

## Welcome to Rossall School

"Rossall provides a uniquely holistic experience and no other school quite matches its blend of intellectual dynamism, warmth, friendliness and commitment to excellence."

#### JEREMY QUARTERMAIN, HEADMASTER

Undoubtedly, selecting the right school for the next stage of your child's educational journey is one of the most important and life-defining decisions that you can make.

At Rossall we know this to be the case and we work to ensure that at every stage of the application process you are well looked after and have all of the information and support that you may need.

In this guide you will find key information on:

- how to apply for a place at Rossallhow to apply for a scholarship
- the types of scholarships we offer, as well as further details of the scholarship process.

Once you have read the guide, if you have any further questions or queries, our admissions team would be delighted to provide further guidance and support and can be contacted using the contact details at the bottom of this page.

You can also find out further information about the School by visiting our website www.rossall.org.uk. Our news pages, our virtual tour and our videos all help to provide a more comprehensive picture of what a special place Rossall is.

Above all else, we encourage you to come and visit us – nothing beats seeing and experiencing our wonderful School in action.

Admissions Contact details:

*Telephone* 01253 774267 / 01253 774201 *Email* admissions@rossall.org.uk

### Admissions Process

#### Applying for a place

Once you have decided that you would like your child to be considered for entry into the School, the first step is to register them. Our admissions team will be on hand to guide you through this process.

You will need to complete the online registration form. The registration fee is £100 for a UK student. This non-refundable fee covers the administration of your child's application.

If you would like your child to be considered for a scholarship please do read on to find out about the types of scholarships on offer, the selection process as well as key dates for your diary.

#### Getting to know us

There is so much to Rossall and we encourage all prospective parents and pupils to come and visit the School as many times as they would like in order to feel confident that we are the right choice for them. We hold open events throughout the academic year and these provide an excellent opportunity to talk to pupils, meet our staff and view our facilities.

We are also delighted to be able to welcome families to the School for a personalised visit. During your tailor made tour you will have the opportunity to meet with the Headmaster, Senior Deputy Head, or a member of the senior academic team and ask any questions you may have.

Taster days can also be arranged if your child would like to experience Rossall first hand; these additional opportunities can prove to be

#### Scholarship at Rossall

beneficial in the decision-making process.

Being a scholar at Rossall is both a privilege and a responsibility. Our scholars are pace setters and role models. They are voracious in their desire to immerse themselves in all that the School has to offer and they aspire for and work towards excellence not only in their specialism but in everything that they do.

All scholars are expected to make the most of the opportunities on offer including lectures, workshops, specialist lessons, trips, competitions etc. You can find further information on what it means to be a Rossall Scholar in our Scholar Handbook available on our website.

# Key Dates

#### FOR ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2024

Monday 18th September

Scholarship Application Opens

Wednesday 4th October

Sixth Form Open Evening

Saturday 30th September

Whole School Open Day

Friday 3rd November

Year 7 Taster Day

Week of Monday 13th November

Sixth Form Consultation Week

Friday 24th November

Scholarship Deadline

Saturday 13th January

Broadway Scholarship Day

Saturday 20th January

Year 7 & 9 Scholarship Day

Saturday 27th January

Year 12 Scholarship Day

## Senior School Scholarships

#### ENTRY INTO YEAR 7 AND YEAR 9

#### **ENTRANCE CONDITIONS**

All pupils looking to enter Rossall in Year 7 and Year 9 will be required to sit the Rossall School Entrance Examinations, consisting of written tests in the following areas:

- English
- Mathematics
- Cognitive ability

As well as sitting the assessments, all applicants will have an interview with the Headmaster or a member of the senior academic team and are asked to provide a handwritten personal statement (no longer than 2 sides of A4).

#### Application deadline, Friday 24th November 2023

All those participating in the Rossall School Entrance Examinations are considered for an Academic scholarship. There are additional scholarships awarded for Music, Sport, Art and Design, Drama and Signature Programmes.

Headmaster's interview	Weeks commencing Monday 8th January 2024 Monday 15th January 2024
Entrance and Scholarship Examinations	Saturday 20th January 2024
Trials, auditions and interviews	Week commencing Monday 8th January 2024
All offers announced by	Friday 9th February 2024

Please note: all candidates can apply to be considered for an award in up to two scholarship areas

## Entrance Examinations

#### PROCEDURES AND ASSESSMENTS

# All Scholarships / Academic Scholarships:

#### **ENGLISH**

The English assessment will test writing and comprehension skills. Candidates will be given a selection of titles to choose from and asked to undertake a piece of extended writing in response to a prompt. They will be expected to organise their work into paragraphs. The comprehension will test a candidate's ability to read text, process it and understand its meaning.

#### **MATHEMATICS**

The Maths paper will test basic knowledge and skills (such as numbers, fractions, decimals, metric units of length, weight, and time) and the ability to apply this work in solving problems. The paper is based on National Curriculum requirements.

#### **COGNITIVE ABILITY TESTING**

Cognitive ability testing will assess a wide range of skills and aptitudes via verbal, nonverbal, quantitative and spatial reasoning questions to provide analysis of ability and potential achievement.

#### **INTERVIEW**

Every applicant will be invited for an interview with the Headmaster or a member of the senior academic team. Candidates will have an opportunity to talk about something they are passionate about and they are encouraged to bring along with them an item as a prompt for their discussion.

#### Sporting Scholarships:

#### **SPORT**

Sporting Scholarships will be awarded to those who can demonstrate a high level of ability across a range of different sporting activities, and who show an outstanding attitude and commitment to the School and their own development. Candidates will undergo a rigorous physical assessment to ascertain their current level of competency and future potential.

As part of the process candidates will also be interviewed by the Director of Sport. There is an expectation that candidates will bring along with them for the interview day a record of achievement including a reference. Full details of the sports kit required for the assessment day will be given prior to the day itself.

Sports Scholars are expected to attend all the training provided for them and to participate in the activities and fixtures the Sports Department arranges. These may involve weekends and after school events which will take priority over other commitments outside of the School.

#### **SIGNATURE - GOLF**

Golf Scholarships will be awarded to those who can demonstrate a high level of ability in Golf, and who show an outstanding attitude and commitment to the School and their own development. Candidates will be assessed on their current level of competency and future potential.

As part of the process there will also be an interview with the Director of Golf.

Candidates will be asked to bring along a record of achievement including a reference.

Full details of the sports kit candidates require will be given prior to the day.

Golf Scholars are expected to attend all the lessons provided and to participate in the activities and fixtures the Sports Department arranges. These may involve weekends and after school events which will take priority over other commitments outside of the School.

#### SIGNATURE - FOOTBALL

Football Scholarships will be awarded to those who can demonstrate a high level of ability in Football, and who show an outstanding attitude and commitment to the School and their own development. Candidates will be assessed on their current level of competency and future potential.

As part of the process there will also be an interview with the Director of Football.

Candidates will be asked to bring along a record of achievement including a reference.

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# Performing and Creative Arts Scholarships:

#### ART AND DESIGN

Candidates for Art and Design Scholarships are required to attend a practical test and interview with the Head of Art. Candidates will be asked to:

- Sit a practical test which will be held by the Head of Art under supervised conditions.
- Provide a portfolio of work to show their skill and interest in the subject.
- Attend a short interview where they will be asked to demonstrate their interest and experience in the subject.

Art and Design Scholars are expected to participate in School and external exhibitions and trips to art galleries that the Art Department arranges.

#### **DRAMA**

Candidates for Drama Scholarships are required to attend a workshop with the Head of Drama. Candidates will be asked to:

- Prepare a short monologue (maximum three minutes) from a play of their choosing, to be learnt by heart
- Participate in a group exercise
- Attend a short interview with the Head of Drama

Drama Scholars are required to be involved in all Drama productions and showcases.

## SIGNATURE - BROADWAY / MUSICAL THEATRE

Candidates for Broadway Academy of Performing Arts Scholarships are required to attend a workshop with the Director of Broadway Academy. Candidates will be asked to:

- Participate in a group dance class where they will be expected to learn, recall and perform a short piece of choreography.
- Prepare and perform a short monologue (maximum 3 minutes) from a play of their choosing, to be learnt by heart.
- Prepare and perform two contrasting songs from the musical theatre canon.

Broadway Academy Scholars are required to be involved in all Performing Arts co-curricular activities, School productions and showcases. These may involve weekends and after school events which will take priority over other commitments outside of the School.

#### **MUSIC**

Candidates for Music Scholarships are required to attend an audition and interview with the Director of Music. Candidates will be asked to:

- Play or sing two contrasting pieces on main instrument or one piece on each instrument if more than one is offered.
- Aural tests of Grade 3 (11+) or Grade 5 (13+)
   identical to the ABRSM format.
- Viva Voce about candidate's musical experience and interest.
- 11+ candidates should have reached Grade 3 level and 13+ candidates Grade 5 level in their main instrument

Music Scholars are expected to attend all the lessons assigned to them and to participate in the ensembles and engagements that the Music Department arranges. These may involve weekends and after school events which will take priority over other commitments outside of the School

#### **SIGNATURE - PIANO**

Candidates for Piano Scholarships are required to attend an audition and interview with the Director of the International Piano Academy. Candidates will be asked to:

- Play two contrasting pieces on the piano.
- Take an assessment of Grade 6 standard
   identical to the ABRSM format.
- Viva Voce about the candidate's musical experience and interest.
- Candidates should be able to provide evidence that they have reached Grade 6 level on the piano.

Piano Scholars are expected to attend all the lessons provided and to participate in the ensembles and engagements that the Music Department arranges. These may involve weekends and after school events which will take priority over other commitments outside of the School.



## Sixth Form Scholarships

#### ENTRY INTO YEAR 12

#### **ENTRANCE CONDITIONS**

All candidates seeking entry to Sixth Form will be required to pass at least five GCSE/IGCSE subjects (Grades 5–9) (or equivalent qualifications from the student's own country) as well as provide a satisfactory report from their present school. Please note that in order to study certain subjects, candidates will need to have achieved a Grade 6 or 7 in that subject (or related discipline) at GCSE/IGCSE (see individual subject requirements for further details). Those applying for an Academic scholarship would be expected to be achieving 7s and above in all of their subjects.

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Deadline for acceptance of places	

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### Entrance Examinations

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#### **ASSESSMENT**

A single paper covering:

- · Discursive/argumentative essay writing
- · Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving

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# Scholarships & Bursaries

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Rossall awards a wide variety of scholarships each year to current pupils and those new to the School. Means-tested bursaries are also available to further supplement these awards - please see below for further details regarding the Bursary Scheme.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are awards based on merit/excellence. They are awarded for pupils entering Years 7, 9 and 12, with outstanding talent in relevant areas.

Scholarships are reviewed annually in light of a pupil's achievement, effort, attitude and behaviour. General scholarships in Years 7, 9 and 12 are awarded up to a maximum of 20% of the school fees.

Rossall offers the following Scholarships:

- Academic Scholarships
- Sporting Scholarships
  - All Rounder Sports Scholarship
  - Signature Football Scholarship
  - Signature Golf Scholarship
- Performing and Creative Arts Scholarships
  - Music Scholarship
  - Signature Piano Scholarship
  - Drama Scholarship
  - Signature Broadway / Musical Theatre Scholarship
  - Art & Design Scholarship

#### NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year named scholarships are offered based on specific criteria. These include the Trapnell Scholarship and Jackson Scholarship. All scholarship candidates will be considered for these special awards. The value of named scholarships can be up to 100% of the school fees.

If you would like more details about the specific conditions of these awards, please do not hesitate to contact the Admissions department.

#### SIGNATURE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available for our suite of Signature programmes for pupils who excel as footballers, golfers, pianists or within the field of performing arts. These awards are reviewed annually in light of a pupil's achievement, effort, attitude and behaviour. Those in receipt of Signature programme scholarships are expected to play an active role in representing the school in their respective fields. Signature scholarships vary in value and are determined on a case by case basis.

#### INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Please be advised Rossall does not offer fully funded scholarships or means tested bursary support to international students. Applications for scholarships for overseas students will be considered on a case by case basis and will be assessed in a manner consistent with the UK scholarship process. Such awards, if successful, are typically extremely rare in nature and only available to exceptional candidates. For further guidance, please contact <code>admissions@rossall.org.uk</code>

#### **FORCES BURSARIES**

If a CEA allowance is awarded by the MOD, Rossall will provide an additional discount, such that the minimum parental contribution permissible under MOD CEA rules is made. Currently, the MOD asks that eligible personnel make a minimum contribution of 10% towards the school fees.

If a CEA allowance is not available, Rossall are able to award a discount of up to 25% to forces families.

#### **CLERGY BURSARIES**

Rossall School was founded in 1844 by Rev. St Vincent Beechey. Its establishment was 'to provide, at a moderate cost, for the sons of Clergymen and others, a classical, mathematical and general education of the highest class.'

To this day, our commitment to supporting the sons and daughters of clergymen and women continues and we offer a substantial non-means-tested bursary award for each child.

#### **BURSARY SCHEME\***

A Bursary is a form of financial assistance which is means tested. Bursary awards may be available if we feel your child would make a valuable contribution to our School, but in your current circumstances, you are unable to afford the full fees. Bursary awards depend entirely on your family's disposable income and assets; all bursary applicants are required to disclose, in confidence, their financial details via our Bursary Application Form, before a decision can be reached. If you feel you may be eligible for Bursary assistance, please contact the Bursary Team for an application form at bursary@rossall.org.uk.

\*Bursary applications for entry into Rossall will only be considered from September to April preceding the year of entry when bursary support is needed.

#### **FEES**

Fees can be viewed on the Rossall website at www.rossall.org.uk/fees

Fees are subject to a yearly inflationary increase, in accordance with Rossall School's Terms and Conditions. Items such as textbooks and examinations are subject to additional fees. More information is available upon request. Extras are not subject to scholarship and bursary discounts.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

The percentage and monetary value of Scholarship and Bursary awards are strictly confidential.



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A ROSSALL SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY ALLOWED ME TO BE A PART OF AN INCREDIBLE COMMUNITY THAT ENCOURAGED ME TO EXPLORE ACADEMIC INTERESTS I MIGHT NOT HAVE ENCOUNTERED ELSEWHERE.

UPON COMPLETING
MY TIME AT ROSSALL, I
HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF
STUDYING CLASSICS
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
CAMBRIDGE.

IT WAS AN HONOUR TO BE A ROSSALL SCHOLAR AND AN OPPORTUNITY I WOULD ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO APPLY FOR.

SAM AYOMA ACADEMIC SCHOLAR HEAD BOY 2021-22





#### VISIT THE ROSSALL WEBSITE

#### www.rossall.org.uk/scholarships-and-bursaries

In order to submit an application for a scholarship you will need to submit a registration form, and pay a registration fee. If applying for a scholarship is your first interaction with us, for your convenience you will be able to complete these steps within the Scholarship Application Form.

#### TO COMPLETE A SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION YOU WILL NEED:

#### TO COMPLETE A PUPIL REGISTRATION FORM

- A copy of your child's passport
- Copies of your child's last two school reports
- A registration fee of £75 (please note, if you have already registered for Rossall and paid this or your child is a current student, you do not need to pay again).

#### TO COMPLETE THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

• A personal statement in which the applicant introduces themselves and explains their interests and hobbies, hopes for the future and why they would like to join Rossall, with a specific focus on the scholarships for which they are applying. This can be a short handwritten or typed document, possibly containing photos, or a short video.

Evidence to support the scholarships for which they are applying, including:

- Current grades or playing / performance level
- Achievements and awards
- Membership of related schools, clubs, teams, groups, etc
- · References and contact details of referees e.g. teachers, coaches, etc

#### For Sixth Form applicants:

- Predicted GCSE grades (if known)
- Likely Sixth Form subject choices

#### AFTER APPLYING

- You will receive an email confirmation of your application.
- All applications will be reviewed.
- Pending this review, we may invite you for an interview and to attend a Scholarship Day.

If you have any questions in the meantime please contact admissions@rossall.org.uk



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