

Scholarships

Up to twenty scholarships may be awarded on the results of the combined Scholarship and Entrance Examination. One scholarship may be an instrumental music scholarship and one may be an art scholarship provided a candidate also reaches an acceptable standard in the academic tests. Music Exhibitions may also be awarded. A Sports Exhibition is also offered; this may be shared between candidates. Scholarships are available for competition for all entrants to JAGS from primary and preparatory schools who are eleven years of age on 1 September of the year of entry. Under-age candidates can be accepted for examination, but only with the recommendation of their current head teacher.

The basic value of major scholarships is £1,000 p a: minor scholarships will be worth £500 p a. In cases of need, the value of these scholarships may be increased by means-testing on the same basis as our Bursaries. All scholarships will be continued until the holder leaves School, subject to satisfactory progress and conduct. Additional scholarships may be available on entry to the Sixth Form.

Bursaries

The School offers its own means-tested James Allen's Bursaries at 11+ and 16+ to girls who do well in the entrance examination. Up to 100% funding is available including help with uniform, lunches and travel costs for families whose income is at the appropriate level.

Entrance Procedures

11+ candidates should be registered before November 30 of the year preceding possible entry. The examination, which at present consists of papers in Verbal Reasoning, Mathematics and English, takes place in January. Places will be offered on the results of this, but in addition each girl is interviewed, usually in the Autumn term. However, when all the slots have been filled, they will be interviewed after the examination if they have done well enough in the papers. Information from the interview and a report from her primary school are important factors when considering a borderline candidate. The school must be notified in advance of any learning difficulties or disabilities or circumstances which might affect a candidate's performance in the examination so that special consideration can be given.

Entry at 13+ (casual vacancies only)

Procedures are the same as for 11+ except that interviews will be held only for those who have performed well in the examination. The examination at 13+ also includes a modern language paper.

Entry at 16+

Admission of girls to the Sixth Form is normally dependent on an Entrance Examination, GCSE results, recommendation from the previous school and on an interview. Applications should be made by the 31 October in the year preceding entry.

Registration Fees

A registration fee of £50 (£60 overseas) is payable on submission of the registration form.

Payment of Fees

The following is a summary only: full details may be found in the Standard Terms and Conditions.

1. The Acceptance Deposit

The Acceptance Deposit of £600 is payable when parents return the Acceptance Form to the School. This deposit will be repaid, less any outstanding charges, after the end of the final term. For pupils transferring from JAPS, the deposit will be retained and repaid as above. In this case, there is no separate Acceptance Deposit payable.

2. Fees by Direct Debit

Fees are normally paid by direct debit, either:

- in full on the first day of each term, or
- in three equal monthly instalments each term.

There is a 1% administration charge for using the monthly instalments scheme. The monthly instalment scheme is subject to regulation under the Consumer Credit Act 1974. Parents wishing to participate are subject to credit reference checks.

The termly bill giving details of all costs and charges and the amount to be collected by direct debit will be advised to you at least two weeks before the direct debit is made.

Should a monthly payment not be made by parents, then the full amount of the fees outstanding will become immediately payable, and arrangements for paying fees under the Monthly Payment of Fees Scheme will terminate immediately.

Termly Tuition Fees (from 1 September 2011)

Years 7-13	£4,520
Acceptance Deposit	£600

Withdrawal

A full term's notice of intention to withdraw a girl from the School must be given in writing to the Headmistress. Unless such notice is given, the payment of a term's fees in lieu of notice will be required.