

# **Scholarship** Awards

13+ Entry September 2021



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# **Scholarship Awards at Wycliffe**

We are delighted to announce that a range of Scholarships are available for 13+ candidates applying for a place in Year 9 at Wycliffe in September 2021. We are looking for candidates who show excellence in academic, sporting, musical, dramatic, design and art disciplines.

Becoming a Scholar at Wycliffe will give you the:

- Recognition of your achievements
- Appreciation of your exceptional potential
- Status of being a Scholar within the College
- Enhancement of UCAS application and CV for future ventures
- New opportunities to influence school life
- Prospect of being a leader of the school and a good role model.



# Wycliffe Scholarships

Here at Wycliffe we have two rounds of assessments for 13+, which take place during the academic year before a pupil is to join us. Pupils may apply for more than one scholarship from either round of assessments. Please note that our Sports Scholarship will only take place once, in October 2020, for 13+ entry in September 2021.

We currently offer the following scholarship awards at Wycliffe:

- ACADEMIC
- ART
- DRAMA
- DESIGN TECHNOLOGY
- MUSIC
- SPORT



# 13+ Scholarship Assessment Dates

Academic	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	
Art	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2020	
Drama	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2020	
Design Technology	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2020	
Music	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2020	
Sport	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	

#### **1st Round — September 2020**

#### 2nd Round – January 2021

Academic	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2021	
Art	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	
Drama	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	
Design Technology	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	
Music	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	

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# Academic

Academic Scholarship candidates are assessed on their aptitude and potential across a range of disciplines. The Academic assessment is by way of an online Cognitive Ability Test; no preparation is advised for these tests, which are nationally standardised methods by which potential can be accurately measured and benchmarked. Scholarships are awarded biannually for 13+ entry.

Assessment: online CAT test



### Art

Wycliffe College offers a number of Art Scholarships each year, with awards made on the presentation of a portfolio of artwork indicating potential as well as performance in the field of Art, for example: drawing, painting and printmaking. However, evidence of creativity in other Art and Design disciplines is also of interest.

During the Scholarship Assessment Day, candidates will be expected to produce a piece of work whilst in Wycliffe's Art School. This exercise will be followed by a brief interview with the Head of Art, where the candidate will discuss his or her portfolio, inclusive of their: personal work, schoolwork and sketchbooks.

Acceptance should indicate a genuine engagement with the subject and a willingness to make a leading contribution to the visual arts at Wycliffe College in the field of Art.

**Assessment:** portfolio and practical element to include production of a piece of work on the day, and an interview with our Head of Art.



# **Design Technology**

Wycliffe offers Awards in Design Technology to 13+ candidates applying to Year 9 who are able to show a real interest and ability in the creative aspects of design and a good understanding of technology concepts. They should be able to exhibit a high level of graphical communication and craft skills.

Selection is in three stages:

1. A design examination of one-hour duration. No advance preparation is required:

- Candidates will be required to analyse a given design brief.
- Sketch two alternative designs that satisfy the specification provided.
- Review their ideas.
- Produce a final design that shows some development from the initial idea along with some technical knowledge of materials and construction methods.

Candidates may want to bring a pencil case with their favourite drawing equipment.

2. A portfolio of Design Technology related work that the candidate has either produced at school or home, showing as full a range of experience as possible:

- It should include design drawings and an appreciation of the design process.
- If possible, evidence of completed practical projects, ideally in a range of different materials (photographs accepted).

3. A brief interview with the Design Technology staff.

**Assessment:** portfolio of work, a one hour design exam and an interview with our Head of Design Technology.

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### Drama

In assessing candidates for 13+ Drama Scholarships we are looking for potential as much as actual achievement. Candidates should indicate commitment and possess charisma, energy and ideas. Successful candidates are expected to make a special contribution to school life through their drama, which will include taking part in the school production and taking full advantage of the opportunities on offer to enhance their skills. They will be expected to study Drama to GCSE level, and it is hoped they will continue with A Level Theatre Studies in Wycliffe Sixth Form.

Selection is primarily by interview and audition speeches. Candidates may offer either acting or design for assessment. All candidates will be expected to talk about a theatrical production they have seen in the last year, in a short interview with the Head of Drama. Additionally, acting candidates should prepare a short piece to perform, of approximately two minutes' duration, from a play of their own choice. Design candidates should produce a log book including sketches of set, costumes or lighting from a play of their own choice.

**Assessment:** a short review of a theatrical production during an interview with our Head of Drama, and a performance of a short pre-prepared piece of two minute duration.



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# Music

Music occupies a central position in life at Wycliffe with all pupils taking part in some musical activities during the year. Weekly musical activities include Chapel Choir, VOX (our advanced vocal group), Orchestra, Flute Group, String Group and Jazz Band. Much of the music for these groups is especially arranged and bespoke for the specific players involved. Rehearsals for the music groups usually take place during lunchtimes or as part of Activities.

There are services, concerts and performances of music throughout the year, both inside and outside of school. There is an annual House Song Evening that includes all of the pupils in the school, as well as a biannual House Music Competition. We also organise masterclasses and workshops to stretch and inspire our musicians, one of which was run by Voces8.

Facilities include a dedicated Music Department building with teaching rooms and a main teaching and rehearsal room. For those with an interest in popular music and production, we have a Music Technology Suite and recording studio equipped with iMacs running the latest software for sequencing and recording. We also hold Gig Nights to encourage a wide variety of music-making, and organise trips to see live performances of music in a range of different styles.

Wycliffe supports talented musicians through Music Scholarships that help develop and nurture musical potential. Music Scholars form the core of the ensembles and therefore have a very important role in the Department.

Wycliffe is a friendly place and we try to make candidates feel at home, for this reason, the Director of Music, Mrs Gemma Russell, is always pleased to meet prospective candidates and their parents at any time prior to the assessment.

**Assessment**: references from current school or private music teacher, performance during the assessment day and interview with our Director of Music.

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# Sport: 13+ and Sixth Form

At 13+ and Sixth Form entry level we are looking for games players whose performance is of a very high standard at school level. Candidates are likely to be playing sport at county representative level or above, or they should demonstrate the potential to do so should their current circumstances not allow representative sport.

There would be an expectation of a high level of commitment to all spheres of sport at Wycliffe. Sports Scholarship Awards will be made on the demonstration of potential in two or more of the major team sports at 13+ and in one or more of the major team sports at Sixth Form.

#### Major Sport at Wycliffe

1	3+ and Sixth Fo	rm	Sixth Form Only
<ul> <li>Rugby</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hockey</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Netball</li> </ul>	Rowing
<ul> <li>Cricket</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Football</li> </ul>	Tennis	
<ul> <li>Squash</li> </ul>			

Applicants should be outstanding at first team level at school or club, in at least one of the sports listed above. Ability in other sports may also be considered.

Selection will be made through assessment in various fitness testing as well as performance in the selected sports. Supporting evidence of previous accomplishments in sport, in the form of references should be submitted with your application or at the interview.

We will require references at 13+ and Sixth Form in all your major sports and also a personal statement – Why you deserve the title of Scholar.

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**Assessment**: references from current school or club coaches, fitness testing and performance during the assessment day.

### **Frequently Asked Questions...**

#### How do pupils apply for an award?

Pupils should complete the relevant Application form(s) and write a Letter of Application and submit these by the deadline date. External candidates will also need to register with Wycliffe and provide a copy of their most recent school report.

#### Can international pupils apply for a scholarship?

We encourage and welcome scholarship applications from international pupils. Special arrangements are made if the pupil is unable to attend the assessments due to travel issues.

#### What is a Letter of Application?

The Letter of Application is a letter written by the pupil and addressed to our Head of College, Mr Gregory. The letter explains why the pupil would merit the title 'Scholar' and how being a Scholar would make a difference to our Wycliffe community.

#### What are the value of the awards?

The awards are made on an individual basis and are determined by the calibre and potential of successful applicants.

### Can you give me an indication of when I am likely to receive the results after attending a Scholarship Assessment Day?

The results are sent to the candidates' home addresses via first class post, usually within a week after the last scholarship assessments have taken place.

#### Do previous awards continue into Sixth Form?

Scholarships are held for the duration of a pupil's time at Wycliffe College, provided his or her conduct is satisfactory and his or her level of work and commitment is in line with the expectations of a Scholar.

### Can a pupil who was awarded a scholarship in the first round apply for another scholarship in the second round?

At Wycliffe, pupils have the opportunity to attend two scholarship assessment dates for both the 13+ Scholarships and the Sixth Form Scholarships, with the exception of the Sports Scholarship which has one assessment date only. If unsuccessful in the first round, pupils may apply again in the second round of scholarship assessments if they believe they have made significant improvement (with exception of All-Rounder for 16+ entry).

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# **Deadline for Application**

### **1ST ROUND OF ASSESSMENTS**

Deadline for submitting applications for **13+ September Assessment** is:

#### MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

### **2ND ROUND OF ASSESSMENTS**

Deadline for submitting applications for **13+ January Assessment** is:

### MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021

Completed applications should be sent to:

By email to: Mrs Fiona Lawson-Best, Admissions Manager fiona.lawson-best@wycliffe.co.uk

By post to: Mrs Fiona Lawson-Best, Wycliffe College, Admissions, 32 Regent Street, Stonehouse Glos. GL10 2AD

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## Scholarship Application Form

Surname:	Forename:
Current School:	

PLEASE TICK THE SCHOLARSHIP(S) YOU WISH TO APPLY FOR:	
	• ART
	<ul> <li>DESIGN TECHNOLOGY</li> </ul>
	o DRAMA
	o MUSIC
	• SPORT

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH	• 13+ SEPTEMBER 2020
ASSESSMENT DATE YOU AER APPLYING FOR:	• 13+ JANUARY 2021
APPLIING FOR.	• SPORT: 13+ OCTOBER 2020

#### HOW TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

Please complete the above information and submit this form by the deadline date for assessments (see separate page for date).

For Music and Sport applications, please also complete the relevant application form(s).

All applicants must submit a Letter of Application explaining why they merit the title of 'Scholar' – if applying for multiple scholarships one letter will cover all disciplines.

#### NON-WYCLIFFE APPLICANTS

We also require a completed registration form, payment of the registration fee along with a copy of the applicants' most recent school reports and a visiting pupil medical form.

All applicants must submit a Letter of Application explaining why they merit the title of 'Scholar' – if applying for multiple scholarships one letter will cover all disciplines.

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### MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Applicant's Full Name:	
Applicant recommended by? (i.e., Director of Music or another Music Teacher):	
Instrument(s) and Grades passed, with marks and dates:	
If no examination taken, indicate for how long lessons have been taken and approximate Grade:	
Theory examinations taken, with grades and marks:	
Will the applicant offer singing?	
If so, please give brief details of experience:	

Please also provide a reference from your Head of Music at your current school or Private Music Tutor. Please continue on a blank page if required.



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#### **SPORT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Surname:	Forename:
Current School:	

The main sports played at Wycliffe are:

#### 13+

BC	)YS	GIF	RLS
<ul> <li>Rugby</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Football</li> </ul>	Netball	<ul> <li>Hockey</li> </ul>
Cricket	Tennis	Tennis	<ul> <li>Cricket</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Squash</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Squash</li> </ul>	

#### SIXTH FORM

BC	YS	GIF	RLS
<ul> <li>Rugby</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hockey</li> </ul>	Netball	<ul> <li>Rowing</li> </ul>
Cricket	<ul> <li>Football</li> </ul>	Tennis	<ul> <li>Cricket</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Squash</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rowing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Squash</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rowing</li> </ul>

Please state Wycliffe sport(s) being offered for assessment and level played in order of ability (maximum of 3 sports):

13+	SIXTH FORM
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.

Please outline sporting achievements outside of Wycliffe main sports:

Please provide references separately from Club/School or County Coaches to support this application.

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