

#### SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

# Thank you for researching our scholarships and awards – they are a highlight of School life: a real opportunity to be curious and confident!

Personal development is central to our concept of scholarship, but equally the responsibility to contribute and develop our community through intellectual, creative or sporting endeavours is highly valued by us. Our approach for scholarships and awards is also designed to align beneficiaries more closely with the School's aim: "To provide an education which nurtures intellectual curiosity and which is challenging and fun, balancing academic excellence with fulfilment of individual potential in the arts, sport and extra-curricular activities".

The programme for Scholars and Award holders gives them access to our High Fliers events, where they are expected to play a lead in discussion and activities. In addition, other opportunities suited to their award are made available and monitoring takes places through a specialist associated with their award or the School's Able, Gifted and Talented Coordinator.

All of this takes learning beyond the taught curriculum and pushes it, intentionally, out of the comfort zone. The opportunities are designed to make things challenging, but ultimately inspiring.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS AVAILABLE

Every year, scholarships and awards are available to girls entering Badminton in the Junior School, Year 7 (11+), Year 9 (13+) and the Sixth Form (16+). Scholarships are awarded to girls with a talent in a particular area and Awards are more discretionary, given to girls where we see real potential.

	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 9	Sixth Form
Junior School	1	1			
All-Rounders			1	1	1
Academic			1	1	1
Music			1	1	1
Art				1	1
Sports			1	1	1
STEM			1	1	
South West Regional Award	1	1	1	1	1
Sixth Form Day Girl Award					1
OBA			1	1	1



## A C A D E M I C S C H O L A R S H I P

Badminton's Academic Scholarship award is aimed at pupils who show a genuine interest in the academic side of School life and who are prepared to be an academic role model to other pupils. They relish study and demonstrate evidence of intellectual curiosity and a desire to research topics outside of the mainstream curriculum. Academic Scholars play a full role in the academic life of the School and demonstrate high ability across the subject range. In School, they would not only excel academically, but display exemplary work practices and be prepared to act as academic leaders.







"The reason I applied for a scholarship was because it was a challenge and because I knew that I would have a real sense of achievement if I was awarded one. It has enabled me to take part in the High Flyers Programme. I have also had the opportunity to take part in some activities, such as a poetry workshop, that would not have been available to me if I were not a scholar.

The School has supported me through the High Flyers Programme and I feel it took a close interest in my academic progress and achievements. I have benefitted from being a scholar at Badminton because it has motivated me to work hard and try to live up the high standards expected of scholars."

Bea, Year 7



"I applied for the Scholarship when I was studying Year 8. Art is my favourite subject and I have a strong passion and interest in creative art and drawing. The award of an Art Scholarship is a recognition of my capability and potential in creative arts. This award also became a motivation for me to excel in GCSE Art.

The School has provided a good infrastructure and learning platform, the teachers are inspiring and allow plenty of room for me to create and explore. Illustrator Korky Paul visited Badminton School and the Art Scholars were given a chance to have lunch with him and to share his drawing experience and technique.

I am thankful for the support given by the School. I have been motivated to draw more in my spare time, as to prepare myself for my Art GCSE and also practice some of the drawing techniques. In the Photography Club available to us I also got the chance to learn some photography and to use Photoshop skills which is very useful for the future."

Isabel, Year 9







#### ART SCHOLARSHIP

Art Scholars at Badminton are a diverse and talented group of pupils with a real passion for their craft. They relish the opportunity to be experimental and to take risks in order to maximise their creative output. Art Scholars excel in a wide variety of areas and these can include, for example, drawing, painting, fashion design, 3D dimensional work or photography. A key part of being an Art Scholar is the expectation of making a significant contribution to the life of the Art Department and a willingness to achieve maximum artistic impact around School and at School exhibitions.

## MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

A Badminton Music Scholar once said that "Music is the soul of Badminton. It is like an undercurrent that runs through us all here" and how true that is!

Our Music Scholars ooze talent, passion and expertise in a huge range of instruments and voice and are committed to promoting Music as the lifeblood of the School. Scholars are expected to play a significant role in musical events throughout the year in a variety of ways, such as performing, conducting or helping in the running of a Music event.

They are passionate about the importance of Music and work to ensure that it plays a key role in the life of the School.







"I applied for my Music Scholarship because I am passionate about music and wanted to contribute as much as possible to Badminton's Music Department. My scholarship has given me many performance opportunities as well as giving me more confidence when performing or speaking in front of people. The skills which I have gained from these experiences will help me be more confident and present myself well when talking in groups or to future employers.

The School has supported me by giving me advice and extra help whenever I've needed it. This scholarship has given me the opportunity to have responsibility and to be treated like a young adult. Being a scholar has also given me the opportunity to work with the younger years and to get more involved in school life which I previously would not have been able to do if I were not a scholar."

Sylvia, Lower Sixth



"I applied for this scholarship because I am really interested in Sports and I wanted the opportunity to represent my school as an ambassador for sport. Having the Sports Scholarship has enabled me to attend a training day at Hartpury College where I had fitness tests to asses my areas of weakness.

With our new Sports Centre now built this will enable me to train with my netball club in school, helping me balance my schoolwork with sport. The School has allowed me flexibility regards my athletics training after School. The PE Department have also been a huge source of support and encouragement throughout my time at Badminton.

I have benefitted from being a scholar because I am given fantastic opportunities such as the connection with Hartpury College to develop my knowledge and skills as a sports person."

Bethan, Year 9



## SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

Sport goes from strength to strength at Badminton and our Sports Scholars are central to the promotion of Sport at the School. Whilst our brand new Sports Centre shows our commitment to the promotion of Sport at Badminton, our Scholars act as our sporting ambassadors. Not only do they act as role models to other pupils, but they also display high levels of fitness and achievement in Sport at a competitive level, alongside exemplary conduct during training and competition. Sports Scholars display talent as all-round sportswomen or within a specialist field and can be relied upon to be at the very heart of sporting life at the School.





### STEM SCHOLARSHIP

STEM Scholars at Badminton play a key role in a STEM Faculty bursting with opportunities, talent and excitement. STEM at Badminton reaches far beyond the confines of the classroom and the Faculty has close links with outside associations such as the Institute of Physics, links with local industries such as British Aerospace and Rolls Royce and it also has a strong Science Outreach programme in which pupils take Science to a wider audience. STEM Scholars play a key role in this and display evidence of high ability in their STEM subjects. Not only do we expect STEM Scholars to excel academically, but also to be committed to participating and leading on the School's wider scientific links with organisations and industry. To be a STEM Scholar at Badminton really is to be part of a pioneering STEM programme.







"Having a STEM scholarship has enabled me to participate in science activities that go on in and out of School. I have recently participated in the engineering GO4SET project at Airbus and that gave me the opportunity to learn more about engineering and science, and also to receive a certificate, that I will be able to take with me to university.

Being a STEM scholar has stretched me throughout the year. Having a STEM Scholarship means that you have to do your best and work very hard. Sometimes it can be a challenge to maintain good grades in science, but having a scholarship encourages you to give your all and participate in many different things."

Jessica, Year 9





#### ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

#### All-Rounder Scholarship

Our All-Rounder Scholarship is aimed at those pupils who are able to show that they excel in a wide range of different areas; from Sciences, Creative Arts, Music, Languages, Humanities and Sport. Their achievements can be in School or out of School, but All-Rounders are able to demonstrate success in diverse range of activities. In School, All-Rounders act as role models to other pupils and are notable not only by their accomplishments, but also by their willingness to lead and participate in events which range widely across the life of the School. In many respects, they are Badminton's 'ambassadors' and will always act to support the School in the promotion of excellence in all that we do.

#### South West Regional Award

The South West Regional Award is a Headmistress's discretionary award and may be awarded to girls who attend a school in the UK and live in the South West or Wales regions. The South West Regional Award is available to boarders and day pupils alike (although Boarding applications for the South West Regional Awards will not be considered for families living in the city of Bristol). It will usually be offered to a girl joining Year 9, but in exceptional circumstances may be awarded to an entrant at another stage. It will be offered to girls who will bring something special to Badminton and for whom a Badminton education will "make a difference".

This award is not expected to be awarded solely on academic merit (although this will inevitably play a part in any successful application), but will enable the School to recognise a wider range of achievement or potential.

#### Sixth Form Day Girl Award

We are delighted to offer applicants from Bristol and the surrounding areas who are applying from state secondary schools into Badminton Sixth Form, as a Day Girl, the opportunity of an award. This award will be given to students whose application and entrance assessments indicate that they would benefit from the opportunities at Badminton.

#### Who to contact

Application forms and details of assessment pathways for all Scholarships and Awards are available from:

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