

Drama Scholarship 2024-2026

Key Information

Application Deadline: November 2023

Applications are now open for the Drama Scholarships 2024-2026.

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Up to two Drama Scholarships (£250 a year) are available for internal and external candidates based on an application, audition and interview with our drama staff. You do not have to be studying A level Drama and Theatre, nor have taken the SDC, scholarships are awarded to those who show outstanding potential as an actor or director and a commitment to the department. As a guide, it would be expected that an actor had partaken in a range of performance work.

What you can expect from the school as a Drama Scholar:

- An education that promotes creativity and fosters your theatrical talent
- An environment that encourages you to aspire to the highest standards in drama
- Academic staff who will encourage initiative and creativity
- Opportunities to develop your theatrical skills both within and beyond the curriculum
- A programme of co-curricular productions where you can extend and refine your skills
- The opportunity to attend our programme of theatre trips as part of our theatre society
- The opportunity to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival (when offered)

Drama Scholar Expectations:

- A commitment to demonstrate initiative and take responsibility for your theatrical development both within and beyond the curriculum
- To participate in the many and varied drama-related opportunities offered by the school
- To play a leading role in the drama department, including helping to run the MIV, UIV and Improv Clubs
- To regularly attend the theatre trips organised by the drama department
- To demonstrate a commitment to the exploration of drama and theatre
- To participate and assist in our productions both onstage and off, as detailed below
- To contribute to the wider creative community of the school and be an ambassador of Drama and Theatre at the school and to the younger years.

Term	Event	Expectation
VII – Autumn	Main School Production (Musical/Straight Play)	To participate in the major production of the term
VII - Summer Term	Junior Play	Work as Assistant Director or Stage Manager for the Junior Play
VII - Half-termly	Drama Platforms	Regularly perform, direct or host
VIII - Autumn	Main School Production (Musical/Straight Play)	To participate in the major production of the term
VIII – Spring	Senior School Play	To participate in the major production of the term
VII and VIII	Studio Productions	Direct or Act in Studio Productions
VIII – Summer Holidays	Edinburgh Festival	Perform at the Edinburgh Festival with the alumnae company 'Erasmus Productions'
VII/VIII - Autumn	Scholars' Performance	Act or Direct
Various - when available	Other School Productions	Act in productions at other schools
Various	Series of Scholar Workshops	Participation or leading – a series of workshops exploring range of theatrical aspects – Tech, Writing, Acting, Film, Design, Directing.
Various	External Practitioner Workshop	Participate and Train
Weekly	Drama Clubs	Lead or Assist clubs MIV-V and evolve, outreach

To Apply:

Complete and return the attached Application Form. External Candidates will also need to supply a reference from a Teacher, Director or Club Leader to support their application.

The Audition:

You will then be invited to audition in December 2023.

Applicants should prepare and present two contrasting monologues:

- One **classical** (Jacobean or Shakespearean, or Greek)
- One **post 1956** modern day

Each monologue should be no more than two minutes long.

The audition will be followed by a short conversation with the department about your selected pieces; your interest in drama and theatre and how you feel you could contribute to the drama department or wider school community.

If you have any questions about the application process, or would like some recommendations for audition pieces, please email me: <u>isabel.foley@spgs.org</u> or come to the Drama Office.



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To be completed by candidates. Please note, that external candidates should also include a supporting reference from a teacher, director, agent, or club leader as part of their application. The reference should outline the student's aptitude and commitment to Drama and Theatre and the referees' contact details.

Name:	Internal / External	
Email Address:		
Applicant Statement Explain why you would like to be a Drama Scholar. What do you think you could bring to this role?		
Name and Address of Parent		
Telephone Number(s)		
Parent Email		

Drama and Theatre Experience Please complete details of your dramatic experience: productions, training, workshops, awards, clubs etc.			

This form should be completed and returned to the drama department, with the teacher's reference, by November 2023 at the latest to isabel.foley@spgs.org or a hardcopy to my desk. Applicants will be invited to share their selected audition pieces in December 2023.

Thank you for applying!