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Dear Parents and Students,

Sixth Form Scholarships & Bursaries

I am pleased to notify parents and prospective Sixth Form students of the arrangements for the Sixth Form Scholarships and Bursaries from September 2021.

Scholarships

These can be awarded in three different categories; Academic, Music, and Sport. All Scholarships are tenable for two years but are subject to review at the end Year 12 (Lower Sixth Form). The Scholarships are open both external prospective candidates from other schools and existing Year 11 students of King Henry VIII School. There is no stipulated number of Scholarships that can be awarded in each category. Similarly, the fee remission granted to each Scholarship is not predetermined. The number of Scholarships granted depends upon the field of applicants and is limited by the resources allocated by the Governing Body of The Coventry Schools Foundation.

For the Academic Scholarships, an applicant should be capable of, and on course to achieve, at least grades 8 and 9 in all subjects at GCSE that are to be taken at A-level, as predicted by his/her school. Recipients will also be expected to have made a full contribution to the life of their school.

For the Music Scholarships, an applicant should be able to demonstrate that he/she has been widely involved in music-making both at school and perhaps in the community. The ability and enthusiasm to take a leading role in the musical activities of the school will be expected of successful candidates. The applicant must be capable of following the standard A-level courses offered at King Henry VIII, and Music as one of their subject choices at A level is preferred, although not essential.

For the Sports Scholarships, applicants must have the academic ability to succeed within the Sixth Form and must also be able to demonstrate a wide-ranging contribution to school sport. It is assumed that applicants will have much to contribute in two or more areas.

Application Procedure for Scholarships

Students who wish to be considered should first make a formal application for a place into Sixth Form for the coming September. At which point they are asked to apply by letter to the Headmaster. They should enclose a brief curriculum vitae which must include a list of GCSE subjects being studied, the results gained in the GCSE Mock examinations and intended A-level subjects. The letter and C.V. form an essential part of the selection process, following on from which a number of candidates will be called to interview.

In the case of a Music Scholarship, information about instruments played, grades achieved and orchestral and/or choral involvement is required. If invited to interview, Music Scholarship applicants should prepare two solo items, contrasting in nature, which will demonstrate their skills as a musician (an accompanist will be available). Applicants for a Sports Scholarship must detail their achievements to date, both inside and outside of school. Students may be considered for more than one type of award.

Applications should be addressed to Mr. P. Dearden, Headmaster and submitted **by 4.00pm on Monday, 8th February 2021.**

The standard of applicants is traditionally very high and candidates should be prepared for a demanding interview. The interviews will be conducted by myself, accompanied by another senior member of staff.

Interviews will be held during the weeks before Easter. Precise details of the interview arrangements will be confirmed to applicants by letter, after the February half-term holiday. Applicants will be notified of the results before the end of the Spring Term.

Bursaries

Parents who wish to submit a bursary application are asked to contact Mrs Tracey Pascall, School Business Manager designate, directly by email (pascallt@khviii.net). A Financial Assistance Form will then be issued. The completed form will be assessed on a 'means tested' basis.

Where students wish to join our Sixth Form but may be prevented from so doing because of financial restrictions, they are asked to contact the Headmaster directly, the sooner the better.

Yours sincerely,



Phillip Dearden
Headmaster