



McAuley Scholarship Programme Sports Scholarship Information and Application Form Years 7 and 9

Sports Scholarship £300 Annual Award

OLA offers Sports Scholarship awards in order to help recognize and nurture sporting excellence, achievement and potential.

Our Sports Scholarship awards are open to pupils from any school. We are looking for pupils who meet the normal academic requirements of the school but who also demonstrate an aptitude and passion for sports.

Sports scholars will not be required to take A-Level PE. The award will remain in place until the end of Year 11 subject to the award-holder's involvement in the sporting life of the school. Existing holders will have the opportunity to apply for a Sports Scholarship for OLA 6th, applications are made in the Michaelmas Term of the preceding academic year.

Sports at OLA

OLA offers an extensive programme of sports that encourages pupils to excel in their chosen disciplines. In recent years OLA alumni have included an international athlete, a tennis player and a county cricketer. Netball, badminton and swimming are other sports in which OLA pupils have excelled in regional and national competitions.

Expectations

Candidates will be expected to be willing to participate and pursue sports with dedication and passion while making a significant extra-curricular commitment in range of areas associated with sports. They will be expected to be ambassadors for the subject, encouraging and inspiring other pupils. Sports Scholars will not be required to take PE at GCSE.

Circuits and Interviews

The awards will be made as a result of a 40 minute circuit and interview session. The candidate will complete a generic skills and various fitness based circuit lasting about 20-30 minutes. The circuit will be designed to test various components of fitness of the candidate (flexibility/balance/co-ordination, muscular and cardiovascular endurance), whilst also establishing a base line of their skill level with regard to passing and receiving various objects that represent some of the sports that we cover at OLA.



The candidate will then have a relaxed interview with the relevant Head of PE and other members of the Department as necessary. Candidates will need to demonstrate that they have high standards in at least two different sports covered at OLA.

Application Procedure

Candidates must apply through the Admissions Office. Please submit the scholarship application form to the Admissions Office.

Please include with your application:

- Your latest school report (external candidates only)

The closing date for applications is Monday 18 October 2021

Interviews will be held on Friday 5 November 2021

The Heads of Boys' PE, Mr Allen, and of Girls' PE, Mrs Barnett; are pleased to meet candidates informally at any stage and to answer any questions. Please call the Admissions Office if you would like to arrange this.



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Sports Scholarship Application Form
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To be completed by parent

I would like my son/daughter to be considered for a Year 7 or 9 Sports Scholarship

Please tick Year 7 Year 9

Surname _____ Forename _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____

Current School (if external candidate) _____

Home Address _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Telephone Number _____

Parent Email _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Declaration of Support by Head of PE*

I am happy to support this application and recommend this student for your consideration as a Sports Scholar. *The Head of PE will be asked to provide a reference.

Head of PE Name _____

Head of PE Signature _____ Date _____

I attach (please tick) My latest school report (external candidates only)

