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## **SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS**

Academic





#### Dear Reader,

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our scholarship provision here at Pangbourne College.

Pangbourne College is a NACE Challenge accredited school, one of only two independent senior schools with a Sixth Form to have this accolade in the United Kingdom. This award is only given to schools that demonstrate excellence in teaching and learning, leadership, and challenge across the board, and our scholarship programmes are at the very heart of that.

Holders of scholarships can expect recognition across the College. Each one of your child's teachers will know that they are talented within a particular aspect of the curriculum or, in the case of Academic Scholars, exceptionally able across the board. It is this individualised care for every child, every lesson, that makes our more able provision so impactful.

Every one of the scholarship pathways has their own programme, designed to help your child flourish in that area, and eventually lead in it, as they progress through the College. Each scholar is recognised as a leader in our community and is expected to take full ownership and accountability for their role, judged against our Flag Values and Academic Standards.

In exchange, we offer the finest level of enhancement of their skillset to help them pursue their passion.



I invite you to read through this booklet and see for yourself the fantastic diversity of opportunity that every prospective scholar can expect at Pangbourne College. Our small size and award-winning more able provision means that we can assure you that your child will indeed flourish as a scholar in our special community.

I hope to meet you soon.

Best wishes,

Jack Sims, MSci, PGCE

Head of Scholars





Pangbourne College offers a limited number of scholarships and exhibitions to pupils who demonstrate exceptional academic ability or excellence in a major co-curricular specialism. The following pages describe the entry criteria, scholarship programme benefits, and expectations.

#### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Holding a scholarship or exhibition at Pangbourne College is recognition of a pupil's excellence in their specialism, their potential to participate actively in the life of the College, and their contribution as a positive role model and leader in their specialism. As such, while the College does not provide automatic fee remission for scholarship or exhibition holders, we do recognise award holders with a dedicated scholarship programme.

Award holders can expect additional lectures, visits and opportunities, depending on the type and specialism of the award they are holding. Their progress will be closely monitored and mentoring within their specialism will be available. There is an annual Scholars' Dinner which is a significant date in the College calendar.

#### APPLYING FOR FEE ASSISTANCE

The scholarship or exhibition award does not carry automatic fee reduction. Pupils who are awarded a scholarship or exhibition may be eligible for additional assistance with payment of school fees in the form of means-tested financial assistance. This is traditionally known as a 'bursary', and the bursary application process is run in tandem with an application to Pangbourne College. The means-testing process is administered by the Bursar. Click here for the Bursary Application Form.



#### HOW SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS WORK

In Year 7, exhibitions are offered for two years and will be reviewed prior to the end of Year 8. Those pupils who have demonstrated a consistent dedication to their specialism are able to reapply, in competition with any new scholarship applicants, for the award prior to the entry into Year 9.

In Year 9, scholarships and exhibitions are awarded for three years until the end of Year 11, provided that the pupil's conduct across the College and performance in their scholarship specialism is preserved during the time in which they hold the scholarship or exhibition. Pupils may apply for one award only, which can be held in addition to an Academic Scholarship.

#### SIXTH FORM SCHOLARSHIPS

At Sixth Form, incoming new entrants are able to apply for scholarships via the normal admissions process. Internal Sixth Form scholarships are awarded by the Head and senior leaders to current Year 11 pupils as recognition of outstanding endeavour or achievement; there is no application process. Just like external candidates, holders of internal Sixth Form scholarships are welcome to apply separately for means-tested financial assistance.

All Sixth Form scholarships and exhibitions are awarded for two years, are conditional upon achievement of predicted GCSE results, and are subject to continued performance.

### ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS

Year 7, 9 and Sixth Form

#### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE AN ACADEMIC SCHOLAR?

Academic Scholarships are the most important scholastic awards made by the College and are based on academic merit in a range of subjects and the potential to produce an outstanding performance at GCSF and A Level.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING A PANGBOURNE ACADEMIC AWARD HOLDER?

Academic Scholars are automatically members of the **High Potential Achievers (HPA) programme** and will follow the **Academic Scholarship Programme**, offering them a unique carousel of off-specification courses each term. These include Marine Ecology, Theology, and Classical Civilisation to name a few.

As a NACE Challenge school, all Academic Scholars will be known by the teaching staff. Our philosophy is that every pupil should be challenged within each lesson, with regular assessment and hard thinking. Progress across the curriculum is carefully monitored by the Head of Scholars. Each pupil can expect careful guidance on GCSE, A Level and university selection with a member of the Academic Management Team (AMT), which will enable each pupil the best opportunity to carve their own path. We are exceptionally proud of our more able provision at the College and we are confident that each Academic Scholar will be nurtured to reach their full potential.



Academic Exhibition holders will be treated as more able within the College, which will enable teachers to challenge each of them accordingly.

The scholarship or exhibition award does not carry automatic fee reduction. Where appropriate, scholarship award holders may benefit from fee remission in the form of a means-tested bursary. Applications for bursaries may be submitted alongside the scholarship application.

#### WHAT DO WE EXPECT OF A PANGBOURNE SCHOLAR?

Holders of Academic Scholarships are expected to play a leading role in encouraging others to challenge themselves academically. They will demonstrate this through excellent effort grades in all subjects.





#### WHAT IS THE SELECTION PROCESS?

#### Year 7

At Year 7, entrance for all pupils to the College is via our own activity based assessment. Outstanding performance in the assessment may be rewarded with an exhibition.

There will be an opportunity for those who do particularly well in Years 7 and 8 to compete for a scholarship prior to entry to the Senior School at Year 9. To facilitate this, all entrants at the College will complete the **Dunbar Project Qualification (DPQ)** which will help prepare them for the process for Year 9 entry.

#### Year 9

Candidates will need to attend the College for assessment over three days.

Those candidates applying for a Year 9 Academic Scholarship must be under 14 years old on 1 September of their year of entry into the College.

To be awarded an Academic Scholarship, a candidate will have to do well in the written exam papers and interviews, but also show a scholarly attitude and be a good role model to others.

For all candidates the College uses the ISEB Common Academic Scholarship Examination syllabus as the basis for academic scholarship exam papers. Internal candidates will be invited to apply based on their current teacher recommendations.



#### Sixth Form

Academic awards are made on the strength of outstanding GCSE grade predictions and confirmed upon the results, usually based on an existing Head's report. The minimum GCSE requirement for an Academic Scholarship is a mean average of 8, and this will gain the student access to **Higher Competitive Courses (HCC) provision** offered by the College, such as Oxbridge, medicine, dentistry, veterinary, and architecture.

#### WHAT DO OUR CURRENT SCHOLARS SAY?

"I have hugely benefited from the extra lessons and I believe Theory of Knowledge has opened up my mind and made me question things I would have never been concerned about before. Personally, the other lessons have made a great impact and have really helped me achieve the Academic Scholarship by learning parts of subjects that I hadn't previously been introduced to."

"Preparation that Pangbourne has offered through the Dunbar Qualification Project (DPQ) has benefited me greatly, especially with the Academic Scholarship because it has made me more confident and ready for the exams, as well as encouraging me to explore things I did not already know."



#### PANGBOURNE COLLEGE AWARD APPLICATION 2024

Academic, Sport, Design Technology, Art or Drama

PLEASE NOTE: Candidates need to be registered for entry in order to apply.

Name of Candidate:					
Date of Birth:					
Current School:					
Address of current school:					
Telephone number of current school:					
Name of Headmaster/mistress:					
Headmaster/mistress email address:					
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Year 9	Academic	☐ Sport	☐ Art	☐ Drama	☐ Design Technology
Lower Sixth	Academic	☐ Sport	☐ Art	☐ Drama	
Signature:				(Parent/Guar	dian)
Date:					
Please return this forn	n to:				

Please return this form to:

The Head of Admissions, Pangbourne College, Pangbourne, Reading, Berkshire, RG8 8LA

admissions@pangbourne.com

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### SCHOLARSHIP AND EXHIBITION AWARD CALENDAR 2024

YEAR 7 EXHIBITION	APPLICATION CLOSING DATE	EXHIBITION ASSESSMENT DATE	
Academic	No application necessary	Awarded for exceptional performance during the entrance assessment.	
Music	30 November 2023	30 January 2024	
YEAR 9 SCHOLARSHIP	APPLICATION CLOSING DATE	SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENT DATE	
Academic	30 November 2023	19 - 21 February 2024	
Art	30 November 2023	30 January 2024	
Design Technology	30 November 2023	30 January 2024	
Drama	29 September 2023	20 November 2023	
Music	29 September 2023	21 November 2023	
Sport	29 September 2023	9 November 2023	

**Please note:** Lower Sixth Academic, Art, Drama, Music and Sport Scholarship applications are considered and assessed by individual arrangement.

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### **Admissions Details**

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