

**St Christopher's School**  
A Brighton College School



**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

**General**

Scholarships can be awarded to pupils for entry to Year 4 and to pupils who perform outstandingly well academically as they progress through Middle School. The vast majority of Scholarship Awards are made to pupils for entry to Year 7. The primary function of scholarships is to recognise excellence and not to provide fee remission. Scholarships should not be confused with bursary support which can be applied for on entry to the school in Year 4 or by parents experiencing financial difficulty (Year 4 to 8). Bursary applications should be discussed with the Headmaster and will be assessed by the School Bursar. A panel of teachers chosen by the Headmaster will discuss and review Scholarship awards for the next academic year in the Lent Term. They should not be applied for by parents.

**Year 4**

Academic Scholarships may be awarded to exceptional performers entering Year 4 and to pupils who perform outstandingly well in Year 4 or 5. A variety of factors will be considered, including ability tests, marks, examination marks reports and performance in class. A panel will meet in the Lent Term to consider candidates and to review the performance of those who have already received Scholarship Awards.

**Year 7**

Scholarships are awarded for entry to Year 7 for Academic excellence. Sport, Music and Art Scholarships are awarded at this stage and very impressive contributions in a range of activities might be recognised by an All-rounder Award. The award of more than one Scholarship to a pupil will be a rarity and no pupil will be awarded more than two awards. A range of factors will be considered by a Scholarship Panel chosen by the Headmaster. This panel will meet in the Lent Term to consider candidates and to review the performance of those who already hold an internal Scholarship. Awards already held can only remain the same or be augmented at this stage and will not be lowered or removed without further discussion between parents and the school.

Scholarships are awarded on the expectation of continued excellence and may be withdrawn should this expectation not be met. In this event, the Headmaster would write to request a meeting with parents. Only if there was no improvement after this meeting would the Headmaster withdraw the award a term after the meeting.

The Headmaster reserves the right to make awards at any other point to reward exceptional performance.

The Scholarship Panel will consider all available information and data and the decision reached will not be subject to appeal or discussion. The Headmaster's decision will be final.

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**Next Review:** April 2020

**J.Withers**  
**Headmaster**