



Fourth Form Scholarships & Bursaries



Fourth Form Scholarships General Information

Scholarships are offered to pupils entering the Fourth and Sixth Forms (Years 9 and 12). They are awarded in recognition of outstanding achievement or promise in a particular sphere. The primary benefit for our Scholars is the additional support, extension and challenge that the Scholarship programme provides.

Requirements for Fourth Form Applicants

- Candidates for Scholarships must be over 12 years old and under 14 years old on 1st June in the year which they are applying to enter the Fourth Form.
- The School will seek a written reference on each candidate from the Head of his or her present school.
- The value of a Scholarship will attract the same annual percentage rise as the School Fees.
- All Scholarships are reviewed annually to ensure that existing Scholars are still considered eligible.

Those candidates whose performance in the academic examinations is sufficiently strong, as assessed by the School, will be invited to proceed to interview shortly after the examinations.

The subject interviews will be approximately 15 minutes long. Candidates will be interviewed by Heads of Department at Mill Hill and by the Head, if they have been successful in multiple subjects. Candidates may be given some material/questions in some subjects to prepare for the interview in advance.

Candidates for Art are expected to bring a portfolio evidencing current artwork to interview, with the Head of Art. They will also be asked to complete a practical open-brief task, under timed conditions on the assessment day.

Candidates for Design Technology will engage with a practical activity on the assessment day, which normally consists of a problem solving challenge. The assessment will also include a 5 minute presentation, in which pupils are asked to talk about their research folder on a chosen designer and/or topic.

A Drama Scholarship is available to a pupil who is able to demonstrate outstanding acting ability. Evidence for this will be threefold: The pupil should have an outstanding record of full participation in past school productions, supported by a reference from that school, outlining exactly the pupil should be considered for a Scholarship. The candidate will take part in an audition session at Mill Hill in January. He/she should prepare two short audition speeches, one from Shakespeare and one from a modern play. They will also take part in a drama workshop with other candidates on the day of the audition. The successful candidate will be expected to involve him/ herself in public performances as requested at the school during their time at the school.

Candidates for Music may enter for either an Academic Scholarship or a Musical Performance Scholarship or for both. Candidates for a Music Scholarship will normally be expected to have reached at least the standard (though not necessarily to have sat the examination) of Grade 6 in piano or Grade 5 in an orchestral instrument. Two contrasting pieces will be expected and there will also be aural and sightreading tests. Further information on Music Scholarships may be obtained from the Director of Musical Performance.



A number of Sport Scholarships may be made annually. Candidates will be required to provide evidence of their sporting ability by the presentation of a sporting CV and a letter of recommendation from their present school and/or a letter of recommendation from a coach or manager of any out of school team represented. The letter of recommendation should detail significant skills and achievement of the candidates in their chosen sport/s. Candidates will also be expected to attend a Sports Scholarship Trial in January 2024, where fitness and agility levels will be assessed in their chosen sports.

It is expected that candidates for a Sport Scholarship will be:

- An outstanding performer in one or more sporting disciplines at his/her current school or at club/district/county or national level.
- Be able to demonstrate a strong interest in and commitment to their selected sport/s.
- Be able to offer expertise in areas that reflect the sporting provision at Mill Hill School.

Bursaries

Means-tested bursaries are available to new entrants to the School. Such awards are intended to extend the benefits of a Mill Hill education to pupils whose families would not otherwise be able to afford the School's fees. In addition, the School makes provision for the award of hardship bursaries to assist families who experience sudden and unexpected hardship. Bursaries are funded from the School's fee income, supplemented by contributions to the Mill Hill School Foundation Appeal.

Bursary awards are made by the Court of Governors upon the recommendation of the Foundation Bursary Committee. Candidates will be expected to demonstrate sound academic potential, strong extra-curricular interests and strong personal qualities.

Families wishing to apply for financial support are encouraged to request a Bursary Application Form and a copy of the School's Bursary Policy, both of which are available from our Bursary. Please email bursaries@mhsfoundation.org.uk for more details.

External Trust Funds

There are a number of Scholarships funded by external Trust Funds; the Head nominates candidates for these on the basis of the School's normal interviews and Entrance Examinations and any other information, as available and appropriate.

McClure/Life Governors' Scholarship is given at the Head's discretion; no special conditions.

The Ousey Scholarship is given to a candidate who is a lineal descendant of a former pupil of the School.

How to Apply for a Scholarship

To apply for a Scholarship, please complete and return the attached application form.

The Academic Examinations will take place in November preceding the year of entry to the Fourth Form. The deadline for all applications will be published each year but will normally be in early November.

For more information or assistance please contact the Admissions Office, Mill Hill School, The Ridgeway, Mill Hill Village, London NW7 1QS, telephone 020 8906 7923 or email registrations@millhill.org.uk.



Application Form

The deadline for Academic Scholarships is **Friday 10 November 2023**.

The deadline for Art, Drama, Design Technology, Music and Sport Scholarships is **Friday 24 November 2023**.

Please return the completed form to:

The Admissions Office, Mill Hill School, The Ridgeway, Mill Hill Village, London NW7 1QS
or send via email to: angela@millhill.org.uk

Full Name of Candidate

Name of Present School

Name of Headteacher

Name of Parent/Guardian

Telephone Number(s)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please tick the type(s) of Scholarship for which you wish your child to be considered;

Art

English

Design Technology

Mathematics

Drama

Science

Music - Please indicate instrument(s)

French

1st

Latin

2nd

Sport

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