



Academic Scholarship 2018

Academic Scholarships are offered for 11+ and 13+ entry. Scholarship awards are based on current termly day fees and range from Minor: 10% to Major: 20%. 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. Awards are valid up to the end of GCSE and can be reapplied for on entry into the Sixth Form.

Award holders are expected to participate in relevant seminars, discussions and societies as well as attend Leweston Lectures. They are part of the Gifted and Talented programme including weekly 'Rhetoric' sessions, join regular TED talks and deliver presentations at various symposia. They are expected to achieve high academic standards. Although it is extremely unusual for an award to be removed, a significant decline in commitment or performance would bring into question its continuance.

Assessment

All candidates complete Leweston's standard assessment tests in verbal, numerical and perceptual reasoning. In addition they must offer papers in **two** of the following subjects:

- Latin*
- English Literature
- Humanities (History or Geography)
- Mathematics
- Modern Languages*
 – open to non-native speakers only
- Religious Studies
- Science

^{*} candidates choosing Latin and/or Modern Languages should indicate the number of years they have been studying so that the level of difficulty of the paper fairly tests their achievement.



Where the candidate nominates a modern foreign language, an appropriate oral examination will be set as well as a written paper.

Candidates should choose subjects in which they are most likely to perform exceptionally well. In all cases a wide choice of questions will be available so that candidates can show the extent of their own knowledge, understanding and interest as well as their ability to research. No papers require significant quantities of revision.

Scholarship day will also include an interview with the Head, Mrs Reynolds, and a short presentation (approximately 5 minutes) on an academic subject of choice to the Deputy Head Academic and relevant Heads of Department. Candidates should be adequately prepared to take questions.

The School will request a confidential report from the Head of the candidate's present school.

Academic candidates may also enter for **one** of the other scholarships on offer. This must be discussed this with the Deputy Head Academic, Mr Smith, prior to application.

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
Deadline for Scholarship applications	Monday 8 January 2018
Scholarship Assessment Days	Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 January 2018