



11+ Academic Scholarship

What are we looking for in a scholar?

Academic scholars will be able to display a consistently positive attitude to their work. They should relish the opportunity to contribute to, and take advantage of, the academic life of the School.

Academic scholars will display:

- their enthusiasm for academic discussion
- their ability to reason
- their willingness to reflect on how they learn
- their potential to contribute to the academic life of the School

What does a scholar enjoy?

Academic scholars will be mentored by a member of the Senior Management Team who will formally meet with them at the beginning and end of Year 7 - 8. In advance of this meeting and to inform discussion the scholars will be asked to reflect on their learning and extra-curricular academic activities.

Each academic scholar will be invited to at least two Thinking Suppers, one at Abingdon School and one at St Helen's over the course of Year 7 and 8. Academic scholars from both schools meet for Thinking Suppers to discuss unseen sources related to a particular curriculum area.

Expectations of a scholar

Academic scholars are expected to:

- display their commitment to learning across the curriculum
- engage with the academic extra-curricular opportunities available in School and those offered outside School

Mentors will discuss these expectations with each scholar and monitor their academic performance with a particular focus on their effort grades.

Selection and assessment procedure

Academic scholarships are awarded to both internal and external candidates based on their performance in the Year 7 entrance assessments in January. Successful candidates are informed in their Year 7 offer letter. Year 6 students are informed by letter from the Headmistress.

Details of the Scholarship Programme are available in the Scholarships section of the school website www.shsk.org.uk.