

A GUIDE TO  
Scholarships  
& Bursaries



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## Widening Opportunity, Recognising Excellence

Our Scholarships recognise and reward excellence and support young people who demonstrate exceptional ability and potential in academics, the arts, music and sport. We offer Scholarships at three different age groups: Year 7 / 11+, Year 9 / 13+ and Year 12 / 16+.

A Cranleigh School Scholarship personalises your child's education, tailoring their experience with us, stretching them in their chosen disciplines and giving them access to the very best we have to offer. A Scholarship award typically lasts for the duration of a pupil's time at Cranleigh and gives them a valuable advantage when applying for university or other places for further study and employment.

Choosing the right educational path for your child is one of the most significant decisions you'll make as a parent. We also understand that the financial commitment of an independent education can be a significant consideration. Scholarships can come with a financial award of up to 15% of a pupil's fees. The School offers a variety of bursaries, including Foundationer places which are for young people who have had a difficult start to life and would benefit from the nurturing environment at Cranleigh.

# The benefits of Scholarships

All Cranleigh Scholars receive:

- Mentoring from a dedicated staff member
- Regular reviews and feedback sessions
- Opportunities to mentor younger students
- Invitations to special events and workshops
- Access to specialised facilities and resources
- Extra care to maintain a healthy balance between study and other interests
- Flexible study arrangements and additional academic support, provided as needed
- Connections with Old Cranleighan alumni in relevant fields





## Academic

Academic Scholarships are prestigious awards that are not just about high grades; we want to identify young minds poised to engage deeply with their studies, contribute meaningfully to our scholarly community, and thrive in a challenging yet supportive academic environment.

Over the course of the Scholarship programme at Cranleigh we will offer a combination of the following:

- An academic mentor who will set clear, ambitious goals for intellectual growth, track progress, identify areas for enrichment and ensure everything remains personalised to the Scholar's evolving interests and strengths.
- An enriched curriculum that extends beyond the standard syllabus. For example, Year 9 Scholars attend two Scholars lessons a week.
- Opportunities for independent research projects, extended essays and participation in academic competitions.
- Opportunities to present research and ideas to peers, teachers and parents, developing confidence in public speaking and intellectual leadership.

## The Purvis Society

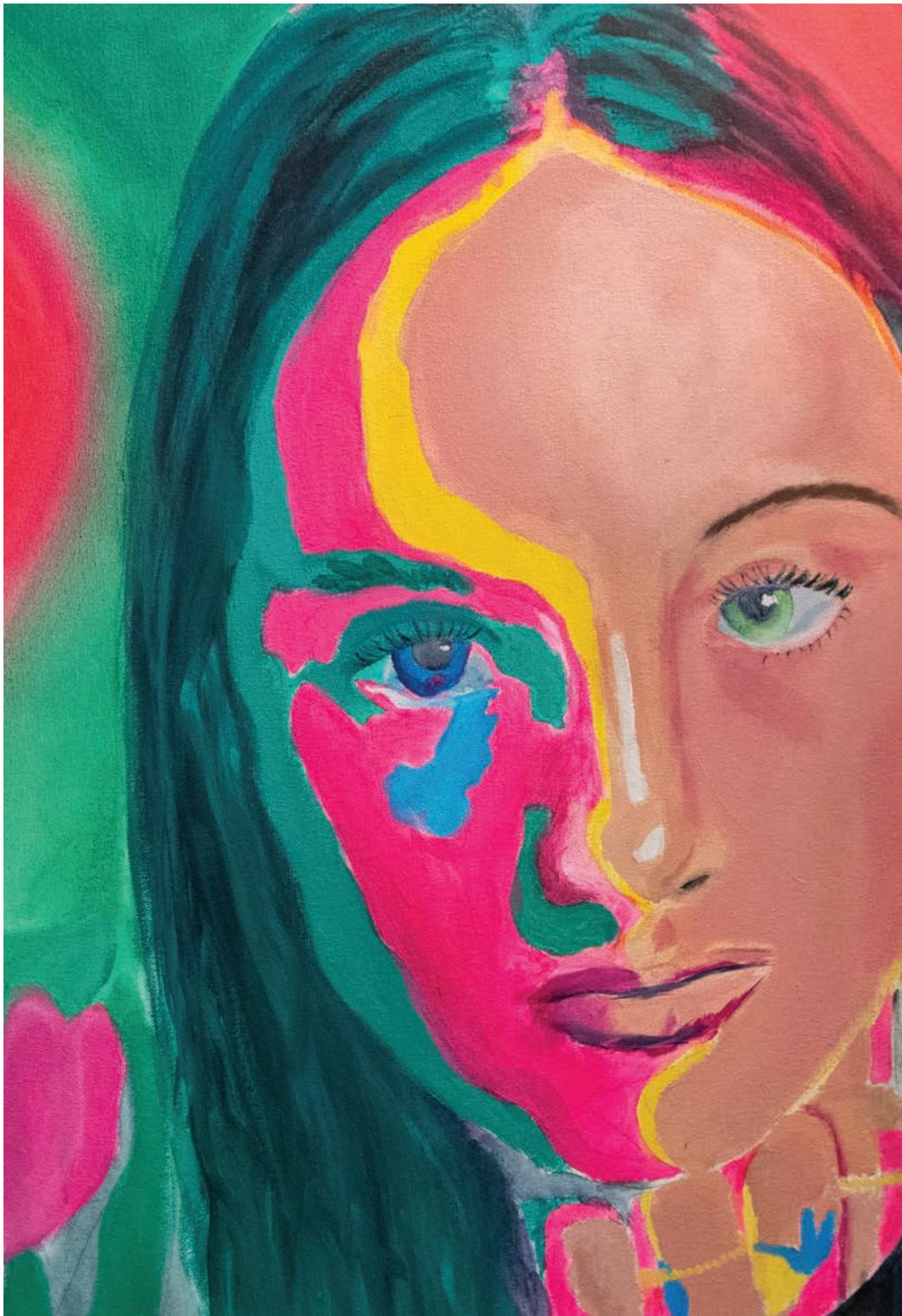
Pupils awarded an Academic Scholarship will automatically become members of our Scholars-only Purvis Society that meets regularly in both prep and senior schools from Year 7 onwards.

In Years 7-9, the Purvis Society meets weekly, with sessions designed to provide Scholars with a rich and varied intellectual experience. The focus of these meetings will change throughout the year, offering opportunities such as:

- Debates and formal discussions
- Analysis of current affairs
- Opportunities for collaboration and mentorship from older pupils within the society
- In Year 7-8, preparation for external competitions (e.g. UKMT Junior Maths Challenge, Townsend-Warner History Competition, Eureka Challenge). In the senior school, this support is offered via subject departments.

Scholars are also responsible for the Purvis Journal, our Scholars' magazine, that Scholars of all ages contribute articles to. Articles can be about any academic question that the Scholar finds interesting.





## Art, Design Engineering & Product Design

Scholars are well set up to achieve their artistic aspirations whilst developing critical thinking, originality, technical mastery, and a lifelong engagement with the creative world.

Over the course of the Scholarship programme at Cranleigh we will offer a combination of the following:

- Advanced workshops and masterclasses with visiting artists, designers and engineers.
- Portfolio development and presentation skills workshops, to help preparation for future artistic and academic pursuits.
- Opportunities to exhibit work within the school, at local galleries and potentially in national competitions.
- Involvement in school-wide creative projects, contributing to the visual identity of life at Cranleigh.

# Music, Drama & Performing Arts

Our Performing Arts Scholarships are designed to identify and celebrate students who exhibit exceptional ability and potential and passionate commitment in drama, music, dance or other performance disciplines. We provide a comprehensive, inspiring and personalised journey so that Scholars achieve their artistic aspirations whilst developing confidence, resilience, and a lifelong appreciation for the arts.

Over the course of the Scholarship programme at Cranleigh we will offer a combination of the following:

- A bespoke Individualised Artistic Development Plan. This plan will set clear, ambitious goals for artistic growth and technical mastery.
- Access to specialist instructors in acting, vocal coaching, instrumental tuition, and dance.
- Masterclasses with visiting professionals, and participation in advanced workshops.
- Prominent roles in school productions, concerts, and showcases, providing invaluable stage and performance experience.
- Opportunities to attend professional performances, fostering critical appreciation and inspiring their own artistic development.





## Sport

Our Sports Scholars High Performance Pathway Programme is meticulously designed for students who demonstrate exceptional potential and ability and a genuine passion for sport, whether as outstanding performers in a specific discipline or as highly promising all-round athletes. Whilst our traditional Scholarships are awarded in Cricket, Equestrian, Football, Golf, Hockey, Netball, Rugby and Swimming, we are open to discussions about other sports.

Over the course of the Scholarship programme at Cranleigh we will offer a combination of the following:

- One to one mentoring and coaching and clear, measurable goals across all aspects of athletic development.
- Personalised programmes for Scholars involved at regional, professional club, high performance club pathways or national level to support your dual commitments, so that Scholars can meet external demands while continuing to represent the school.
- A tailored strength and conditioning programme for every Scholar covering speed, power, endurance, agility and other elements, overseen by qualified professionals, to enhance physical attributes crucial for success and good health.
- Physical fitness testing with player centred conditioning progress provided.

# A healthy balance

We understand that the raised expectations and demands of Scholarship come with the need for additional support to make sure that Scholars maintain a healthy balance between academic studies and other interests. Extra care is given to Scholars and well-being is a priority. We offer flexible study arrangements and additional academic support will be provided as needed to ensure non-academic Scholars achieve their full potential in the classroom.

## OUR AIMS

To educate young people to be the best they can be so that they thrive in all aspects of their lives, professionally and personally.

To motivate a new generation of leaders who think globally, act with integrity and make courageous contributions to an ever-changing world.

To develop critical thinkers, creatives, communicators and characters who understand the importance of curiosity, generosity and humility.

Scholars are expected to model the School's values at all times:

**ASPIRE BOLDLY** by setting ambitious goals, embracing challenges and striving for excellence. And by demonstrating curiosity, creativity, and an appetite for problem-solving.

**BE YOURSELF** by acting with authenticity, self-awareness, and confidence. And by demonstrating resilience, integrity, and emotional intelligence.

**CARE FOR OTHERS** by practising kindness, empathy and service. And by demonstrating respect, compassion and collaboration.

## APPLICATION AND ASSESSMENT

### ACADEMIC

- 11+ (Year 7) January of Year 6. Assessment includes a general paper (evaluating logic, reasoning, creativity, data handling, and critical thinking), a group discussion, and an interview.
- 13+ (Year 9) February of Year 8. Assessment includes written papers in English, Maths, and a general skills paper, a group discussion, and an individual interview.
- 16+ (Year 12) October / November of Year 11. Assessment involves a range of video or in-person interviews with members of the Academic and Senior Management Teams.

### ART, DESIGN ENGINEERING & PRODUCT DESIGN

- 11+ (Year 7) January of Year 6. We would expect to see a portfolio which reflects impressive ability for someone of their age.
- 13+ (Year 9) January of Year 8. Assessment includes a half-day workshop, a portfolio review, a practical skills test, and an interview.
- 16+ (Year 12) October of Year 11. Assessment includes a half-day workshop, a portfolio review, a practical skills test, and an interview.

### DRAMA & PERFORMING ARTS

- 11+ (Year 7) January of Year 6. Assessment includes a prepared performance and a video portfolio of work.
- 13+ (Year 9) January of Year 8. Assessment includes a practical group workshop, a prepared piece, and an interview.
- 16+ (Year 12) October / November of Year 11. Assessment includes a prepared monologue, presentation and an interview.

### MUSIC

- 11+ (Year 7) January of Year 6. Assessment includes a performance and an interview.
- 13+ (Year 9) January of Year 8. Assessment includes two contrasting pieces and sight reading on candidates' first instrument, an aural skills test and an interview.
- 16+ (Year 12) October / November of Year 11. Assessment includes two contrasting pieces on candidates' main instrument, an aural skills test and an interview.

### SPORT

Prospective Sports Scholars in all three age groups will attend an assessment which may include a physical fitness test, sport-specific trials, assessments in teamwork, leadership and communication skills and an interview. 11+ assessments are held in January of Year 6. 13+ assessments happen in November of Year 8 and 16+ assessments occur during October and November in Year 11.

## Bursaries

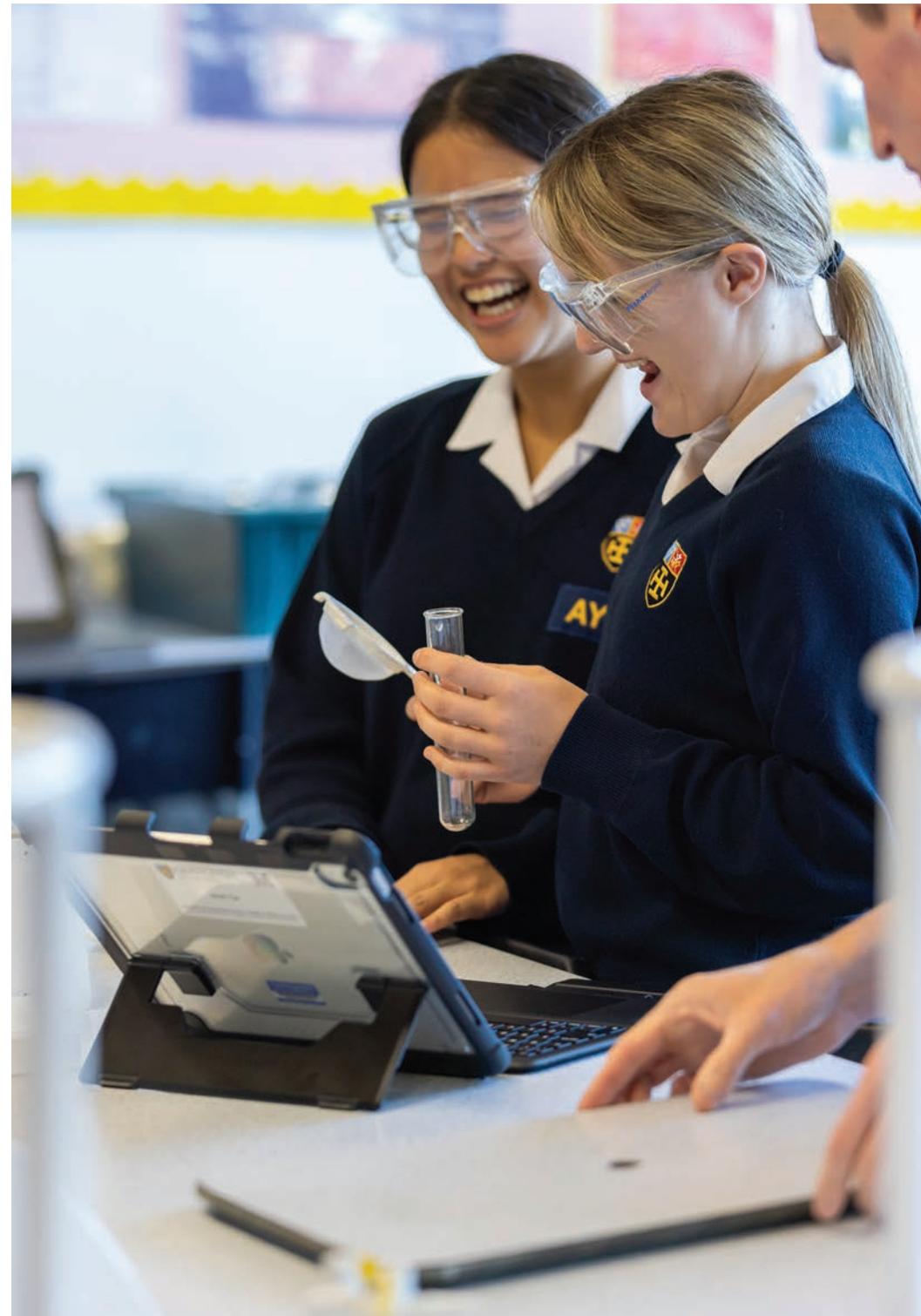
We believe that a truly exceptional education should be accessible to highly able students from all backgrounds. We are dedicated to fostering a diverse and inclusive environment where every student can thrive. Bursaries are our way of making sure that financial circumstances do not stand in the way of a Cranleigh education. These are means-tested financial awards that provide significant support towards school fees.

Bursaries are supported by the Cranleigh Foundation which funds places for young people who may face very challenging domestic circumstances. All applications are treated with the strictest confidentiality.

We welcome applications from families who genuinely require financial assistance and whose children meet our academic and admissions criteria. Bursaries are available for both prospective pupils and current pupils whose families have experienced a change in financial situation.

If you believe a Cranleigh education could transform your child's future, but financial concerns are a barrier, we encourage you to explore our bursary opportunities. Please contact the Admissions Department as early as possible for further information.

**Our phone number is 01483 276377 or you can email us at [admissions@cranleigh.org](mailto:admissions@cranleigh.org).**





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