invited to attend the first **Non-Academic Assessment Day on Friday 19th March 2021**. During this day, pupils will be asked to complete a short drawing assignment.

If performing sufficiently highly during the first Non-Academic Assessment Day, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and the Head of Art on **Tuesday 23rd March 2021**.

### What is expected of an Art Scholar at Hydesville?

- Scholars should show significant commitment to their Art work and contribute creatively to the School's artistic life.
- They are expected to take part in Art-related extra-curricular sessions.
- They should submit work for the ISA Art competition on an annual basis.
- They will be expected to produce artwork for exhibitions within school and the wider community.
- Art Scholars should be willing to demonstrate their skills/guide other pupils as required.
- Art Scholars will be anticipated to take GCSE Art as an option in Year 10.





**The standard of music in our Senior School is consistently impressive and we believe in fostering the love of music and performing in all pupils. Chances to perform are frequent with a host of concerts and musical events scheduled each year. There are opportunities ranging from the Boys' Vocal Group, Girls' Choir, and percussive and instrumental ensembles.**

Music Scholarships are offered to those pupils who show ability, commitment and potential in their chosen instrument at audition. In addition to grade achievement, a fundamental passion and musical ambition will be looked for, along with a willingness to participate and contribute to the rich musical life of the School.

## Assessment for a Music Scholarship

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Applicants are selected by means of a musical audition and interview. The audition and interview for a Music Scholarship are intended to discover musical ability, potential and willingness to commit to the musical life of the school. Applicants should be able to perform accurately to a high standard on their main instrument or voice and demonstrate confidence and enthusiasm. Qualifications in ABRSM/Trinity Guildhall/Rock School (or equivalent) and Theory of Music examinations are not a necessity but would be preferred. As a guide, a Grade 3 standard or better would be indicative of the pupil's ability and potential. Prospective candidates should already be involved in music-making, representing their school through an orchestra, band or choir or participating in other musical ensembles as part of a local or community setting.

### The Process

The Music Scholarship application form must be submitted by **12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021**. Applicants must also provide a reference from their current Music teacher supporting their application.

Successful applicants will be invited to attend the first **Non-Academic Assessment Day on Friday 19th March 2021**. During this day, pupils will be asked to:

- Perform two prepared pieces contrasted in character. If the applicant is able to play more than one instrument/voice and wishes to do so we would encourage them to perform each piece using a different instrument/voice.
- Respond to aural tests led by the Head of Music, including: clap back a short rhythm, sing back a tune and identify expressive characteristics such as changes in dynamics, tempo and articulation.

If performing sufficiently highly during the first Non-Academic Assessment Day, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and the Head of Music on **Tuesday 23rd March 2021**.

### What is expected of a Music Scholar at Hydesville?

- Participate fully in the musical life of the School.
- Take a leading role in choirs, orchestras and ensembles according to their interest and expertise.
- Attend and perform at concerts held by the School.

# Performing Arts

## Scholarship





**An exciting and broad range of drama productions are regularly performed within the Senior School, offering many opportunities for our pupils to perform, design and work backstage in a theatre environment.**

Performing Arts Scholarships are open to those who have particular talents in Drama or Dance. Applicants are able to choose either one or both of the disciplines to be assessed in and are expected to excel in those chosen areas. Individuals wishing to be considered for this award will be expected to perform regularly in productions and workshops. They should be enthusiastic, engaged and willing to experiment with new ideas, methods and genres. Scholars must be willing to get involved in the many facets of the Drama Department's work and activities, including technical elements of stage production.

## Assessment for a Performing Arts Scholarship

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Applicants applying for a Performing Arts Scholarship must demonstrate significant ability as a stage performer combined with commitment to working as part of a creative team. All Performing Arts scholars are expected to be involved in a Drama/Dance club or society separate to their current school provision, in addition to having taken part in school productions. Applicants will be required to submit a completed application form, provide a record of their achievements at a high level and provide a reference from their current Drama/Dance teacher supporting their application. Any additional information including evidence of work towards RAD, ISTD, IDTA, LAMDA exams should also be submitted.

### The Process

The Performing Arts Scholarship application form must be submitted by **12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021**. Applicants must also provide a reference from their current Drama/Dance teacher supporting their application.

Successful applicants will be invited to attend the first Non-Academic Assessment Day on **Friday 19th March 2021**. During this day, pupils will take part in a short practical session which is designed to assess the dramatic skills of the candidates. They will also be asked to perform a short monologue, which they should have memorised for the occasion. (Please note that the piece to be performed should be a monologue from a published play and not a poem or any other written piece).

Applicants should be able to demonstrate an understanding of their character and of the whole play. They should also be prepared to accept and implement directorial suggestions.

For the Dance audition, applicants will be asked to prepare a short dance in the style of their choice, during which their technical capability will be assessed.

Applicants are encouraged to demonstrate their singing ability as part of the audition if appropriate.

If performing sufficiently highly during the first Non-Academic Assessment Day, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and the Head of Drama on **Tuesday 23rd March 2021**.

### What is expected of a Performing Arts Scholar at Hydesville?

- Involvement in all productions/concerts at the School.
- Be fully committed to attending all rehearsal and clubs relating to Performing Arts.
- Be an excellent ambassador for their chosen disciplines.
- Play a leading part in House events.

# Sport Scholarship





### **Sport has a high profile within the School and we are proud of our pupils' achievements.**

Each year we award Sports Scholarships to those individuals who demonstrate aspirations to progress and achieve high levels of success within their chosen sport. In general, potential to reach, or already be playing at club level is expected, and regional representation would be within the capabilities of the successful scholar. Successful applicants will be expected to make a contribution to our main school sports.

- For boys these include football, athletics and cricket.
- For girls these include netball, athletics and rounders.

Applicants are expected to show exceptional promise in at least one sport and have an established record of achievement at their current school and at club/regional level.

## **Assessment for a Sports Scholarship**

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Applicants will be required to submit a completed application form, provide a record of their sporting achievements at a high level and provide a reference from their current PE teacher or coach supporting their application. Any additional information and references from external clubs should also be submitted.

### **The Process**

The Sport Scholarship application form must be submitted by **12 noon on Friday 5th March 2021**. Applicants must also provide a reference from their current PE teacher or coach supporting their application.

Successful applicants will be invited to attend the first Non-Academic Assessment Day on **Friday 19th March 2021**. During this day, pupils will be assessed in a series of physical activities including agility, stamina, fitness, teamwork, attitude to training and specific sport ability.

If performing sufficiently highly during the first Non-Academic Assessment Day, the candidate will be invited to undertake an interview with the Headmaster, Deputy Head and the Head of Sport on **Tuesday 23rd March 2021**.

### **What is expected of a Sports Scholar at Hydesville?**

- Scholars are expected to be fully committed to the School's sports teams throughout the academic year.
- They will also be required to respond well to guidance, work well in a team and demonstrate good leadership skills, whether by example or captaincy.
- Participate in House Sport events.
- Make a strong commitment to the School by participating in, supporting, assisting and representing the School in a range of sports and extra-curricular clubs and activities.
- Act as a good role model for other pupils to follow, showing that they could act as a link between the staff and pupils.
- Sports Scholars will be anticipated to take GCSE PE as an option in Year 10.
- Have aspirations to work towards the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and be keen to improve their leadership skills.



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