

16+ Scholarships

Ardingly College



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Introduction to 16+ Scholarships

Ardingly provides a first class academic environment in which students follow either A Level or IB Diploma courses and win places at the top universities in the UK and overseas. The College also excels in sports, music and drama, and provides Sixth Form students with a high level of coaching and the platform to compete or perform at school, regional and national level.

Ardingly offers Scholarships to exceptionally able and motivated students to pursue their Sixth Form studies at the College. All Scholarship awards are gained on merit and are available to external and internal applicants.

Scholarships are offered in the following categories:

- General Academic Awards
- Awards for Science, Humanities and Languages
- Sports
- Music
- Drama
- Art
- Design Technology

All candidates must be registered with the College before sitting scholarship assessments. Candidates may apply for more than one Scholarship and may be awarded one or more awards up to a maximum combined value of 30% remission of fees. Bursaries are offered to successful scholarship applicants, at the discretion of the Headmaster and based on an assessment of financial need.

This booklet provides information on the assessment process for each scholarship, the value of awards offered and the expectations of scholars at Ardingly.

If you are looking for an exciting Sixth Form opportunity to develop your talents and open doors for your future, I look forward to meeting you at interview.



Ben Figgis,
Headmaster

Financial Matters

The financial value of Sixth Form Scholarship awards ranges from 5% to 30% remission on fees, depending on the nature of the award. The value of all Awards is at the discretion of the Headmaster.

The financial values of a Scholarship may be supplemented by the award of a Bursary in cases of proven financial need. All bursaries are awarded by the Headmaster taking into consideration an assessment of parents' financial means. Parents are encouraged to discuss bursary requirements in the early stages of application, and formal application must be made at the same time as the Scholarship application. Parents will be required to sign a declaration annually stating that their financially status has not changed.

The parents of an award holder may, in fact, not be in need of financial assistance and if so may wish to waive their right to fee reduction. In such cases, the academic status of their son or daughter will not be affected, and the fee reduction may be passed on to another candidate. Parents who waive their right to fee reduction may subsequently regain it should their circumstances change.

Scholarship expectations

Being a Scholar carries with it expectations, which are explained further in each section of this booklet. There are also general expectations of Scholars that relate to their pursuit of excellence in the field for which they hold their Award, as well as their work ethic and contribution to the school community. Awards are reviewed annually to ensure that these expectations are being met.

Award holders are expected to represent the College as appropriate to the Award, and failure to fulfill expectations will endanger the continuation of the Award.

Entry and Scholarship assessment dates

Sixth Form scholarships take place in November 2017. All candidates must be registered and passed our entrance assessments in order to be considered for a scholarship.

Closing date for applications	Friday 13th October 2017
Entrance assessments	Saturday 11th November 2017
Art, Drama and Design Technology Scholarship	Tuesday 14th November 2017
Academic Scholarship assessments	Wednesday 15th November 2017
Music Scholarship assessments	Wednesday 15th November 2017
Sport Scholarship assessment	Thursday 16th November 2017

Entry requirements for the Sixth Form

To enter for the Scholarship assessments, students first need to register, apply for a place and satisfy the entry requirements. The entry assessment is a Cognitive Assessment in Maths, English and Verbal Reasoning. The College uses the information of the entrance assessments, along with school references and reports as the basis on which to offer places to applicants.

The entrance assessment is the first stage of the Scholarship assessment. Candidates who perform particularly well in the entrance assessments will be invited back to sit the Academic Scholarship assessments.

Following the Entry assessments, we will contact candidates to confirm invitation to sit for the Scholarship assessments.

Internal candidates for Sixth Form Scholarship

Students already studying at Ardingly who may apply for a Sixth Form scholarship. Assessment will be the same as for external candidates, except that internal candidates will not be required to sit the entry assessments.

Academic Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 50% fee remission

Ardingly offers two types of academic scholarship to Sixth Form candidates:

1. General academic scholarship
2. Specialist scholarships in Science, Languages and the Humanities.

Candidates with special interests in the Science, Humanities or Language subjects are encouraged to enter for a specialist scholarship. Candidates with an interest and ability across these subject areas are encouraged to enter for the General Academic Scholarship. **Candidates for academic scholarships must chose to enter either for the General Academic Scholarship or one of the specialist subject scholarships.**

There is no discrimination between the different types of scholarship in relation to the financial value or prestige of the awards.

Award-holders in the specialist scholarships are expected to study at least two subjects from that subject area as a condition of their Award. So, for example, a Science scholar might study 4 A Levels that include Physics and Chemistry or study the IB Diploma containing two science subjects, at least one at Higher Level.

General Academic Scholarship assessment

Candidates opt to sit two papers from the following list of subjects. The chosen subjects should reflect the subjects the candidate intends to take for Sixth Form studies. Each paper is 60 minutes in duration.

	Mathematics, English
Sciences:	Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Psychology
Humanities:	Business, Economics, Divinity & Philosophy, Geography, History, Politics
Languages:	French, Spanish, German, Latin.

Candidates will also have an interview.

Candidates who have completed a project or piece of original academic work are encouraged to submit this in advance of the Scholarship assessment day.

Science Scholarship assessment

Candidates wishing to apply for the Science Scholarship must be committed to studying Mathematics and at least two Science subjects in either the A Level or IB Diploma programmes. They will be expected to take a leading role in extracurricular Science activities of the College, and intend to study a science-related subject at university.

Candidates select **two of the Science subjects** for assessment.

Candidates will also have an interview.

Humanities Scholarship assessment

Candidates wishing to apply for the Humanities Scholarship must be committed to studying at least two humanities subjects in either the A Level or IB Diploma programmes. They will be expected to take a leading role in academic enrichment activities relating to the Humanities.

Candidates select **two of the humanities subjects** for assessment. Papers will test candidates' ability to think and articulate a point of view and to draw on their subject knowledge in doing so. Questions will not be asked that require candidates to have studied specific content, but the ability to apply their existing knowledge to open-ended questions relating to their chosen subjects will be the focus of the assessment.

Candidates will also have an interview.

Languages Scholarship assessment

Candidates wishing to apply for the Languages Scholarship must be committed to studying at least two languages in either the A Level or IB Diploma programmes. This may include Latin and the Modern Foreign Languages that are offered at the College: French, Spanish, German, Italian and Mandarin. They will be expected to take a leading role in academic enrichment activities relating to languages.

Candidates select two of the language subjects for assessment. There will be a Reading and Writing paper and possibly an oral. Candidates will also have an interview.

Guidance on suitability for academic scholarship

For all candidates, the College will require a confidential report from the candidate's current school to support their application, which should include a statement of predicted grades at GCSE.

Entry to sit the 16+ Academic Scholarships is by invitation. To be invited to sit the academic scholarships, candidates should have GCSE A* grade predictions (or equivalent 8 or 9 in the new GCSEs) in at least five subjects. In addition they will be expected to demonstrate a high level of intellectual interest and potential in the subjects they intend to study in the Sixth Form.

Past papers are not made available to candidates for any of the academic scholarship papers.

**For further information please contact the Head of Sixth Form, Georgina Dore.
Georgina.Dore@ardingly.com**

Sports Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 20% fee remission

The College provides excellent opportunities for boys and girls of sporting ability to compete at regional and national school level. A balanced provision of sports coaching and support is made for boys and girls, and both genders are given equal consideration in the scholarship assessments.

Sports scholarship assessments

Candidates for 16+ Sports scholarships should be of county or national level in at least **two of the sports listed below**. Upon application candidates will be required to provide references from their current and/or previous school and from club or representative coaches as appropriate. Candidates are also encouraged to make contact with the Sports department at Ardingly to help us build a good picture of their abilities.

Major Sports

Boys: Football, Hockey, Cricket, Tennis

Girls: Football, Hockey, Netball, Tennis

Other sports may be considered as part of the candidates' overall sporting contribution to the College, including amongst others Rowing, Fencing, Sailing, Swimming and Girls' Football. However, the above major sports are given priority. Assessment will vary according to the candidates' sports, but will include training specific to the candidate's lead sport to assess core skills and potential. The candidate's Athletic ability will be assessed by our Strength and Conditioning Coach using a battery of tests that encourage agility, speed, co-ordination, power, balance, stamina.

Candidates will be invited to attend Ardingly College for a Sports assessment and interview with the Director of Sport. This will take place during the normal school day, a date and time will be arranged through the Registry once a Scholarship application has been received.

Expectations of sports scholars and exhibitioners

Sports scholars are expected to make an active and high quality contribution to the sporting life of the College both in the development of their talents and their attitude and behaviour as leading sportsmen and women. Sports scholars are expected to represent the College in school fixtures for which they have been selected. The Director of Sport meets with Sports Scholars regularly to support their development and ensure that the above expectations are being met.

**For further information please contact the Director of Sport, Mr Ross Millard.
ross.millard@ardingly.com**

Music Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 20% fee remission, plus free tuition in up to two instruments with the College's instrumental teachers.

The College enjoys a fine choral tradition, as well as an excellent symphony orchestra, various chamber ensembles, and a jazz band. A stimulating programme of concerts enables our musicians to perform at school and in cathedrals and concert venues outside school. A professional concert series, Music@Ardingly, is well established and attracts leading performers.

Music scholarship assessments

As a guideline, candidates suitable for consideration for a 16+ music scholarship should be of Grade 6 – 8 standard on at least two instruments of which one could be choral. Pre-auditions with the Director of Music are strongly recommended and can be arranged in the year preceding entry.

Candidates for music scholarship are expected to perform two contrasting pieces on their principal instrument (including singing as appropriate) and a piece on their subsidiary instrument if one is offered. In addition, there are tests of sightreading, scales/arpeggios, and an aural. Candidates will also have an interview with the Director of Music.

Differences between music scholarships and exhibitions

The financial value of music awards may take one of two forms. Scholarships carry a percentage remission on fees, although costs of music lessons will be charged. Exhibitions do not carry a remission on fees, but do benefit from free lessons in up to two instruments, including voice. Instrumental lessons will be within the College unless by agreement with the Director of Music.

Expectations of music scholars and exhibitioners

Music scholars are expected to play a leading role in the College's musical life and set an example by their standards of musicianship and performances in concerts and grade examinations. In doing so, music scholars are expected to play in instrumental ensembles and sing in the Chapel Choir and/or the Chamber Choir (Schola Cantorum). The Director of Music meets with Music Scholars regularly to support their development and ensure that the above expectations are being met.

**For further information please contact the Director of Music, Mr Richard Stafford.
richard.stafford@ardingly.com**

Drama Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 20% fee remission

Drama has a strong profile at Ardingly, both as an academic subject and in the quality of performance and productions. The College's performance company, The Pelican Briefs, have staged original shows at the Edinburgh Fringe for several years.

Drama Scholarship assessment

As a guideline, candidates suitable for consideration for a 16+ Drama scholarship should be able to show a high level of interest and commitment to performance arts, for example taking GCSE Drama, LAMDA awards and/or participating in productions in school or with external companies.

Candidates for 16+ Drama scholarships will take part in an improvisation workshop, perform a prepared speech of their choice and work on some unprepared material. Candidates will also have an interview with the Director of Drama.

Expectations of Drama Scholars

Drama scholars are expected to make an active and high quality contribution to Drama productions, either as performers and/or backstage. Opportunities to direct or produce pupil-led productions should also be taken.

It is expected but not essential that candidates have studied Drama at GCSE, although it will be expected that Drama Scholars study Drama as an academic subject as part of the A Level or IB Diploma programme. LAMDA lessons are optional and the cost of LAMDA lessons are not included as part of a Drama scholarship. The Director of Drama meets with Drama Scholars regularly to support their development and ensure that the above expectations are being met.

**For further information please contact the Director of Drama, Mrs Bronwen Carr-Bates.
bronwen.carr-bates@ardingly.com**

Art Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 20% fee remission

The artistic life of the College is vibrant and creative, incorporating painting, drawing, print-making and textiles as well as sculpture and pottery. Students regularly graduate to Art colleges such as Central St Martins, Goldsmiths, the London College of Fashion and the Istituto Marangoni.

Art Scholarship assessments

Candidates for 16+ Art scholarships are invited to bring their portfolio to demonstrate their artistic interests and abilities. It is not expected that the work should be highly polished or finished; what is looked for is the power of observation, imagination and the ability to control and appreciate materials. Some design sense should be evident, as should originality.

A drawing activity of approximately 2-3 hours will be undertaken for the majority of the session. The group will be given a combination of observational and imaginative starting points, and will be asked to select their own media for the task. All creative and technical skills will be assessed, alongside confidence and visual understanding. Strong first hand drawing ability is at the root of this part of the scholarship assessment.

Whilst the drawing activity is underway each candidate will be given a 10-20 minute interview with the Head of Art, Claire Grover. A full portfolio review will be undertaken, with the student expected to speak fluently about their work, experience and knowledge of art. The interviews should be natural and unrehearsed, allowing personality and a genuine love of the subject to come through.

Expectations of Art Scholars

It is expected but not essential that candidates have studied Art at GCSE, although it will be expected that Art scholars study Art as one of their subjects at A Level or the IB Diploma, and to make a substantial commitment to developing themselves as artists during their Sixth Form. The Head of Art meets with Art Scholars regularly to support their development and ensure that the above expectations are being met.

**For further information please contact the Head of Art, Mrs Claire Grover.
claire.grover@ardingly.com**

Design Technology Scholarships

Awards of between 5 – 20% fee remission

Design Technology is a popular subject at Ardingly and often chosen to complement other subjects that lead to Engineering, Architecture and Design being studied at further education. The course is dynamic and creative, incorporating a wide variety of practical manufacturing skills and technologies including CAD (Computer Aided Design) alongside CAM (Computer Aided Manufacture). Students have gone on to graduate from Brunel University and other top engineering universities amongst others.

DT scholarship assessments

Candidates for 16+ DT scholarships are invited to bring a portfolio of their design work along with photographs of their practical abilities. It is not expected that the work should be highly polished or even finished. The design and practical work should aim to demonstrate their design and practical interests and abilities, and their ability to solve realistic everyday design problems.

A review of the portfolio will be undertaken in an interview with the Head of the Design Technology Department. The student is expected to speak passionately about their work and experience in the subject. Interviews should not be rehearsed but rather be an opportunity for the student to talk about the process of their work.

The assessment will also comprise of a 30 minute focussed design task, followed by an informal discussion with the Head of Design Technology. All creative, technical and practical skills will be assessed throughout the design task exercise and discussion. Candidates will also have an interview with the Head of DT.

Expectations of DT scholars

It is expected but not essential that candidates have studied DT at GCSE, although it will be expected that DT scholars study DT as one of their subjects at A Level or within the IB Diploma, and to make a substantial commitment to developing themselves during their Sixth Form years. The Head of DT meets with DT Scholars regularly to support their development and ensure that the above expectations are being met.

**For further information please contact the Head of Design Technology, Mrs Erica Turnley.
erica.turnley@ardingly.com**

Application Forms

Entrance Awards and Scholarships at 16+



Please complete this form and return to The Registrar, Ardingly College, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH17 6SQ, together with any supporting documents and a testimonial from the applicants Head Teacher.

Full Names of Applicant: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Initials: _____ Title: _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Telephone Number(s) _____

Name of present school: _____

Address of present school: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Telephone Number(s) _____

Name of present Head Teacher: _____

Date of entry to present school: _____

The applicant wishes to be considered for (please tick)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Academic Scholarship* | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Scholarship* | <input type="checkbox"/> Languages Scholarship* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Humanities Scholarship* | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Scholarship | <input type="checkbox"/> Music Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Exhibition | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Scholarship | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design and Technology Scholarship | | |

*If the applicant requires extra time in written papers kindly supply a copy of the applicant's Educational Psychologist's report with this application.

Signature parent/guardian: _____ Date: _____

Entrance Awards and Scholarships at 16+

General Academic Scholarship

Please select two papers from the following list of subjects for assessment. The chosen subjects should reflect the subjects the candidate intends to take for Sixth Form studies.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> English | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology | <input type="checkbox"/> Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Divinity & Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Geography | <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Politics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> French | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish | <input type="checkbox"/> German | <input type="checkbox"/> Italian | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin |

Candidates selecting modern languages can expect oral and listening comprehension tests as part of their papers and, for those opting for science subjects, there may be practical tests based on GCSE ideas.

Science Scholarship

Please select two papers from the following list of subjects for assessment. The chosen subjects should reflect the subjects the candidate intends to take for Sixth Form studies.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology |
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Humanities Scholarship

Please select two papers from the following list of subjects for assessment. The chosen subjects should reflect the subjects the candidate intends to take for Sixth Form studies.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Divinity & Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Geography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Politics | | |

Languages Scholarship

Please select two papers from the following list of subjects for assessment. The chosen subjects should reflect the subjects the candidate intends to take for Sixth Form studies.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> French | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish | <input type="checkbox"/> German |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Italian | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin |

Music and Music Exhibition Scholarships

Which two instruments are to be offered (including choral) and what standard has been achieved in each?

Instrument 1. _____ Level _____

Instrument 2. _____ Level _____

Details of examinations sat / competitions entered _____

Names of pieces for the audition (by instrument) _____

Entrance Awards and Scholarships at 16+

Sports Scholarship

Please indicate which Sports from the list below will be offered for assessment.

Boys:

Football Hockey Cricket Tennis

Girls:

Football Hockey Netball Tennis

Applicants must also fill in the **SPORTS PERSONAL STATEMENT** page 13.

Important Dates

Saturday, 16 September 2017

Sixth Form Open Morning

Friday, 13 October 2017

Closing date for all awards

Saturday, 11 November 2017

Entrance Assessments

Friday, 17 November 2017

Sixth Form Options Evening

We reserve the right to change these dates



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