



Year 7 Sports Scholarships

Successful applicants will have access to a weekly athletic development session in curriculum time and mentoring from the Head of Athletic Development. Alongside this they will have access to performance workshops delivered throughout the year, by our performance partners Grey Matters UK. These sessions will cover topics including, but not limited to, sport psychology and nutrition. Please note these scholarships do not offer a remission in fees.

What we expect

Applications are encouraged from able young athletes of significant potential participating in the following sports: netball, cricket, hockey, rugby, rowing, gymnastics, athletics, tennis. Applications for other sports are also welcomed, but all applicants must already be on a County Talent Pathway (or the equivalent) or identified as outstanding in their chosen sport.

Sports scholar responsibilities:

- To attend compulsory sessions and bespoke specialist events, including representing BGS externally, as arranged.
- To make constructive use in school of the sporting values and skills developed through the programme.
- To take an active role in fixtures and training which take priority over external activities, except in the event of a clash through selection for representative teams at County level or above.

How to apply – Year 7

Candidates must sit and pass the Year 7 (11+) entrance exam week commencing 20 January 2025.

Candidates must submit a reference from a sports club supporting their application together with confirmation that the applicant is performing at a County, Regional or National competition level.

Successful candidates will be invited to a sports assessment at BGS, followed by an informal interview.

A personal statement of not more than 300 words written by the applicant when completing the online application form.

The deadline for applications for a Specialist Sports scholarship is 10 January 2025. Boys and girls who are selected to the sports scholarship assessments will be confirmed after the results of the entrance exam are released and parents will, at that stage, be informed by email.

The Sports Scholarship assessments for selected athletes will be held on **Wednesday 12 February at 9.15am**.

Successful candidates may be invited back for a second assessment and interview, Date to be confirmed.