



CATERHAM
SCHOOL

Internal Scholarships

A guide for parents



A Guide to the Award of Scholarships to Internal Candidates

The vast majority of scholarship awards are made prior to entry to the School. Information regarding these awards is available in a separate booklet.

The School makes awards to external candidates based on assessment of performance in open competition. This is deemed to be the fairest and most consistent method. We do accept, however, that this method can only provide a snapshot of a candidate's abilities and their performance "on the day" may, for a multitude of reasons, not reflect their true ability. There may be occasions, therefore, when a candidate whose talents merit an award does not receive one.

The School seeks to address any obvious injustices through the award of Honorary and Sixth Form Scholarships.

First to Fourth Year

Honorary Scholarships

Honorary Scholarships are available to pupils in the following areas: Academic, Sport, Music, Drama, Art and Design and Performing Arts. Up to a maximum of 12 of these awards are available each year. Nominations for awards are sent to the Headmaster at least two weeks prior to the end of the academic year by the relevant Head of Department/Year:

Academic (Head of Year)

Sport (Director of Sport)

Music (Director of Music)

Drama (Head of Drama)

Performing Arts (Heads of Music, Drama and Dance in consultation)

Art and Design (Heads of Art and 3D Design)

Pupils nominated for the award should have shown themselves to have exceeded the standard expected of scholars and are thus worthy of an award. These pupils will be given an **Honorary Scholarship** to recognise their talents and achievements. The award comes with a small financial remuneration of £150 p.a.

Notes:

- Awards are only made to pupils who do not already have a scholarship in the named area (e.g. a sports scholar cannot receive an Honorary Sports Scholarship).
- Honorary Academic Scholarships are likely to be awarded based largely on performance in summer examinations.
- Pupils holding a Drama or Music Scholarship may be given an Honorary Performing Arts Scholarship, but this **does not come with any financial remission**.
- Pupils holding a Performing Arts Scholarship may not be awarded additional Honorary Music or Drama scholarships.
- Pupils and parents need not, indeed should not, apply for these awards. They are made solely at the discretion of the member of staff responsible.
- Department and Year Heads should make the recommendations based upon observed performance at or for School and should not require additional assessment.

Sixth Form

Honorary Sixth Form Scholarships

Honorary Sixth Form Scholarships are awarded to Fifth Year pupils who perform at an outstanding level at GCSE. Currently, an Honorary Sixth Form Scholarship is awarded to any pupil who achieves a minimum of 8 A*s, or equivalent, at GCSE. They are available to all pupils. In addition to receiving the title of Honorary Sixth Form Scholar of Caterham School, the award comes with a small financial remuneration of £100. Pupils and parents need not apply for these scholarships. These awards will be made in August following the publication of GCSE results.

Sixth Form Academic Scholarships

A small number of these are awarded each year to pupils in the Fifth Year on the basis of truly exceptional GCSE performance. Pupils and parents need not apply for these scholarships. These awards will be made in August following the publication of GCSE results.

Awards may be up to 15% of the tuition fees. In exceptional circumstances, and entirely at the Headmaster's discretion, awards may exceed these amounts.

Sport, Music, Drama, Art and Design and Performing Arts Sixth Form Scholarships

These awards are made to pupils in the Fifth Year and awards are based on observed performance during a pupil's time at the School. They should have shown themselves to meet or exceed the standards expected of a scholar and to have been committed to department activities. Nominations are sent to the Headmaster by May half-term.

Awards may be up to 10% of the tuition fees. In exceptional circumstances, and entirely at the Headmaster's discretion, awards may exceed these amounts.

Notes:

- Pupils holding a Drama or Music Scholarship may be awarded a Performing Arts Scholarship but this would replace their original award.
- Pupils holding a Performing Arts Scholarship may not be awarded additional Music or Drama scholarships.
- Pupils and parents need not, indeed should not, apply for these awards. They are made solely at the discretion of the member of staff responsible.
- Department and Year Heads make the recommendations based upon observed performance at or for School and should not require additional assessment.

