



## THE CEDARS SCHOOL

### Music Scholarship Application

The Music Department at The Cedars School is the largest department with the Director of Music, a Teacher of Music and ten Visiting Music Teachers who all balance their teaching with fulfilling professional careers.

Opportunities for young musicians include performing to the pupils and their peers, taking part in the range of extra-curricular music making in the school, including chamber and choral activity, and representing the school at public events. In addition we have a Scholars' Ensemble and the scholars perform in concerts arranged especially for them at regular points during the school year. Musicians have plenty of performance opportunities including regular trips, residential and tours.

Music Scholarships at The Cedars School offer a discount off school fees and we also offer an Exhibitioner Award which entitles the award holder to free instrumental or vocal lessons on their main instrument. Additional awards may be made at the discretion of the school. For students entering at 11+, we would expect a minimum standard of grade 4 on their principle instrument or grade 3 if two instruments are offered. At 13+ Grade 5 is expected on their principal instrument. This is a guide only; the particular aptitude and musical experience of individual candidates are fully considered. Although high marks in Associated Board examinations are often good indications of musicianship, we shall also be looking for a thorough grounding in technique and for musical potential. If Associated Board examinations have been taken we look as favourably on high marks as the attainment of high grades.

The Director of Music is always available to offer advice should parents or schools wish to get in touch. An informal preliminary visit can be very helpful and can help establish whether a boy is likely to have a reasonable chance of success.

#### THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Candidates for Music Scholarships at The Cedars School will be auditioned, and awards are offered on merit alone. The audition will take between 15–20 minutes and no more than 10 minutes of music should be offered. Candidates will be required:

- to play at least one piece on their principal instrument;
- to perform on a second instrument / voice (if applicable);
- to read at sight on their principle instrument as appropriate to their technical standard;
- to do ear tests as appropriate to their technical standard.

Accompanists will be provided by The Cedars School. Candidates may bring their own accompanist but the Director of Music must be informed when the audition times are sent out.

#### CONDITIONS

As a condition of their awards, Music Scholars are required:

- to participate fully in musical activities appropriate to their talents and to meet the high standards of musicianship expected by The Cedars School;
- to have instrumental or vocal lessons from Visiting Music Teachers at The Cedars School;
- to attend Scholars' Ensemble which rehearses weekly;
- to attend and assist at all School concerts and musical events.



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The acceptance by parents or guardians of any award offered after the auditions constitutes their agreement to these conditions. Failure to meet these conditions could lead to an award being withdrawn.

Surname	First names
Address	
Telephone no.	Date of Birth
Present school	

Principal Instrument	Number of years tuition
Last music exam (if any)	Exam board
Experience and achievements	

Second Instrument	Number of years tuition
Last music exam (if any)	Exam board
Experience and achievements	
Membership of ensembles	
Vocal or choral experience	
Any other relevant information	

Signature

Date

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## Instrumental Teacher's Testimonial

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