

Perrott Hill Scholarship Information 2026 9+ All Rounder

This information is produced for the benefit of parents who are interested in entering their children for this year's scholarship programme which will take place on Friday 6th February, 2026.

Parents should be aware that:

- Only children in year 4 are eligible for entry.
- All external candidates will sit academic tests regardless of their chosen area of strength so that we can gauge their current level in these areas.

The aim of the Perrott Hill 9+ Scholarship programme is to recognise and encourage children in providing additional opportunities for them wherever possible to learn, develop and extend in particular areas of recognised interest, and to help prepare them for any possible future application for scholarship at senior school.

The 9+ All-rounder Scholarship incorporates a general academic paper with two of the following areas:

Sports: Candidates should be competent in at least two major sports e.g., rugby, cricket, football, hockey, netball. Other accomplishments, such as representing their local club or their county, will be considered. They should also show potential in other areas of sport. Candidates should bring their PE and Games kit as they will undergo a variety of exercises and will be interviewed by the Director of Sport. On the sports fields, candidates should have a genuine desire to win, but with deep-seated values of sportsmanship and fair play.

Music: Candidates should bring the appropriate musical instrument(s) and prepare one piece per instrument. There will also be some simple aural tests, a sight-reading exercise on their first instrument and a brief, informal discussion with the Director of Music.

Children sitting the 9+ music scholarship need to have a minimum of Grade 1 standard on their first instrument, with a second instrument as optional. The minimum Grade standard does not mean they need to have passed the exam yet, just that they can play/work at that level.

Scholars are expected to sustain a consistent record of good practice throughout the school. While scholarships generally last for the duration of a child's time at Perrott Hill, the school reserves the right to review and withdraw a scholarship if deemed

necessary.

Drama: Candidates will be asked to attend an audition and an interview with our Head of Drama. An award is open to any candidate showing strong potential in acting and the world of drama. Candidates should prepare an audition piece of around two minutes in length. They will also be expected to perform a short improvisation. Candidates should bring with them a list of any relevant clubs, workshops, or performances they have taken part in and any theatre performances they have watched and enjoyed. We will discuss **these** as part of the interview.

Art: A project will be set prior to the scholarship day and all candidates notified in advance; it would be ideally completed over a weekend. This should be brought into school on the day of the scholarship. Candidates should bring a portfolio of recent work to support their application. The portfolio should contain work produced both independently at home and from their current school. Internal candidates do not need to bring work from school. Candidates will be asked to make a brief observational drawing and should be prepared to discuss their portfolio with the Head of *Art*.

Scholarship Day

As a guide to timings for the day, all candidates should be brought to the School Reception: Academic scholarship candidates should arrive at 9.30am, all other candidates at 10.15am. Those children already at Perrott Hill will be collected from their classrooms and should come to school at the usual time. Full details will be provided once the timetable has been finalised. It is anticipated that academic scholarship candidates will be ready for collection at approximately 1.15pm and the remaining candidates by 4.00pm.

All candidates should bring a pencil case and a current reading book. Candidates, regardless of category, will be asked to:

- Take a standardised mathematics test (external candidates)
- Take a standardised reading test (external candidates)
- Have an interview with the Headmaster.
- Read aloud from their book.

Standardised tests are used for a fair comparison of academic results. Tests are graded according to the age of the candidate, and it is emphasised that the tests are designed to reveal potential in academic areas.

All awards are made in good faith based upon the talents and potential of the child, and will take effect from the start of the School Year following assessment.

If it is felt that a child's place at Perrott Hill is dependent upon a degree of fee remission, separate applications may be made for Means Tested Bursary support. The application forms can be obtained from the Bursar. Means Tested Bursary forms for any such request will be reviewed by the Headmaster and Bursar.

Parents of pupils currently at the school should note that new Scholarship awards made may be in replacement of or subsumed by existing awards (including existing Means Tested Bursaries).

How to apply

To apply for a Scholarship please complete the online form.

If you would prefer a hard copy, please email Emma Picken, Admissions Registrar (epicken@perrotthill.com).

Please complete and return the form as soon **as possible** or by **Thursday 29**th **January**, **2026** at the latest.