



# All-rounder Scholarship Information

## Third Year Entry (Year 9) Information

All-rounder Scholarships are awarded to boys entering the Third Year showing high all-around 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).

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 Head of the candidate's current school (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.

### Criteria

Assessment elements include:

1. Hampton 13+ Pre-Test result already sat by First Choice Common Entrance/Scholarship candidates
2. Head's Report in support of the Scholarship application
3. An interview (approximately 15 - 20 minutes in duration). The interview will, in part, be of an academic nature and may include a simple oral test on skills examined in one of the non-core compulsory Common Entrance subjects. No prior factual knowledge or preparation will be required and the interview will not be as demanding as that for an Academic Scholarship. Candidates may also have to complete a short written exercise.
4. 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 4 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.***

An Award is offered on the condition that if accepted, the candidate must either satisfy Hampton School's Common Entrance pass standard of 65% or achieve a standard in the Common Scholarship examination in May sufficient to gain him exemption from Common Entrance in June.

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 the holder achieves another Award which he elects to hold, an All-rounder Award can only be held in an honorary capacity. Where a candidate is also entered for the Common Scholarship examination in May the parents and candidate will subsequently be able to choose which to hold, if offered both.

*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).