



Ibstock Place

CO-EDUCATIONAL DAY SCHOOL

Senior School Scholarships

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We are delighted that you are considering joining Ibstock Place School and hope that you will enjoy reading about the wonderful opportunities and challenges available to Ibstock Scholars.

All pupils at Ibstock are encouraged to develop their talents and interests through many different channels, benefiting from a supportive environment and top-class facilities. If you are particularly gifted in Sport, the Expressive Arts or academically, our comprehensive Scholarship programme will enable you to enhance your talents and skills, continuing to grow in confidence and ability.

Scholarships are a privilege awarded to pupils who have shown outstanding engagement and ability in their chosen field and who demonstrate the potential to build upon their achievements.



Esen Moursy
Head of Scholars



Sophie Gillen
Executive Director of
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Our Awards offer:

- an elite programme which will further develop your talents and skills, and encourage collaboration with other Scholars
- opportunities to showcase your achievements within and outside of the School community
- the chance to lead, mentor and inspire other pupils within your area of specialism
- a fee concession of up to 10% for Scholars and up to 5% for Exhibitioners*

Scholarships may sit alongside Bursaries for qualifying pupils. At its discretion, the school may also make honorific awards which allow their holder access to our programme, but which do not carry any allocated fee concession.

**Recipients of a Richard Hastie-Smith Award will be granted a 7.5% fee remittance (Scholarship) or 2.5% (Exhibition) and paid individual tuition at School on a nominated instrument (or voice)*



Scholarship at Ibstock

Each award will attract a wide range of different opportunities and expectations but below is a list of activities common to all awards.

Mentoring

A Staff Mentor will work with individual Scholars on their development and guide them towards internal and external opportunities such as lectures, competitions and trips.

Scholars' Journal

Throughout the course of their Scholarship journey, pupils will keep a digital journal reflecting on their activities, leadership and engagement with their areas of specialism within and outside of School. This will be regularly reviewed with their mentor.

Scholars' Exhibition

At the end of the academic year, Scholars will present their achievements at a showcase event.



Academic Scholarships

Awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding academic potential across our curriculum.

There is a range of Academic Scholarships:

Achieve Awards

Awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding academic potential.

STEM Awards

Awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding potential in all areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

Application Process

Achieve Awards

It is not possible to apply for an Achieve Award, all applicants shortlisted to the Stage Two Assessments will be automatically considered for an award based on their performance in the entrance examinations.

STEM

Applicants should indicate their intent to apply for a STEM Award on the scholarship application form. All aspiring STEM scholars will be invited to sit our STEM Award Examination. Scholarships will be awarded based on performance in this examination paper.



Pupils in receipt of Academic Scholarships will take part in a fulsome scholars programme which includes:

Opportunities

Academic scholars have taken part in projects which could lead to a CREST award. There have been trips to the Royal Institution. We also have a Senior Science Society who publish a journal called The Nucleus. Below is a list of the sort of activities that our Scholars have taken part in during the last academic year:

- UKMT Challenge Competitions
- Ritangle Maths Competition.
- Hans Woyda Competition
- Infinity Club
- Board Games Strategy Club

Expectations

Academic Scholars will be required to be present at Open Events in order to showcase their subject areas. They will be expected to represent the School in external competitions and to take a prominent role in delivering a part of the co-curriculum. This may include helping to deliver some sessions, proposing and running new clubs and societies, and supporting other pupils at subject clinics.

Innovation

Awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding potential in the fields of Computer Science, Fine Art, Debating or Design & Technology.

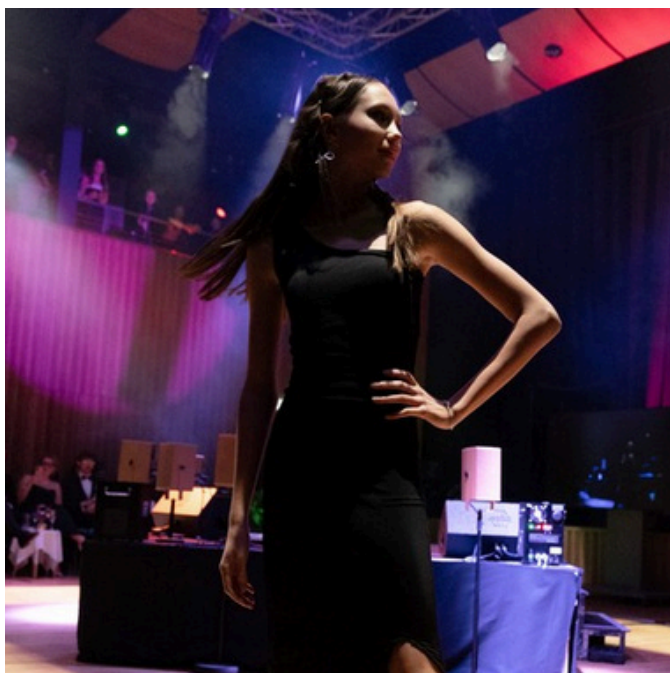
We offer a range of Innovation Scholarships:

Computer Science

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a summary outlining their interest and experience in computing and coding to date. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to an interview with the Head of Innovation. Where possible, they should bring examples of related projects that they have completed to the interview. The interview will last no longer than 30 minutes.

Fine Art

In addition to their scholarship application form, applicants are required to submit a five page digital portfolio in the format of a PowerPoint or PDF file, that should demonstrate the use of a variety of media such as drawing, printing, textiles, ceramics, and sculpture. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend a group workshop and an interview. They should bring with them their physical portfolio – images are acceptable where appropriate (for example, if sculptural pieces are too large to carry in).



Pupils in receipt of Innovation Scholarships will take part in a fulsome scholars programme which includes:

Opportunities

Most of our Scholars complete the Harvard CS50 course. Our Art Scholars play an instrumental role in running the Fashion Show and the Christmas Card competition. Our Debating Scholars compete in a range of national and international debating competitions.

Expectations

Innovation Scholars will play a leading role in the Innovation subjects across the whole School and will act as role models for other pupils by engaging in competitions and events. They will be expected to show leadership in delivering and innovating in the co-curriculum. They will be required to be present at Open Events, to represent the School and to showcase their subject areas. Scholars would normally be expected to take a GCSE in their area of specialism.



Innovation

Awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding potential in the fields of Computer Science, Fine Art, Debating or Design & Technology.

Design & Technology

In addition to their scholarship application form, applicants are required to submit a digital portfolio in the format of a PowerPoint or PDF file, that should illustrate a variety of different projects that the applicant has worked on. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to an interview with a member of the Design & Technology team.



Debating

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a summary outlining their involvement and experience with public speaking and debating to date (in school or out of it) as well as a list of their top five achievements at debating or public speaking competitions. Shortlisted applicants will be asked to attend an individual or group interview during which they may be asked to perform a (prepared) speech or participate in a debate. The interview will last no longer than 45 minutes.





Expressive Arts Awards

Awarded to those who, as part of the audition and interview process, demonstrate outstanding potential in either Dance, Drama or Music.

Pupils in receipt of an Expressive Arts Award will take part in a programme which includes:

Opportunities

Expressive Arts Scholars will have at least one dedicated trip per year, which they will have a part in designing. Scholars will participate in specialist workshops during the year which will employ external providers to work on areas of development. For example music scholars will work with Berkeley Ensemble, Drama Scholars will work with Frantic Assembly and Dance Scholars will work with English National Ballet.



Expectations

Expressive Arts Scholars will play a leading role in the Expressive Arts across the whole School and will act as role models for other pupils in terms of their commitment to performance, practice and preparation. It is likely that they will be involved in House Competitions, as well as in performances or community events. They will be expected to show leadership in delivering and innovating in the co-curriculum. They will be required to be present at Open Events, to represent the School and to showcase their subject areas. Scholars would normally be expected to take a GCSE in their area of specialism.

Expressive Arts Awards

Application Process

Drama

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a brief summary outlining their involvement and experience with Drama to date. Shortlisted applicants will be expected to participate in a practical workshop led by the Head of Drama and should be prepared to perform one monologue, no more than two minutes in length, which has been taken from a published full-length play. The audition will last no longer than two hours.

Dance

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a summary outlining their dance experience and qualifications. In addition, applicants should provide a recording of themselves dancing in any style. The recording should be no less than one minute and thirty seconds and no more than two minutes in length. (If any other children are visible in the recording, sufficient editing needs to take place to protect their identity.) Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a second stage in-person audition and interview with a member of the Dance department.

Music (Richard Hastie-Smith Award)

Scholarship applicants will be asked to provide a recording of themselves playing or singing either one piece on two instruments/voice, or two pieces on one instrument/voice, either as a solo performance or accompanied by a piano.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a second stage in-person audition. They should come prepared to perform a piece on each of their two main instruments and to sight read. There will also be an interview. The audition and interview should last no longer than half an hour.

11+ Scholars are expected to be working towards a Grade 5 standard or above in their chosen instrument (or voice), or Grade 4 standard across multiple instruments.





Impact Awards

Awarded to those who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to the local and wider community, and who have shown exceptional potential to work with the School to bring about positive change.

Opportunities

Impact Scholars will visit organisations with which they have helped foster links to view the impact of their contributions.

Application Process

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a summary of an initiative they have organised which helped their community. Applicants should focus on their role (even if it was within a group) and also explain what they learnt and achieved during the process. Supporting evidence can be submitted, if desired.



Expectations

Impact Scholars will be expected to take a proactive role in devising and running fundraising initiatives in the School:

- be a key member of Impact Club, and attend weekly and take part on our trips into the community
- to support the school's fundraising activities, by advertising these and encouraging peers to get involved, as well as creating new initiatives
- to contribute regularly to some of the School's communications, such as pupil-led newspapers or podcasts, showcasing new initiatives and outlining the School's activities in the local and wider community

Sports Excellence Awards

Awarded to those who have demonstrated potential for outstanding contributions to the majority of sports on offer at Ibstock Place School. Sports Excellence Scholars will have already competed to at least club standard.

Opportunities

Sports Scholars will play a key role in an extensive programme of fixtures against competitor schools and clubs. There will be opportunities to perform in state-of-the-art facilities through our links with external clubs. Scholars will be offered opportunities to visit professional sports grounds with accompanying masterclasses. They will also have the chance to take part in visits to universities where they may experience Sports Science labs.



Expectations

Scholars will be expected to represent the School in their chosen sport and in other sports where necessary. They will be required to avail themselves of the opportunities outlined in the programme above and will play an active role in inspiring other members of the School community by being positive role models and by attending Open Events.



Sports Excellence Awards

Extended programme

Sports Scholars will be given opportunities to develop their knowledge of sports nutrition, to be part of developing fitness programmes and will be invited to presentations given by a range of experts, including sports professionals and sports psychologists. Scholars will participate in high-quality weekly training sessions within their preferred sport, run by elite coaches. They will also have access to links with major clubs, who will support training provision. Scholars will take part in personalised strength and conditioning sessions run by external agencies on two mornings each week.



Application Process and Eligibility

On their scholarship application form, applicants should provide a summary outlining their involvement and experience with competitive sport. Experience should include performance to at least club standard within Ibstock's major games. Major games include football, netball, rugby, hockey and cricket. It is a significant advantage to be representing county, academy or equivalent standard within one or more of these sports. Applicants should clearly state the clubs that they represent in their applications.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited into school to participate in a range of sports, as well as a fitness profiling session. The assessment session may last up to four hours where candidates choose a minimum of two major games. Candidates that are club swimmers must also choose another two major games to be assessed in.









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