

ST TERESA'S EFFINGHAM

# MUSIC SCHOLARS

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INFORMATION PACK



# WELCOME



At St Teresa's, music is at the heart of our school community, and we are passionate about nurturing the next generation of talented musicians. We are looking for gifted and dedicated musicians who not only demonstrate strong technical ability and musicality but also have a deep love for music and a commitment to their craft.

Our Music Scholars play a vital role in the cultural and creative life of the School. They are expected to contribute enthusiastically to our vibrant music department, participating in ensembles, choirs, and orchestras, as well as taking advantage of solo performance opportunities throughout the year. From large scale concerts to more intimate recitals and special events, scholars are given the platform to showcase their talents, refine their skills, and grow as performers, working with committed and highly experienced music staff.

We value musicians who are passionate, disciplined, and eager to learn, whether they excel as soloists, ensemble players, or composers. As a Music Scholar, you will receive specialist guidance and support to help you reach your full potential, along with access to exceptional coaching and performance opportunities.

If you are a committed and enthusiastic musician with the ambition to contribute to the musical life of St Teresa's, we encourage you to apply and take the next step in your musical journey with us.

# OPPORTUNITIES

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- Scholars' Tea (After school with parents and other scholars)
- KS3 Scholars' Meeting with Sixth Form Buddy
- Regular solo Performance Opportunities and recitals in the Chapel
- Chapel Assemblies
- Open Day Performance Opportunities
- Scholar Meetings with Director of Music
- Scholars' Concert
- Scholars' Trip

# EXPECTATIONS

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Commit to being in at least one (and ideally two) co-curricular choir/musical ensemble at all times. Continue to take instrumental/vocal lessons for the duration of the scholarship, making progress year on year. Be available to perform at Open Days and other events as requested by the Director of Music, so there is a need to always have a piece "performance ready".

# HOW TO APPLY



**Audition Date:**

**Thursday 13th November 2025**

*Candidates will be notified of their individual audition time.*

## **Audition Requirements**

**Each candidate should be prepared to:**

- Perform two contrasting pieces on their first instrument or voice.
- Perform one piece on their second instrument or voice (if applicable).
- Sight-read on their first instrument or voice.
- Answer questions about their performance, demonstrating knowledge of style, genre, composer, and performance directions.
- Respond musically to interpretation suggestions from the panel.
- Discuss their musical involvement at their current school and musical interests outside school.

## **Requirements by Age Group**

- 11+ Candidates are expected to be of Grade 3+ standard on their first instrument.
- 13+ Candidates are expected to be of Grade 5+ standard on their first instrument.



## Additional Information

- An accompanist will be available, but candidates may not bring their own accompanist.
- Scholarship recipients are expected to participate fully in the School's co-curricular music programme.
- Parents should ensure that the student's current music teacher is aware of the requirements as soon as possible.

*If you have any questions about the application process, please contact the Music Department on [info@st-teresas.com](mailto:info@st-teresas.com)*

**We look forward to hearing your performances!**



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