

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION







INTRODUCTION

Through sport and physical activity, we aim to develop transferable skills and build the foundations for a lifetime of health and wellbeing. Participation in sport helps to develop valuable skills for life – from adaptability and resilience to cooperation and mental agility.

"Sport at Hollygirt is for everyone, at all levels of ability and competition".

At Hollygirt, a scholarship is neither an elitist badge nor a glorified coupon, but a recognition of particular potential and an expression of hope that certain pupils will lead the way in supporting an aspect or aspects of school life. There are no compulsory extra activities for scholars; and equally, all we offer is open to all who are prepared to work diligently, persevere doggedly, commit faithfully and learn humbly. However, we choose our scholars to be the sort of people who will want to do all these things, and so set an example to the whole school.

The number of scholarships awarded in any one year will depend upon the number and quality of applicants. Potential pupils are invited to visit us, at an Open Morning or for a personal tour. Once registration is complete, we ask for a reference from a candidate's current school as well as the relevant scholarship paperwork. Assessment for Scholarship usually takes place in March before entry the following September.

Scholars will have the opportunity to work closely with the Sports Department through commitment to the Physical Education programme, curricular sport and extra-curricular fixtures and sporting activities programmes.

The major sports at Hollygirt are football, hockey, cricket, netball, badminton and athletics. Young people who excel in one or more or our major sports or who can demonstrate outstanding potential in sports of their interest, are invited to apply for a Scholarship.

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP

As a sports scholar at Hollygirt school we would be looking for our scholars to:

- Display the potential to make a major contribution to our school teams
- Maintain a good level of fitness, coordination and commitment.
- Have an excellent attitude towards sport and remain 'coachable'.
- Possess the potential to learn new skills and adapt to unpredictable environments in changeable situations
- To regularly train and represent at club, county or regional level in at least one sport.

EXPECTATIONS

As a sports scholar at Hollygirt school we would expect our scholars to:

- To lead by example in their chosen sport; to be a beacon to those around them and an example to those below them.
- To demonstrate and develop leadership skills, often as the team captain, you will be responsible for leading the team warm up and writing match reports
- To show an early interest in coaching and supporting the players and younger pupils around you.
- To attend one or more of the ECA clubs that are on offer at the school.
- To maintain an excellent standard of behaviour around school and to understand the importance of learning in other subject areas.

Application Process

- Submission of a Sports CV with your application
- Invitation to attend an assessment day
- Interview with Head of Sport/Deputy Head/Head