## Abbot's Hill 💌

# **SCHOLARSHIPS**

# **IMPORTANT DATES**



**10 December 2024** Deadline for application



**7 - 10 January 2025** Scholarship Assessments



Mid February 2025 Scholarship offers made



End of February 2025

Cefebrate with us!

# **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### Year 7 (11+) entry

Academic (English)

Academic (STEM)

Art and Design

Drama

Music

Sport

The Baird Scholarship

Abbot's Hill School has a long tradition since its founding in 1912, of making scholarship awards in recognition of outstanding ability. In addition to either academic excellence or talent in a specific area, scholars exhibit an excellent attitude towards learning and strive to achieve outstanding work. They uphold the school values and are fully committed to school life.

The Abbot's Hill Scholarship Programme offers many opportunities for scholars to hone their talents, extend their learning and develop their skills.

The retention of scholarships is reviewed annually to ensure that students are meeting all expectations.

# ACADEMIC ENGLISH



Candidates are selected to be assessed for the Academic English Scholarship based on the results of the ISEB pre-test.

The assessment is designed to determine if the applicant has a natural flair for English and a passion for literature, plays and poetry through a series of activities that are both open-ended and inspiring.

A reference will be taken from the current school of candidates who are not at Abbot's Hill Prep.

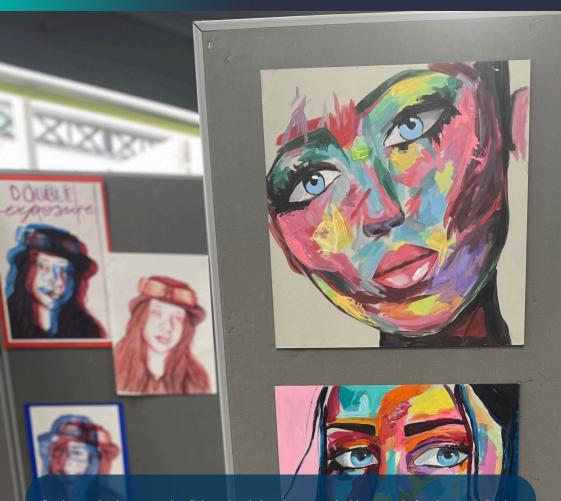
#### ACADEMIC STEM

Candidates are selected to be assessed for the Academic STEM Scholarship based on the results of the ISEB pre-test.

The assessment is designed to determine if the applicant has natural aptitude in problem solving and critical thinking, indicating strong potential in science, mathematics, computer science and coding through a series of activities that are both challenging and exciting.

A reference will be taken from the current school of candidates who are not at Abbot's Hill Prep.

### **ART & DESIGN**



Students who have creative flair and artistic talent may decide to apply for the Art & Design scholarship. They will be expected to submit a portfolio of five pieces of work (in any medium) which they will discuss with the Head of Art and Design in an interview.

In addition to the interview, which not only explores the candidate's chosen pieces in their portfolio, but also seeks to determine their passion and interest for art, they will also carry out a practical assessment which involves creating a piece of art.

### SPORT

Students who are stand-out performers in sports may apply for one of our sporting scholarships:

- Aesthetics (gymnastics, dance)
- Aquatics (swimming, diving)
- Games Player (netball, lacrosse, football, cricket, tennis)
- Track & Field (Cross Country, Athletics)
- Equestrianism
- Skiing

Potential candidates will have well-rounded physical ability in areas such as stamina, agility and co-ordination. Students applying should be competing at a minimum of club level, or have a recognised ranking in their sport, in order to be considered.

In addition to an interview with the Director of Sport, candidates will be invited to take part in a sporting assessment that examines their chosen specialism and their natural fitness and sporting skills.

A reference will be taken from the current school or external coach of candidates who are not at Abbot's Hill Prep.

- Aesthetics candidates will perform a short routine, as well as perform skills in isolation.
- Aquatics candidates will show that they are competent in all strokes or provide evidence that they compete in diving at a high level.
- Games Players candidates will perform their chosen sport and complete different fitness and skills tests.
- Track & Field candidates will perform in their chosen event as well as complete a variety of fitness tests.
- Equestrianism candidates must be competent in either eventing, dressage or showjumping to a very high level. More specifically: Dressage - should be competing at British Dressage Prelim Level and above, Show Jumping - should be competing at 90cm regularly in either British Show Jumping, NSEA or Unaffiliated, Eventing - should be competing at 80cm and ideally signed up to British Eventing or competing in 'Horse Events' eventing Competition.
- Skiing candidates must provide video evidence of any racing events they have participated in, this can either be on real snow, artificial (indoor) snow, artificial (outdoor) snow slope.





Students who are gifted musicians may apply for the Music Scholarship. Candidates must hold a Grade 4 qualification (for example, ABRSM, Trinity) or above in their first instrument or Grade 3 qualifications in two instruments (this may include vocal).

Candidates will be invited to deliver a musical performance of their choosing to the Director of Music, which they will then have the opportunity to discuss as well as carry out a variety of music related tasks which seek to determine both a candidate's musical ability as well as interest in musical styles, composition and performance.

#### DRAMA

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Students who are talented performers may apply for the Drama Scholarship. Attendance at a co-curricular theatre club will be looked upon favourably, though is not essential.

Candidates are expected to show excellence and strong potential in all aspects of drama and will be assessed in their ability to perform a monologue (script will be provided) as well as other drama-related tasks including improvisation. Candidates will also be interviewed by the Co-Directors of Drama and be expected to demonstrate their passion for theatre.

#### BAIRD



The Baird Scholarship is reserved for candidates who exhibit excellence in several disciplines. Candidates who are invited to apply for either of the Academic Scholarship assessments (owing to their score in the ISEB pre-test) and also have applied for at least one of the specialist scholarships (Art & Design, Sport, Music, Drama) and have shown high levels of ability in this area may be considered for the Baird Scholarship.

