

All-rounder Scholarship Information

First Year (Year 7) Entry Information

All-rounder Scholarships are awarded to boys entering the First Year who reach the qualifying standard in the 11+ Entrance Examination and show high all-round ability. Candidates are asked to offer three areas of expertise from: Art, Chess, Drama, Music or Sport. Candidates of exceptional ability (e.g. sports) may offer that skill area only (except for Music and Art, for which there are separate awards). As academic ability is a key factor in the award, there is no separate 'Sports Scholarship'.

Please note that this award is extremely competitive and candidates will be required to demonstrate that they are outstandingly gifted in one or more areas.

Assessment Procedure

Candidates invited to the All-rounder assessment day will be assessed in their chosen activities by specialist members of staff. A report in support of the application should be made by the candidate's current Headteacher (please refer to application form). Letters of support from other representative bodies and appropriate professionals (e.g. music teacher, sports coach, art/drama tutors) are welcomed and should be included with the application form. The assessments are held in the January prior to the September of entry.

Criteria

Assessment elements include:

- 1. 11+ Entrance Examination result
- 2. Headteacher's Report in support of the Award application
- 3. Normally **three** *but for particularly able candidates*, **two** of the following All-rounder elements or, *for exceptional candidates*, **one** element (excluding Art and Music):

Music

Candidates may also be entered for the Music Award. In such a case, candidates are not assessed twice. The assessment will consist of:

- An audition piece on each instrument offered (this may only be one). Orchestral instruments are preferred.
- Aural tests and questions about general musical topics

Please note that candidates must have attained **at least Grade 3 standard** in their chosen instrument if offering Music as a skill area.

Art

Candidates may also be entered for the Art Award. In such a case, candidates are not assessed twice. The assessment will consist of:

- A drawing and/or painting test
- Submission of a portfolio of study and finished work (bring on the day)
- An informal discussion about art related topics

Drama

The assessment will consist of:

- An unseen audition piece. Ten minutes' preparation time is allowed immediately prior to the assessment
- References and/or certification from drama bodies are welcomed. Please supply a telephone contact number where applicable

Chess

The assessment will consist of:

- Participation in a game of chess
- An informal interview
- Any references or evidence of achievements, which are welcomed

Sport (for boys offering sport only, county or district standard is expected) The assessment will consist of:

- A fitness test
- A practical assessment of expertise in a maximum of two of the following categories: athletics, cricket, tennis and football **or** rugby
- Reference(s) and/or certification from non-school sporting bodies, relevant to the candidate's area(s) of expertise, are welcomed. Please supply a contact telephone number where applicable

Please note that successful candidates will normally be expected to be available for all School practices and fixtures in the sports offered at the point of assessment.

Tenure of an award will be subject to the holder's satisfactory continued academic work, conduct and commitment to his field(s) of expertise at Hampton School. If a candidate achieves another Award which he elects to hold, an All-rounder Award can only be held in an honorary capacity.

The School reserves the right not to award an All-rounder Scholarship if, in the assessors' opinion, the candidates are not of a sufficiently high standard.

All Awards are subject to annual review. They are dependent on continued excellent attitude and performance in the assessment areas and on approach to school and schoolwork in general.

Key Dates

Scholarship application forms for entry to the School in September 2016 will be available at the beginning of October 2015. To register your interest in advance please contact the Admissions office (020 8979 9273).