

## Year 7 Scholarship Programme for INTERNAL applicants

### Introduction

Radnor House, Sevenoaks, believes in celebrating every individual, and, as such, we hope the following details about our Year 7 Scholarship Programme are informative. Rather than the traditional scholarship model of rewarding Academic, Creative or Sporting scholarships, Radnor House, Sevenoaks places **equal worth** on each of the four School values.

Developing and celebrating “*Excellence, Respect, Courage and Perseverance*” are central to this scholarship programme and pupils who demonstrate high levels of each value in different areas of their lives will be considered for a Senior School Scholarship.

### How to Apply in Year 6 (*Internal Applicants*)

Every child in Year 6 is eligible to apply for a Radnor House Scholarship. The following steps outline the process pupils need to follow to apply for a Senior School Scholarship.

<b>Step 1 –</b>	The pupil to submit a letter of application to the Head. The letter of application should clearly outline how your child has lived the values of Radnor House Sevenoaks throughout his/her school career. For the value of Excellence, pupils are encouraged to identify one area (Academic, Sporting, Art, Drama for example) they particularly excel in. The deadline to submit your letter of application is Friday 14 December 2018.
<b>Step 2 –</b>	A reference will be completed by the Head of Prep and their Year 6 class teacher and either the Head of Drama, Art, Music or Sport (depending if one of these is the area of excellence that has been identified) outlining the pupil’s strengths and areas of development, their behaviours for learning and whether they are recommended for a Scholarship award.
<b>Step 3 –</b>	The letter of application and references will be assessed in conjunction your child’s presentation which will take place in January 2019.
<b>Step 5 –</b>	The Scholarship presentation will be an opportunity to discuss their own letter of application and importantly how they are living to the schools values.
<b>Step 6 –</b>	A Scholarship panel will review all applications and inform families of decisions by February half term.

## **Awarding Scholarships**

The award of a Radnor House Scholarship will be weighted according to the following criteria:

- Letter of application – 25%
- Presentation and interview – 25%
- References (Class Teacher, Head of Prep, nominated other) – 50%

### **The Letter of Application**

The aim of the letter is for pupils to talk about themselves and to highlight particular strengths. They should articulate how they exemplify the school's Core Values referring to specific examples in the process for each value. The letter will form the basis of much of the discussion within the interview and should be seen as an opportunity to highlight all of the wonderful things they are particularly proud of.

### **The Scholarship Presentation and Interview**

The presentation and interview is used to learn more about the pupil's passions and interests and explore further the statements made in the pupil's letter of application. The Head will also look towards the future, asking about goals, ambitions and how the pupil believes that they will be able to have a positive impact on the school community going forward. Pupils may refer to anecdotes from their life that support the School's Core Values.

### **References**

Academic achievement and potential will be outlined in the reference from the Class Teacher and Head of Prep. It should provide information on cognitive ability, work ethic, and current and past achievements. The reference will also describe the pupil's adherence to the school's Core Values. Where appropriate pupils are also encouraged to nominate other referees for their chosen area of Excellence, for example: sports coaches, music teachers or art tutors.

### **Value of Award and Duration**

A Senior School Scholarship will attract a reduction of 10% off the tuition fee, potentially increasing to a maximum of 50% through means testing.

The award of a Scholarship will remain with the pupil throughout their Senior School career until the pupils leave Radnor House Sevenoaks and will be based on a percentage of the existing or current fee.

Scholarships are guaranteed until the completion of Year 13, subject to good progress. If, however, effort, progress or behaviour is judged to be unsatisfactory, the School reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship which will be reviewed annually.

### **Offers**

Offers of scholarships are made in writing by the Head.

If your child would like to apply for a scholarship please send your letter of application to our registrar Wendy Owens either emailing at [wowens@radnor-sevenoaks.org](mailto:wowens@radnor-sevenoaks.org) or post to **Wendy Owens, Radnor House Sevenoaks, Combe Bank Drive, Sundridge, Sevenoaks, TN14 6AE**