



Sixth Form Sport Scholarship 2018

Sports Scholarships are offered for entry at Sixth Form, awards are based on current termly day fees and range from Minor: 5% to Major: 10%. Exhibitions may be awarded to candidates who show promise but do not meet the full standards required. Exhibitioners will be offered the same programme as scholars but with no financial award.

Award holders are expected to maintain a high level of fitness and take part in sports activities with total commitment and enthusiasm. They are expected to attend practices and matches throughout the year and to be a role model for younger students at Leweston. Equestrian scholars are expected to compete on behalf of the school at relevant events throughout the year, they are required to liaise closely with the Equestrian Team Manager about competitions and training and ensure they keep a concise training and competition diary.

Award holders will be allocated a mentor with whom they will work with on a regular basis in order to create the best possible platform for them to pursue their sporting goals. In addition to this they will have the opportunity to participate in specialist coaching opportunities and training programmes. Although it is extremely unusual for an award to be removed, a significant decline in commitment to the Department or performance would bring into question its continuance.

Assessment

Leweston has an active and successful Sports Department and a strong sporting tradition with pupils competing at County, Regional and International level in a variety of sports. Candidates should be of County standard or above in at least one of the major sports offered in the school. The major sports are: hockey, netball, cross-country, tennis, athletics and swimming.

Candidates will be assessed by members of the Department in their chosen sport(s) and will be expected to show excellence and flexibility in performance and, where appropriate, will compete against or with existing students.



Equestrian candidates are expected to be a Pony Club or Riding Club Member or competing BE, BD, BS or NSEA.

Equestrian candidates must provide video footage or online assessment (minimum of 6 minutes) showing competition or training in preferably more than one discipline. All candidates will have an interview with members of the Department, the Equestrian Team Manager (if appropriate) and the Director of Sport. They should be conversant with rules, tactics and training schedules for their sports and familiar with topics of debate in the world of sport.

As part of the application process candidates should submit a written record of their sporting achievements to date and positions of sporting responsibility held throughout their time at school. They should also provide two written references with their application. Equestrian candidates must provide a letter to support their application from a current trainer, instructor, mentor or Pony Club DC.

Candidates should bring all their own kit and equipment for the day.

All scholarship candidates will have an interview with the Head, Mrs Reynolds, and complete Leweston's standard assessment tests of verbal, numerical and perceptual reasoning. The School will request a confidential report from the Head of the candidate's present school.

The Application Process

All prospective families are welcome to visit the School for an individual tour with a pupil and to meet the Head, Mrs Reynolds, and other members of staff. Prospective pupils are encouraged to experience the School 'in action', for a 'taster day'.

All scholarship candidates must be registered to pursue an application, the registration fee is £100. If an offer of a scholarship is made it must be accepted in writing and accompanied by a £500 deposit which will be returned to you when your child leaves the School. Regrettably, this deposit is non-refundable should you later decide not to take up the place.

Registration and scholarship application forms can be obtained from the Admissions Team on 01963 211010 or via email: admissions@leweston.dorset.sch.uk. The Registrars will be more than happy to answer your questions at any time.

Dates for the Diary

Whole School Open Afternoon	Friday 6 October 2017 1.30pm
Sixth Form Introduction Evening	Friday 6 October 5.30pm
Deadline for Scholarship applications	Monday 30 October 2017
Sixth Form Taster Day	Friday 3 November 2017
Scholarship Assessment Days	Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 November 2017