

Scholarships at the Edinburgh Academy



Current Year Group	For entry into:	Type of Scholarship		Method of Assessment
Primary 6 (P6)	Geits (P7)	Academic	Book Token and Medal	Maths and English Exams
Geits (P7)	2nds (S1)	Academic	Book Token and Medal	Maths and English Exams
		Music	Free tuition with School staff in instrument and voice	Interview, report and audition (in instrument and voice) with Music staff
2nds (S1) / 3rds (S2) / 4ths (S3)	3rds (S2) / 4ths (S3) / 5ths (S4)	Academic	Max £500 per annum	Application form and interview
3rds (S2)	4ths (S3)	Art	Max £500 per annum	Interview to show portfolio of work with Head of Art and practical assessment
		Music	Free tuition with School staff in instrument and voice	Interview, report and audition (in instrument and voice) with Music staff
		Sport	Max £500 per annum	Practical assessments, sports CV and interview with PE Department
5ths (S4) / 6ths (S5)	6ths (S5) / 7ths (S6)	Academic	Max £500 per annum	Application form and interview
5ths (S4)	6ths (S5)	Art	Max £500 per annum	Interview to show portfolio of work with Head of Art and practical assessment
		Music	Free tuition with School staff in instrument and voice	Interview, report and audition (in 2 instruments) with Head of Music
		Sport	Max £500 per annum	Practical assessments, sports CV and interview with PE Department

Scholarship opportunities at the Edinburgh Academy are available to both internal and external candidates, and have been carefully designed to align with our goal that pupils are supported and challenged in developing as independent, curious, creative, collaborative and resilient learners.

In the Middle and Senior Years, pupils can compete for Academic, Art, Music and Sports Scholarships. Academic, Art and Sports awards offer individualised, one-to-one mentoring, designed to support the scholar in the realisation of his or her ambitions and potential. Music Scholarships offer free tuition in one instrument or voice.

Each Academic, Art and Sports Scholarship also includes a grant of up to £500, available to the scholar on an annual basis. This grant

provides financial assistance for the pursuit of the scholar's specialist academic, artistic or sporting endeavours through, for example, the purchase of books or equipment, attendance at study days or courses, or admission to relevant exhibitions, museums and events. Grant applications are made to the relevant members of staff, with scholars expected to discuss how they anticipate benefiting from the investment and, afterwards, whether the impact was as hoped.

By accepting a Scholarship Award, a student is making a clear commitment to take a leading role in the academic, sporting, musical or artistic life of the school, participating in extra-curricular enrichment events and activities. There is an expectation that scholars will represent the school in relevant internal

and external competitions, with Senior Years scholars acting as mentors to scholars in the younger years.

All Scholarships are subject to review and may be withdrawn if a pupil is not engaging productively with the programme. Students in receipt of an Academic Scholarship in Middle Years must reapply if they wish to continue the programme into Senior Years.

Pupils entering Geits and 2nds (S1), whether already attending the school or new applicants, may sit Maths and English exams to compete for Academic Medals. These awards also offer a substantial book token.

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Sports Scholarships

Applications are invited from pupils currently in 3rds (S2) and 5ths (S4) for the following academic session. **The deadline for applications is 10th January 2019.**

The core sports at Edinburgh Academy are rugby, hockey, netball, cricket, athletics and tennis. However, all sports are considered.

Applicants must be playing at least at District level or equivalent in their major sport.

Applicants are required to fill out an application form, including a sporting CV. A shortlist is chosen from the applications shortly after the deadline.

The selection of Sports Scholarship awards is based mainly on applicants' sports achievements and level of performance. If necessary, a practical session is arranged or video footage requested, to look at performance.

This is followed by an interview with one of the PE department to discuss sporting achievements and aspirations.

Recommendations are then sent to the Senior Management who will make final decisions and inform parents of decisions.

Art Scholarships

The Duncan Pettigrew Scholarship (entry into 4ths, S3)

Entry into Fourth year recognises pupils with particular strength in Art & Design. Successful candidates will have a high level of observational drawing skill and a willingness to try new media.

Pupils will be asked to demonstrate their creativity and commitment to the subject by submitting a portfolio of work that they have selected both from work done in school and in their own time.

- ▶ On the scholarship day they will be asked to produce a piece of work in any media to demonstrate their skill in their chosen media from a still life.
- ▶ They will bring their portfolio with them and have a short interview with the Head of the Department and another teacher from the department.

The Mark Cheverton Scholarship (entry into 6ths, S5)

This scholarship is awarded to pupils entering into 6th year.

The selection process is as above, with an extra emphasis on demonstrating a willingness to be pushing creativity to a very high level and to take risks rather than simply demonstrating a high level of technical skill.

The closing date for applications for Art Scholarships is 25 January 2019.

Academic Scholarships

Academic scholarships are open to internal and external candidates entering any year group from 3rds (S2) and above, and are awarded for either Middle (3rds – 5ths) or Senior (6ths & 7ths) Years.

Academic awards offer individualised, one-to-one mentoring, designed to support the scholar in the realisation of his or her ambitions and potential as well as a grant of up to £500. This is available to the scholar on an annual basis and provides financial assistance for the pursuit of the scholar's specialist academic endeavours through, for example, the purchase of books, attendance at study days or courses, or admission to relevant exhibitions, museums and events.

Selection is on the basis of an application form and interview. Applicants will be expected to submit examples of work to be discussed at interview.

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receipt of an Academic Scholarship in Middle Years must reapply if they wish to continue the programme into Senior Years.

Pupils entering Geits (P7) or 2nds (S1) may compete for the Caroline Bashford or 2nds (S1) Academic Medals which also offer a substantial book token. Candidates for these awards sit exams in English and Maths.

The deadline for applications is 10th January 2019.



Scholarships at the Edinburgh Academy

Caroline Bashford / 2nds (SI) Academic Medal

Caroline Bashford was Head of the Junior School at the Edinburgh Academy from 2003–10. When she retired she donated funds to the school to pay for medals to be awarded to pupils displaying a high level of academic excellence on entry to Geits (P7). A similar

medal is available to pupils entering 2nds (S1). Both awards also offer a substantial book token. Children wishing to compete for these awards are assessed in Maths and English. This assessment takes place in January and is open to any Primary 6 or 7 pupil, whether currently

at the Edinburgh Academy or about to enter the school. Performance does not affect entry into Geits for current EA Junior School pupils.

The deadline for applications is 10th January 2019.

Music Scholarships

Music plays a very important part in the life of the school. Three orchestras, two concert bands, a big band, three choirs and a wide variety of smaller ensembles meet at least once a week; there are annual concerts in the Queen's Hall and the Usher Hall, and many other musical events each year. We have an outstanding team of instrumental and singing teachers, and there are frequent opportunities for solo performance in school. A considerable number of pupils go on to read music at university and music college.

The Music Scholarship is open to both external candidates and pupils already at the Edinburgh Academy. The following current year groups are welcome to apply: Primary 7(Geits), Senior 2(3rds) and Senior 4(5ths). We can offer music scholarships for deserving candidates to the value of free tuition on one instrument or singing.

Audition

All applicants need to attend the audition in person. **Preliminary auditions will take place on Monday 21st January 2019 with final auditions on Monday 28 January 2019.** Candidates should ensure their instrumental/singing teachers approve and sign their application form and that a written or e-mailed reference from their instrumental/singing teachers, reporting on progress, aptitude and levels of application reaches the Director of Music **by the deadline for applications, 14 December 2018.**

Candidates will be assessed on references, interview and audition. Only one instrument need be offered; extra credit may be given when there is a second/third study (instrumental and/or vocal). Minimum entry standard on first instrument should normally be as follows: at P7 – Grade 4, at S2 Grade 5, at S4 Grade 7. Candidates should perform two contrasted pieces on their first instrument, and one piece on any further instrument or voice, bringing

any piano accompaniments. The audition will normally include a sight-reading test, scales and arpeggios on the first instrument at the required grade, and aural tests. We are always interested to see or hear any composition work or project work too.

Conditions

All Scholarship holders are expected to play a full and active part in the musical life of the school. The Directors reserve the right to withdraw the Scholarship at any time if the holder's progress or behaviour is not satisfactory.

Scholarship holders may have tuition outside school, subject to the agreement of the Director of Music, provided that the annual cost of lessons does not exceed the equivalent of thirty-five 40-minute lessons per year taken in school, and provided that the Director of Music receives termly reports of satisfactory progress from the teacher.