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Throughout its history, St George's has championed girls to be confident in their ambitions and has always placed great emphasis on strong female role models. It is with this well-established ethos that we launch our new Sport scholarship programme.

By recognising and stretching girls with sporting potential, we embrace our responsibility as a leader in girls' education. We prize creativity, innovation, and problem-solving, and our empowering scholarship programme challenges you to excel beyond the taught curriculum. This programme aims to provide you with the confidence to use your voice to advocate for yourself and make a positive contribution to the wider community in and beyond school.

Sport is central to life at St George's and we truly believe in the value that sport can bring to all of our students, with 90% of our girls still participating in sport aged 18. Our Sport Scholars will benefit from the wide variety of teams and clubs available, as well as from excellent tuition and facilities, while acting as an ambassador for sport.

"The positive attitude to sport and learning. Sport for all and not just about winning - but playing and participating. We know girls start to give up sport, but in an all girls inclusive environment you have more girls playing than most schools."

Parent



Why Apply for a Sport Scholarship?

Mentorship: You will be assigned a mentor throughout your secondary school career who will guide you in your sporting endeavours, provide advice on balancing schoolwork with training, and support your personal growth and development.

Tailored Programme: An academic and co-curricular programme will be designed with you in mind based on your chosen sports and training needs.



Supported Pathway: A supported pathway for club, regional, and national commitments and opportunities with school studies.

Aspiring Athletes Programme: Free access to our Aspiring Athletes programme which includes specialist tuition and advice on strength & conditioning, nutrition, and sports psychology.

Sport-Specific Qualifications: Support to gain sport-specific qualifications.

Sports Kit Contribution: A contribution towards sports kit.

Tuition Discount: An annual discount on tuition fees*, making high-quality education more accessible.



Scholarship Entry Points

S1 and S2 Sport scholarships are offered to new and existing students entering S1 and to new students entering S2. This early support helps students to develop strong sporting foundations and prepares them for future challenges.

Sixth Form Scholarships are offered to new and existing students with an outstanding record of sporting achievements. You will receive a financial award* when you leave at the end of S6 which can be used for future educational expenses such as university tuition or living costs.

"The PE department is a great department with approachable and enthusiastic staff and I love the fact that all of my girls have participated in different sports whilst at school."

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What we are looking for

At minimum, applicants are expected to be of a high ability and potential across two sports, or on a pathway to represent their district/region or equivalent in one sport in their age group. Each sport/activity will be considered within its own context. Applications are particularly welcome from candidates whose main sport is hockey, lacrosse, netball, tennis or cricket.



We expect our scholars to:

Demonstrate Self-Motivation: Show regular training and commitment.

Regular Participation: Regular participation in fixtures and competitions, especially commitment to regular weekly training and fixtures.

Excellence in Behaviour and Academic work: Maintain excellent behaviour records and consistent academic effort.

Lead by Example: Act as a role model to other students, including assisting with co-curricular sport activities.

Active Participation: Full and active participation in school life, including assisting the Sport/PE department at Open Days, celebration days, and sports conferences, and acting as an ambassador.

Representation: Represent the School in district or national teams or competitions.

“All girls’ school allows girls to be themselves and flourish in areas such as sport and science, that they wouldn’t in other schools. ”

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Application Process

- 1. Online Application:** Submit an application form detailing your sporting achievements, including information on clubs and activities you are currently involved in.
- 2. Assessment Day:** If shortlisted, attend an assessment day where you will demonstrate your technical and physical skills and be interviewed.
- 3. Supporting Documents:** Provide a reference from a coach or teacher as part of the process. Provide previous school reports and records of sporting achievements. These documents help to paint a comprehensive picture of your sporting journey and potential as a scholar.

*See website www.stge.org.uk for details on the value of awards, closing dates for entries and assessment dates.



Honor - My Story

"I'm Honor, and I've been at St George's since Primary 1. Sports have been a huge part of my journey here. I've loved every moment of it, made countless friendships, and received the best training possible.



This year I've played 1st XI Hockey and I'm the captain of the team. I also play 1st X Lacrosse and 1st VI Tennis. Outside school, I train with the regional Scotland Hockey development squad and play golf at my local club.

Being at an all-girls school really motivates and encourages you to play sports throughout your time here. It makes you believe you're good at sports, so you just keep going. The inclusive environment ensures that there's something for everyone, no matter your skill level. Whether you want to play for fun or compete at a high level, St George's provides the support and facilities you need to succeed.

What makes the sport unique here is the opportunity to play multiple sports simultaneously. You don't need to focus only on one sport and you can play as much as you like. This has allowed me to play a wide range of sports and to meet different people and teachers, creating connections across year groups. The co-curricular sports programme is also great as it lets you try various sports and find what you're best at, boosting your confidence.

The sports facilities, which are all here on campus, are top-notch. We've recently added a new spin studio and strength and fitness gym. The numerous tennis courts and the hockey astro and sports pitches are fantastic, and the coaching staff are incredibly supportive and encouraging. Many of the PE staff are high-achieving sports players out of school and we have a wide range

of visiting elite sports coaches coming in to school for training sessions. The staff are good at knowing how to teach girls and how to suit learning techniques towards getting the best out of girls.

We have masses of teams across the senior year groups – five hockey teams at senior level, which is amazing for the size of our school. This definitely encourages girls to keep playing. Besides playing school matches against other schools on our Saturday mornings, we also have different tournaments and the East and Scottish Cup, particularly for Hockey, Netball and Tennis. It's really exciting to have something to aim for and to meet different teams from other schools on the same day. I also think it really brings the team close together because teamwork becomes so important."





Terms and conditions

All examinations, practical tests and interviews take place at St George's School. Parents seeking means-tested financial assistance should complete a bursary application.

Once in receipt of a scholarship, a student is expected to retain the award for as long as they remain at St George's, provided they continue to meet the requirements. Any issues with scholars not complying with the expectations will be communicated to them and their families with ample time to resolve them, however the school does retain the right to withdraw a scholarship award if issues are not resolved. Candidates wishing to be considered for a place, even if a scholarship is not awarded, must also be registered for the school in the usual way. A minimum of two years of studying at St George's is required to apply for a scholarship.

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