



Packwood Haugh Scholarship Booklet

Packwood offers Academic Scholarships to internal and external children entering Year 3 and Academic, Sport, Art, Music and All-Rounder Scholarships to external pupils entering Years 6 and 7.

Scholarships are awarded not only based upon current ability but also upon potential.

The maximum value of any award is 25%.

Academic Scholarship

The assessment will last for around three hours and will include tests in the following:

- Verbal Reasoning
- Maths
- General Knowledge
- English Comprehension
- Reading

In addition to these each candidate will have a short interview with the Headmaster.

All stationery is provided and candidates should arrive in comfortable clothes.

It is expected that Academic Scholars will be in the top sets in the core subjects and will go on to take the Scholarship entrance exams for the senior school of their choice.

Art Scholarship

Candidates must have a genuine talent in art and be enthusiastic about artists and their work. They must have good drawing and observational skills and excellent hand-eye coordination. An active imagination and a willingness to take on creative aspects of art are also essential.

The requirements for the assessment are:

- A portfolio of work done in at least the last two years including sketchbooks and a variety of work and different mediums.
- A short interview with the Head of Art in which knowledge and awareness of galleries/artists will be looked for.
- An hour drawing test during which practical skills will be appraised, such as ability to observe and record from life in freehand.
- A genuine enthusiasm about some well-known artists and their work.

Successful candidates will be required to attend extra art sessions at Packwood, to take part in trips to art galleries on Sundays during term time and to produce self-generated work. Where applicable, successful candidates will be expected to take an Art Scholarship to their senior school.

Music Scholarship

Candidates for the Music Scholarship should offer two instruments, one of which should be at Grade 3 level or above.

The assessment will last between 20 and 30 minutes and will include the following:

- Performance of one piece on each instrument. The Head of Music is happy to act as accompanist if necessary.
- Sight reading test on first instrument.
- Aural tests at around Grade 3 level.
- Interview which will include questions about musical interests, aspirations and any ensembles in which the candidate currently takes part.

Successful candidates will be asked to play in either the Packwood Chamber Orchestra or Big Band, depending on their instrument, as well as one or more, smaller, instrument-specific ensemble (e.g. Flute Ensemble, Brass Ensemble). Candidates may also be invited to join the selective Boys' or Girls' Choirs.

It is expected that Music Scholars will attend instrumental lessons weekly, preferably at school, and that they will practise regularly and effectively. They will be expected to show commitment towards all aspects of their music-making and will be helped and encouraged to work towards a Music Scholarship at their chosen senior school.

Sports Scholarship

Candidates for the Sports Scholarship should offer at least two sports to a high level.

The assessment normally lasts two hours and candidates should arrive in their tracksuits and also bring with them appropriate sportswear and equipment.

The Scholarship assessment will include the following:

- Physical Fitness Test
- Assessment of ability and potential in Core Sport
- Assessment of ability and potential in Non-core Sport
- Interview with the Director of Sport

The Director of Sport may also arrange an extra date when he can observe the candidate playing for his/her team.

Successful candidates will be expected to play in the school's first teams and display a full commitment to sport at Packwood. Successful candidates will be expected to take a Sports Scholarship to a senior school of their choice.

All-Rounder Scholarship

Candidates for the All-Rounder Scholarship will be assessed on their academic ability and potential, and also in two of the following areas:

- Sport
- Music
- Art
- Drama

Assessment will follow the same format as for the subject-specific Scholarships and will include a short interview with the Headmaster and the relevant Heads of Department.

Successful candidates will be expected to display full commitment to their academic studies and to their specialist subjects. Successful candidates will be expected to aim towards a Scholarship to a senior school of their choice.