

## SIXTH FORM SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are offered to pupils entering the Sixth Form (Year 12, known as Lower Sixth at Mill Hill School). A MHS academic, creative or sports scholarship is an award reserved for those pupils who combine exceptional performance in their chosen domain with a genuine curiosity to contribute to the provision provided by the School's academic and co-curricular departments.

### ELIGIBILITY

A MHS scholarship is a titular honour. There is no financial remission attached to the award of a scholarship. Pupils meeting the criteria are encouraged to apply for bursarial support where available.

### WHAT SHOULD A PUPIL EXPECT FROM THE AWARD OF A SCHOLARSHIP?

An academic or creative scholar should expect to benefit from and/or contribute to some or all of the following;

- The opportunity to participate in a departmental-led scholars club (Departments are expected to run at least one Scholar club or society per term)
- Participation in school-led scholarship events and competitions
- Contributions to school publications are encouraged
- Access to external speakers and events related to your field of scholarship
- The opportunity to participate in subject-specific local and national competitions
- Access to special events involving the Old Millhillians alumni network
- Support and guidance with subject-specific higher education and careers guidance, including for the most competitive admissions
- Suggestions of further reading and research to deepen your knowledge and understanding and spark your intellectual curiosity
- The opportunity to represent the scholarship subject at key school events (e.g. Open Morning)
- Regular opportunities to perform or showcase their skills and aptitudes both in and outside the School community
- The occasion to take part in subject-specific trips.
- Other opportunities as relevant to the specific subject area.
- Opportunity within the Sixth Form to participate in the Sir James Murray Society
- It is expected that scholars will aim high in their applications to leading universities in the UK and globally, with close guidance provided to help them prepare.

A sports scholar should expect to benefit from some or all of the following;

- Academy level coaching
- Individual skills coaching and 121 skills coaching
- Academy level S & C coaches and programmes
- Access to an on-site medical team and Physio
- Team and Individual performance analysis
- Sports Psychology
- Sports Nutrition

### WHAT SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE AND HOW ARE THEY ASSESSED?

#### Academic Scholarships – Humanities and STEM

There are two forms of academic scholarship, namely Humanities (encompassing English Literature, History, Geography, Religious Studies (Philosophy and Ethics), Modern Foreign Languages and Latin) and STEM (encompassing, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Design Technology and Computer Science).

Candidates for a Humanities or STEM scholarship are typically expected to sit one examination in one subject from those listed as qualifying subjects. They must subsequently select the subject for which they have sat the examination as one of their A Levels. Occasionally, a candidate may be invited to interview to qualify their suitability for a scholarship.

For Design and Technology, candidates will be invited for practical assessment.

#### Creative Scholarships – Art, Music and Drama.

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 at the interview.

Candidates for Musical Performance will be required to have Grade 8 proficiency on one instrument or voice and Grade 5 on a second instrument or voice. Only if a pupil has considerable proficiency in an instrument/voice and skills in composition, is this requirement waived. As part of the assessment, pupils will be expected to perform two contrasting pieces and there will also be aural and sight-reading tests. Further information on Musical Performance Scholarships may be obtained from the Director of Musical Performance.

Candidates for Drama will have a practical assessment alongside an interview with the Head of Academic Drama and the Director of Theatrical Performance.

### Sports Scholarships

Sport candidates will be asked to submit a Sports CV, 2 minute highlight video, references, and participate in an assessment day. The assessment day will consist of four components; athletic performance tests, a practical assessment of their chosen sport/s, and a sports psychology and leadership assessment. Applications will only be considered from pupils who have shown absolute commitment to their School's sports programme.

### How many scholarships may a pupil apply for?

A pupil will be expected to dedicate a considerable amount of time to the various elements of their scholarship. For this reason there are restrictions on how many scholarships a candidate may hold.

Either

- Up to two Academic Scholarships
- One academic and up to two creative/sports scholarships
- 3 creative/sports scholarships (this will only be permitted for an exceptional candidate who can demonstrate the capacity to balance their scholarship commitments alongside the demands of academic study.)

### 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@millhill.org.uk](mailto:bursaries@millhill.org.uk) for 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. The McClure Memorial Scholarship is awarded to an individual of outstanding ability who in the Head's opinion will make an outstanding contribution to the life of the School. The award is funded in part by Old Millhillians who are Life Guardians and/or members of the Old Millhillians Club.

The Ousey Scholarship is given to a candidate who is a lineal descendant of a former pupil of the School. These scholarships are not connected to the scholarships awards described above, which carry no financial award.

### 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 Sixth Form. Practical Assessments will take place in the second half of the Autumn Term preceding the year of entry to the Sixth Form. 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 [mhsscholarships@millhill.org.uk](mailto:mhsscholarships@millhill.org.uk).

### KEY DATES FOR PUPILS JOINING THE SIXTH FORM FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26

#### Thursday 17 October 2024

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Deadline for Scholarship applications

#### 7 November 2024

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Sport Scholarship Assessments for external candidates (Rugby only)

#### 14 November 2024

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Sport Scholarship Assessments for external candidates (all sports)

#### 14 November 2024

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Design Scholarship practical assessments

#### Friday 15 November 2024 - Saturday 16 November 2024

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Sixth Form internal applicant Scholarship Examinations

#### W/C 18 November 2024

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Sports Scholarship internal applicant assessments

#### 22 November 2024

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Art Scholarship practical assessments

#### 25 November 2024

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Music Scholarship practical assessments

#### 27 November 2024

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Drama Scholarship practical assessments

#### 2 December 2024

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Notification of Scholarship Application outcome

# APPLICATION FORM

Please return the completed form to: [mhsscholarships@millhill.org.uk](mailto:mhsscholarships@millhill.org.uk) no later than Thursday 17 October 2024.

## ACADEMIC

(please tick the subject for which you wish to sit your academic assessment examination. You may only tick one subject per stream.)

### Humanities

- English
- History
- Geography
- Philosophy and Ethics
- French
- Spanish
- German
- Latin
- Music (academic)

### STEM

- Maths
- Science
- Computer Science

### For music only:

First Instrument and current Grade:

Second Instrument and current Grade:

## CREATIVE

(please tick the relevant subject(s))

- Art  Music Performance  Drama  Design Technology

### For music only

First Instrument and current Grade:

Second Instrument and current Grade:

## SPORT

(Please indicate which sports and current playing level)

First Sport:

Second Sport:

Sports CV and references to be submitted with Sports Scholarship Application Form available [here](#).

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**CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

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Full Name of Candidate

Name of Present School

Name of Headteacher

Name of Parent/Guardian

Telephone Number(s)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date