

Academic Scholarship

11+ Application Process:

If you are an external candidate, you do not need to apply for an Academic Scholarship, as all applicants sitting the required 11+ entrance examination will be considered for this award.

If you are a parent with a daughter moving from LEH Junior School to Senior School, you will receive a letter in the autumn term of Upper II asking if your daughter wishes to apply for an Academic Scholarship. If so, your daughter will be required to sit the 11+ entrance exam alongside external candidates.

16+ Application Process:

If you are an external candidate, you do not need to apply for an Academic Scholarship as all applicants sitting the required 16+ entrance examination will be considered for this award.

If you are a parent of an existing LEH girl moving into the Sixth Form, you will receive a letter from Mrs Hanbury in the autumn term of UV asking if your daughter wishes to apply for any of the Sixth Form scholarships. If you would like your daughter to be considered for an Academic Scholarship, you should complete and return the Sixth Form Scholarships form by the given deadline.

Open to:

Entry into the Third Form (Year 7): All 11+ applicants are considered for this award. A Scholarship applicant must perform outstandingly well in the entrance assessments and will then be interviewed alongside other prospective pupils.

Entry into the Sixth Form (16+): If you are an internal applicant (an LEH student in UV) you will sit English and Maths papers alongside one subject paper of your choosing. If you are an external applicant, you will be considered for an award on the basis of your results in the 16+ entrance assessment papers.

What happens on the day?

There is no separate academic scholarship examination. All candidates who apply to join the school at 11+ and 16+ and complete the examinations on the defined examination day will be considered for an academic scholarship. All candidates being considered for a place at LEH will be invited back to attend an interview. Candidates will not be informed if their interview is considering their suitability for an academic scholarship and such interviews follow a similar format to those for all candidates being considered for a place at the School.



Expectations of an Academic Scholar:

Given the academically selective nature of the school, we expect all students to show intellectual curiosity. We are looking for someone who has a very inquisitive mind and well-developed independence of thought. These are the kind of things which will be looked for during interview.

We expect all academic scholars to continue to exhibit the qualities which they demonstrated at interview. Whilst there is no expectation of a certain standard of outcome and performance under examination, we expect scholars to achieve effort grades above the average for the school. This requires a high level of focus and active participation in lessons. In addition, they should show interest beyond the classroom, including attendance of lectures and academic clubs and a willingness to enter into school competitions such as the Martindale Essay competition and national competitions.

"The 42" is an intellectual club for high performing students who are academic scholars and any other interested girls. The club meets on a regular basis and aims to stimulate and stretch students, through thinking and discussing across a variety of topics which are not covered in the curriculum.

It is envisaged that these high expectations will not be a burden to the scholars since they will take these in their stride and really enjoy the intellectual challenge as they progress through the school.