



Music Award Information

Instrumental Music Scholarships are awarded to boys entering the First Year and the Third Year. Scholars are expected to make a major contribution to the School's musical life, in particular by playing in orchestras and ensembles and performing in concerts as the Director of Music may require and by joining in other musical activities.

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

Requirements

A Music Award can only be made to a candidate who reaches a qualifying standard in the appropriate entrance examination.

For entry to the First Year at 11+

Candidates are expected to offer two instruments and must have achieved Grade 4, or be of an equivalent standard, on their principal instrument. *(Candidates of an exceptional standard on a single study may be considered).*

For entry to the Third Year at 13+

Candidates are expected to offer two instruments and must have achieved Grade 6, or be of an equivalent standard, on their principal instrument. *(Candidates of an exceptional standard on a single study may be considered).*

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

Auditions

Each candidate will be asked to perform two contrasting pieces of music of their choice, on their first instrument. A skilled and sympathetic accompanist will be in attendance, but a candidate is welcome to bring his own accompanist if he prefers. The audition will include sight-reading (on the principal instrument), aural tests and questions about general music topics. A report from the candidate's Headteacher in support of the application should be provided (please refer to the Music Scholarship application form). Auditions are held in the January prior to the September of entry.

We strongly encourage all candidates to book an appointment for a pre-audition with the Director of Music before applying for a Music Scholarship.

Pre-auditions are held during the Autumn Term and candidates will be required to play two pieces of their choice, sight read and complete some aural tests. Please contact Ms K Ford, Performing Arts Administrator, to arrange an appointment (020 8783 4200 or email k.ford@hamptonschool.org.uk).

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).