

Packwood Haugh Scholarship Booklet













Introduction

Packwood offers a small number of Academic and All Rounder Scholarships to pupils entering the school in Years 3-6 (including those coming from Packwood Acorns). External pupils entering in Year 7 can apply for Academic, Sport, Art / DT, Music and All Rounder Scholarships.

The value of any award tends to be up to 20%, although this can be enhanced by means testing through our bursaries policy.

Scholarships are awarded both on current ability and potential.

It is the expectation that all Packwood Scholars will contribute actively to life at Packwood and will be leaders in their chosen areas.



Scholarship Entry to Years 3 and 4

Children looking to gain a scholarship for entry to Packwood in Year 3 or 4 will take part in a morning comprising academic assessments as well as an opportunity to take part in all rounder assessments / activities.

Academic Assessment

- English / Maths standardised test
- Reading test
- A short interview with the Headmaster or senior teacher

It is the expectation that Academic Scholars will be curious learners who contribute positively and actively to academic life at Packwood.

All Rounder Assessments

Candidates will take part in the academic assessments explained above as well as taking part in up to two of the following:

Sport

This will include activities focusing on fitness, speed, agility, stamina and coordination.

Successful candidates would be expected to be committed to school sport as well as show leadership in this area.

Music

At Year 3, we recognise that not all children may have had the opportunity to learn an instrument. However, we would expect that an all rounder candidate would anticipate starting lessons in at least one instrument at Packwood, including an orchestral or band instrument which could potentially be played in a school ensemble. Candidates should have ideas about what they would like to learn and why.

Candidates would take part in a 10 minute audition including:

- Playing or singing at least one prepared piece where possible.
- Aural tests at Grade I level including singing, clapping and listening.
- A short interview to discuss the candidate's musical interests and previous experience of listening to or participating in music.

Scholarships are awarded on potential, as well as current ability. Successful candidates would be expected to learn at least one instrument at school, show commitment to this, and be prepared to take part in a weekly ensemble.

DT

Candidates will have the opportunity to design an idea for a project introduced on the day.

Art

Candidates will need to bring two pieces of artwork to discuss as well as taking part in a practical drawing exercise.

Drama

Candidates will take part in a drama exercise involving role play.

Scholarship Entry to Years 5 and 6

Children looking to gain a scholarship for entry to Packwood in Year 5 or 6 will take part in a morning comprising academic assessments as well as an opportunity to take part in all rounder assessments / activities. It is an expectation that Packwood Scholars will aspire to scholarship entry for their chosen senior school.

Academic Assessment

- English / Maths standardised test
- Writing exercise
- A short interview with the Headmaster or senior teacher

It is the expectation that Academic Scholars will be curious learners who contribute positively and actively to academic life at Packwood.

All Rounder Assessments

Candidates will take part in the academic assessments explained above as well as taking part in up to two of the following:

Sport

This will include activities focusing on fitness, speed, agility, stamina and coordination. Candidates will also participate in a team sport session in one of our core sports. Core sports include football, rugby and cricket for boys and hockey, lacrosse, netball and cricket for girls.

Successful candidates would be expected to be committed to sport at Packwood as well as show leadership in this area.

Drama

Candidates will be asked to perform a short prepared drama piece (up to two minutes) as well as take part in a drama exercise involving role play.

Music

Candidates should offer one or two instruments (if two, one may be singing), having reached at least Grade I on the main instrument.

Candidates would take part in a 15 minute audition including:

- Performance of at least one piece the Director of Music is happy to act as accompanist.
- Sight reading test on first instrument.
- Aural tests at around Grade 2 level.
- A short interview to discuss musical interests, aspirations and any ensembles in which the candidate currently takes part.

Scholarships are awarded on potential as well as current ability. Successful candidates will be asked to play in either the Packwood Training Orchestra or Junior Wind Band, depending on their instrument, as well as one or more smaller, instrument-specific ensemble (eg, Flute Ensemble, Brass Ensemble). Candidates may also be invited to join the selective Boys' or Girls' Choirs, or Junior Chamber Choir.

It is expected that scholars will attend weekly instrumental lessons, preferably at school. They will be expected to show commitment towards all aspects of their music-making and will be helped and encouraged to work towards a Music or All-Rounder Scholarship at their chosen senior school.

DT

Candidates will have the opportunity to design a range of ideas for a project introduced on the day.

ART

Candidates will need to bring two pieces of artwork to discuss as well as taking part in a practical drawing exercise. They will be expected to show an interest in the world of Art.

Scholarship Entry to Year 7

Children looking to enter Packwood into Year 7 may sit scholarship assessments in the following areas:

- Academic
- Sport
- Music
- Art / DT
- Drama
- All Rounder

Academic

- English / Maths standardised test
- Writing test
- Maths Test
- A short interview with the Headmaster or senior teacher

It is the expectation that Academic Scholars will be curious learners who contribute positively and actively to academic life at Packwood. They will aspire to scholarship entry for their chosen senior school.

All Rounder

Candidates will take part in the academic assessments explained above as well as taking part in two of the following:

- Sport
- Music
- Art / DT
- Drama

Sports Scholarship - Year 7 Entry

Candidates for the Sports Scholarship should offer at least one core sport at representative level eg. county with another sport offered to a high level.

Core sports include football, rugby and cricket for boys and hockey, lacrosse, netball and cricket for girls. Additional sports for consideration include cross country, tennis, swimming, fencing, hockey (boys), and athletics.

The Scholarship assessment will include the following:

- Athleticism Assessment
- Skill Set Assessment in chosen sports
- Teamwork Assessment
- Short interview with the Director of Sport

It is the expectation that Sports Scholars will be committed to and actively promote sport at Packwood. They will show leadership on the sports field and aspire to scholarship entry for their chosen senior school.

The Director of Sport may also arrange an extra date when he can observe the candidate playing for his/her team.

Music Scholarships - Year 7 Entry

Candidates for the Music Scholarship should offer two instruments, which may include singing, one of which should be at around Grade 3 level or above.

The assessment will last up to 30 minutes and will include the following:

- Performance of one piece on each instrument the Director of Music is happy to act as accompanist if necessary.
- Sight reading test on first instrument.
- Aural tests at around Grade 3 level.
- A short interview to discuss the candidate's musical interests, aspirations and any ensembles in which they currently take part.

Scholarships are awarded on potential as well as current ability. Successful candidates will be asked to play in either the Packwood Chamber Orchestra or Big Band, depending on their instrument, as well as one or more smaller, instrument-specific ensembles eg, Flute Ensemble, Brass Ensemble. Candidates may also be invited to join the selective Boys' or Girls' Choirs.

It is expected that Music Scholars will attend weekly instrumental lessons, preferably at school. They will be expected to show commitment towards all aspects of their music-making and will be helped and encouraged to work towards a Music Scholarship at their chosen senior school.

Art Scholarships - Year 7 Entry

Candidates must have a genuine talent in art and be enthusiastic about Artists and their work. They must have excellent drawing skills which would involve excellent hand eye coordination. An active imagination and a willingness to take on creative aspects of Art are also essential.

The assessment will include:

- Candidates should bring a portfolio of work to discuss, including a variety of styles and different mediums (8-10 pieces).
- A short interview with the Head of Art to discuss the candidate's interests in Art, including well known artists and their work.
- A still life drawing exercise.

It is expected that successful candidates will show passion and commitment to Art at Packwood, attending extra sessions outside normal curriculum time. Art Scholars will be helped and encouraged to work towards an Art Scholarship at their chosen senior school.

DT Scholarships - Year 7 Entry

Candidates must have a genuine talent in DT and show enthusiasm for the subject. An active imagination and a willingness to take on creative aspects of DT are also essential.

The assessment will include:

- Candidates should bring a piece work or photographs of a project to discuss, including the design(s). This could be a piece created either in or outside school.
- A short interview with the Head of DT to discuss the candidate's interests and aspirations in DT.
- A DT exercise including design and drawing.

It is expected that successful candidates will show passion and commitment to DT at Packwood, attending extra sessions outside normal curriculum time. DT Scholars will be helped and encouraged to work towards a DT Scholarship at their chosen senior school.

Drama Scholarships - Year 7 Entry

Candidates must have a genuine talent in Drama and show enthusiasm for the subject.

The assessment will include:

- Candidates will be asked to perform a short prepared drama piece (up to two minutes).
- A drama exercise involving role play.

It is expected that successful candidates will show passion and commitment to Drama at Packwood, taking part in school productions and showing leadership in the field of Drama. Drama Scholars will be helped and encouraged to work towards a Drama Scholarship at their chosen senior school.