



16+ Scholarships for September 2020 entry

16+ Academic Scholarships

These are open to candidates from other schools wishing to join Clifton College in the Sixth Form. In 2019 a number of Sixth Form academic awards may be offered to boys or girls aged not more than 17 on 1st September 2020.

Candidates for these awards are expected to be on course for at least six GCSEs at grade 7 in the new GCSE (or at least six A* or A grade passes at GCSE.) They will be assessed in their two most likely A Level subjects.

16+ Sport, Music, Art, Drama and Organ Scholarships

These are open to candidates from other schools wishing to join Clifton College in the Sixth Form. A limited number of awards are available for girls and boys who offer exceptional talent in these areas.

The Directors of Sport, Music, Drama and Head of Art are always happy to talk to prospective candidates. Practical assessment, auditions and interviews will, if possible, take place at the same time as the Academic Scholarships in November 2019 or March 2020.

In Sport, we are ideally looking for candidates who excel in two or more team sports, although excellence in individual sports may also be considered. The successful candidates will have Regional and/or International potential at senior school level and beyond.

In Music, candidates will be asked to perform two contrasting pieces on their main instrument which should be of about Grade 8 standard. They should also be able to perform well on a second instrument. Voice is acceptable as either instrument. In addition, candidates will sit a Music Theory assessment.

The Davie Art Scholarship is awarded to a Sixth Form pupil of outstanding artistic merit.

The Trevor Howard Drama Scholarship is awarded to a Sixth Form pupil of outstanding merit.

The Sir David Willcocks Organ Scholarship is open to pupils of at least Grade 7 standard who aspire to become an Organ Scholar at a top university or music college. They would be expected to take Music at A Level. Tuition in organ will be provided as well as lessons in a further instrument or voice. The level of this award is up to £5,000 a year with any additional funding being strictly means-tested. Open to all candidates.

16+ Drama Scholarship candidates will complete their Drama assessment/audition on the day they attend their interview.

The 16+ Drama Scholarship assessment will consist of a formal audition, which will take place either in our Avenue Studio, or in the Redgrave Theatre. This audition will assess their natural aptitude for acting, in addition to confidence and their current level of skill. Candidates will be asked to perform two monologues of no more than three minutes in length each, one of which must be from a Shakespeare play of their choice, and one which must be contrasting contemporary monologue. During the audition, candidates may be asked about their interpretations of their characters and monologues, and may be asked to stop and adapt their monologue in line with direction received. The monologues should allow the pupils to demonstrate their performance skills across two different styles or emotions.

Candidates will also have an interview with one of the Drama team. They will be asked to submit references and a personal statement.

Summary of assessment:

1. Performance of a Shakespeare monologue of their choice which does not exceed three minutes. Students will be asked about their interpretation of their character and monologue.
2. A contrasting, contemporary monologue of their own choice which does not exceed three minutes. Students may be stopped during their monologues and given some direction to incorporate into their performance.
3. Interview, references and personal statement.

Expectations of successful Drama Scholars:

Upon starting year 12, successful 16+ Drama scholars will be expected to study Drama at A Level, attend LAMDA sessions in order to prepare for LAMDA performance exams and audition for college productions. They will be regularly invited on trips within the department and would be expected to play an integral role within the Drama Department.

Closing and assessment dates for all Scholarship applications are:

Applications submitted by 4th November 2019 for assessment on 19th November 2019.

Applications submitted by 8th February 2020 for assessment on 3rd March 2020.

Application forms for all 16+ Scholarships may be obtained from:

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