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SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS

Sport





Dear Reader,

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our Sport 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. It is this individualised care for every child, every lesson, that makes our more able provision so impactful.

Our scholarship pathways have their own programme, designed to help your child flourish in that particular 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 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.

Exhibition holders will be treated as talented within their individual specialism, and extra provision will be provided at the discretion of the Head of Department.

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.

SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS

Year 9 and Sixth Form

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE A SPORT SCHOLAR?

A Sport Scholar in Year 9 will need to show a high level of ability and potential across a range of sports. This will be across the major sports that we offer and each scholar will need to demonstrate high potential in one of our performance sports: Girls' Hockey, Boys' Rugby, Boys' and Girls' Rowing, and Equestrian. In the Sixth Form, we still consider applicants across a range of sports but particularly those who show exceptional ability and potential in one of our focus sports.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING A PANGBOURNE SCHOLAR?

A Sport Scholar can expect significant support whilst they are on their performance journey. All scholars will be a part of the **Sports Performance Programme**. This encompasses seven key areas of sporting performance; **strength and conditioning, sport psychology, nutrition support, physiotherapy support, one-to-one skills, life management, and parental support.**

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.



Bronze Level (Year 9)	Silver Level (Year 10 and 11)	Gold Level (Sixth Form)
S&C session 1 x week	S&C session 1 x week	Up to 2 x S&C sessions per week in study periods (small group or one-to-one)
Skills sessions 1 x week in chosen sport	Bespoke S&C programme	1 x bespoke S&C programme
Nutrition workshop every Half Term	8 week mental skills training programme	1 x one-to-one skills sessions per week in either a study period or enrichment
Access to sports rehab expert once per week	One-to-one academic workload mentoring	8 week mental skills training programme
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Find full details of the Sports Performance Programme [here](#). This is provided at bronze, silver and gold levels, dependent on age, or level of performance.

WHAT DO WE EXPECT OF A PANGBOURNE SCHOLAR?

Pupils holding a Sport Scholarship or Exhibition are expected to participate fully in the sporting life of the College. They will play competitive team sport for all three terms of the year, and nearly all Sport Scholarship award holders will also represent a club, county, or region in their specialist sport. We also expect all Sport Scholars to uphold the values of the College, and will have a **Sport Scholars code of conduct** which they are expected to abide by.





WHAT IS THE SELECTION PROCESS?

Year 9

Those pupils applying for a sport award will take part in practical assessments during the day, as well as some cardiovascular and muscular endurance fitness tests to ascertain their general level of fitness. Pupils will also be assessed on their ability to perform alongside other candidates in small-sided games designed to assess their co-operation within a team, their co-ordination skills, and their awareness of team mates and leadership skills.

A week before the assessment, candidates should submit a short sport CV of no more than two A4 sheets, in addition to a supporting paragraph from the school's Head of Sport and/or external coaches. The CV should also include one small (passport size) headshot photograph of the candidate.

At the assessment, candidates will have a short, informal interview with the Director of Sport, where they will have the opportunity to discuss their sport CV. In the practical assessment, they will need to show competency at a variety of sports and be a valuable team player.

Sixth Form

Those students applying for a sport award will be assessed on an individual basis and will have a conversation with the Director of Sport and other relevant sport coaches. The process will involve the Director of Sport and colleagues observing candidates playing in matches at their current school, club, or county. If this is not possible then video footage of candidates performing their chosen sport(s) will be requested.



Where possible, candidates will take part in their chosen sport with other pupils at Pangbourne. Candidates should submit a short sport CV of no more than two A4 sheets, in addition to a supporting paragraph from the school's Director of Sport and the Head. The sport CV should also include one small (passport size) headshot photograph of the candidate.

The standard we are looking for at this level will be representation at county level, or above, in one of our focus sports. If this has not been possible, then a reference from a current sport teacher or coach, acknowledging their belief that the candidate would be comparable to county standard will suffice.

WHAT DO OUR CURRENT SCHOLARS SAY?

"My experience as a Sport Scholar has enabled me to flourish as a player, teammate, and leader. I have been supported and encouraged to step outside my comfort zone and appreciate the benefit of failure."

"It has given me many opportunities to push and challenge myself, simply being able to do the thing I love most, which has given me the strength to stay determined."

WHAT DO WE EXPECT OF AN EXHIBITION HOLDER?

An exhibition award holder will be expected to perform at the same level, but they won't necessarily meet the expectation of a scholar. They will be treated as talented within sport, and extra provision will be provided at the discretion of the Head of Sport.

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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:

I wish my child to be entered as a candidate for the following award (in the event of an award being offered, we undertake to withdraw from any other scholarship negotiation):

Please indicate ONE award only by ticking the box next to the appropriate subject. If you are applying for an Academic Scholarship, it is possible to apply for ONE other award also.

Year 7 Academic (No application form required. Academic Exhibitions are awarded for exceptional performance during entry assessment).

Year 9 Academic Sport Art Drama Design Technology

Lower Sixth Academic Sport Art Drama

Signature: (Parent/Guardian)

Date:

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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