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James Allen's Girls' School

11+ Scholarships

For entry in September 2026

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Academic Scholarships

All applicants are automatically eligible for consideration for an Academic Scholarship.

The strongest performing candidates from our entrance assessments will be invited to our **Academic Scholarship Assessment Day** on **Wednesday 28 January 2026**.

Up to twenty JAGS Academic Scholarships may be awarded each year.

Art, Music, and Sport Scholarships

In addition to our Academic Scholarships, we award scholarships in Art, Music and Sport.

How much is a scholarship worth?

Most scholarships are worth £2,000 per annum, which is deducted from school fees.

Music scholarships may also include an additional contribution towards individual music lessons.

The basic value of our scholarships will be made clear in our Scholarship Offer and this value will not increase (with the exception of additional music contributions, which may increase yearly to align with the cost of our music lessons).

All* JAGS Scholarships continue until the Scholar leaves the school, subject to satisfactory progress and conduct. *An Art Scholar who drops Art at GCSE or A level will lose their scholarship.

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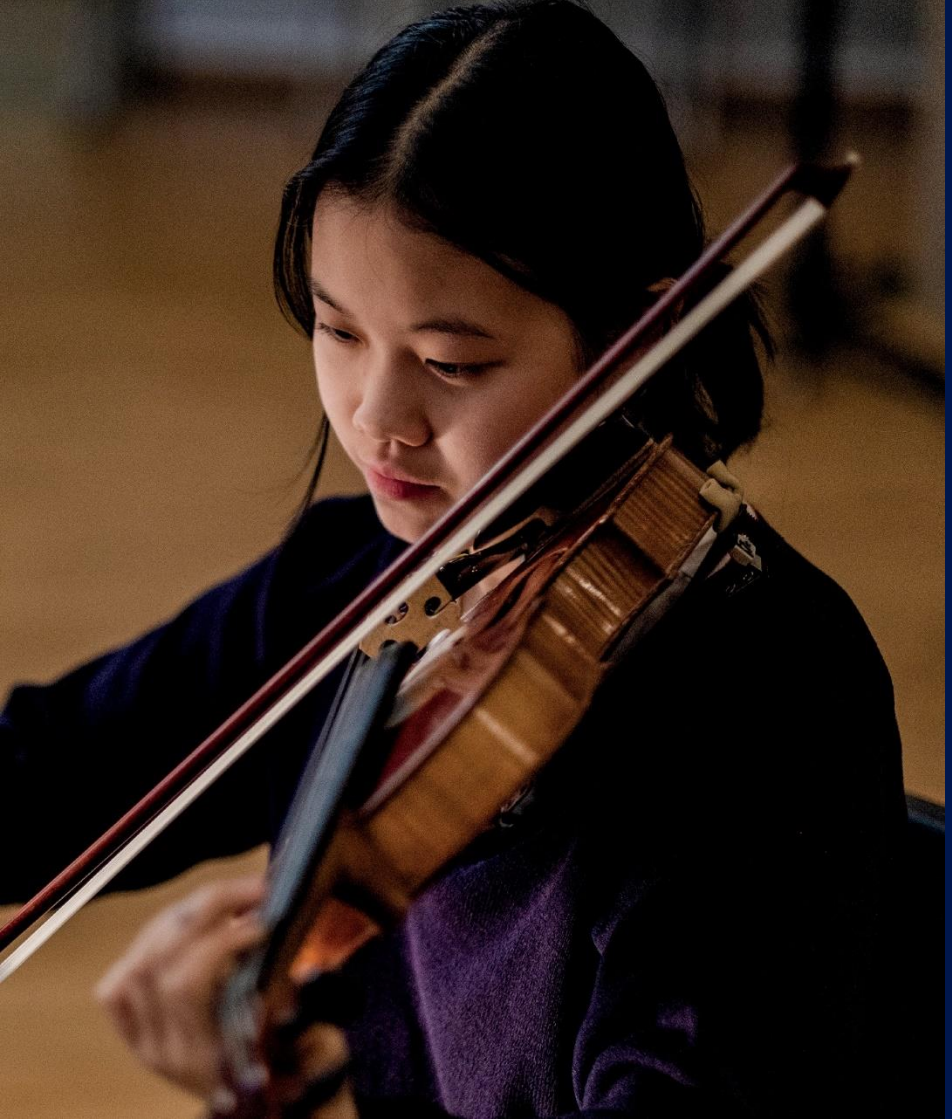
How do I apply for a scholarship?

11+ Application Forms for our Art, Music, and Sport Scholarships can be found on our website under Scholarships, from September.

Before submitting an application for a scholarship, please be sure to submit a **Registration Form** prior to **31 October 2025**. Submission of a Scholarship application does not constitute formal registration for a place at JAGS.

You then have until **30 November 2025** to complete and submit a **Scholarship Application Form.**

All applicants are automatically eligible for consideration for an Academic Scholarship, and no application is required.



Will my daughter be called automatically for an assessment for her chosen scholarship?

Applicants who have performed sufficiently well in our entrance assessments will be considered for scholarship awards.

We carefully study all scholarship applications and select an appropriate number of candidates for assessment, based on their strengths and commitment, as demonstrated in their application forms.

We will let all candidates know by 20 January if they have or have not been selected for assessment.

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Art Scholarships

Our art rooms are open daily at lunchtime for JAGS Art Scholars to access teaching support and specialist materials to develop their work.

We provide opportunities for Art Scholars to display their projects around the school, and for their art to be included in school publications, programmes, and merchandise.

Our Art Scholars are invited to be involved in our school events including Open Mornings, Christmas concerts, and Founder's Day. This encourages cross-year collaboration and allows other artistically-minded students to provide inspiration.

On **Saturday 31 January 2026, Art Scholarships will be offered for competition** to those who have performed well in our entrance assessments and whom have been selected in the preliminary round based on the quality of their digital sketchbook, which should be submitted online by **Monday 5 January 2025.**

Once an initial application has been submitted, you will receive an automated email acknowledging your submission, and a second email with a link, inviting you to upload the digital sketchbook to your daughter's application.

A digital sketchbook should include photos of:

- 4 observational dry medium drawings
- 4 observational works in the candidate's own chosen media
- And 2 works that have been made at home rather than at school or at Art club

We will let all candidates know by 20 January if they have or have not been selected for assessment.

Art Scholarships continue in the Sixth Form and are dependent upon a candidate's progress. An Art Scholar will be monitored carefully by her art teachers and the Head of Art. The Art Scholarship will be withdrawn if the scholar decides not to study GCSE Art in Year 10, or Advanced Level in Year 12. This also applies if she discontinues Art studies during her GCSE or A level course.

Music Scholarships

JAGS Music Scholars are encouraged to contribute to our rich musical life. They participate in choral, orchestral and chamber music activities, and their progress is monitored carefully by the Director of Music.

There are many exciting opportunities for our Music Scholars to perform at national and local musical events. These include a recital at Fleet Street's St Bride's Church, a concerto solo with the Symphony Orchestra in London, as well as our school Founder's Day and term-time concerts.

Music Scholars wishing to study GCSE or A level Music are expected to do so at JAGS, rather than privately or at Junior Music College (unless circumstances preclude this).

Music Scholarships Applications must be submitted by **30 November 2025.** References from an instrumental teacher(s) and a Head of Music (where relevant) are also required and will be sourced directly by JAGS. An application may be rejected if the relevant contacts are not provided by our deadline.

Music Scholarship Auditions for successful school entrance examination candidates will be held on **Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 January 2026.**

Candidates are shortlisted for audition if they can demonstrate a firm grounding in their principal instrument (Grade 5 Level or equivalent ability). Credit may be given for proficiency on a second and third instrument - including Voice - but this is optional. Evidence that a candidate has a lively and active interest in making music with others will lend greater support to their application.

The audition is relaxed and informal. Candidates may present anything that they feel demonstrates the best of their musical abilities. The audition lasts approximately 20 minutes and broadly consists of:

- Principal Instrument Performance
- Second instrument Performance (optional)
- Principal Instrument Sight Reading
- Musical Perception Tests
- Short Informal Interview

Each candidate is expected to bring her instrument(s) and music, including accompanist's music if needed. The School can provide an accompanist where requested on the application form.

A candidate may also bring any recent composition work that she has written.

Sport Scholarships

JAGS Sports Scholars are encouraged to contribute to our energetic and dynamic sporting life. Regular participation in extra-curricular activities and commitment to the school's sports teams is expected. This will be monitored carefully by the Director of Sport.

Candidates should be able to demonstrate that they are currently competing in sporting activities at school, a club or at a representative level. Applications must be supported by a detailed reference from a current school and/or team coach.

All candidates will be assessed on their physical prowess in a variety of sports with a focus on fundamental skills. Scholarships will be offered to candidates demonstrating one of the following:

- strong physical skills and tactical awareness with an all-round ability across a range of sports
- exceptional talent in one specific sport
- raw potential across a range of sports

The first of two rounds of our **Sports Scholarship Assessment** is on **Tuesday 27 January 2026.** Not all candidates who apply will be invited to attend the first round.

The second round for the strongest applicants is on **Tuesday 3 February 2026.**

Sport Scholars have regular mentor meetings with a designated member of the PE Department to discuss sporting and academic progress. We provide a tailored support plan that includes wellbeing, nutrition, sport psychology, mental strength, and physical conditioning.

Sport Scholars also have Athletic Development Training twice weekly with a member of staff from the PE Department, with a third session completed at home. This is in conjunction with visits to a High-Performance Lab twice yearly, where development is monitored by our specific JAGS athletic performance app.

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JAGS is rooted in academic excellence and fully committed to a holistic education both in and out of the classroom. To find out more about our dynamic school community visit

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