

The Ripley Scholarship Programme

Last year, we launched the Ripley Scholarship programme, to celebrate 160 years of our outstanding school. This year we are making the same offer.

Award details

£1000 will be awarded to each scholarship student. This will be held by the school and paid out, when required at the school's absolute discretion, for requested items which support the scholarship student with his/her/their academic studies.

A programme of lunchtime lectures and academically challenging activities will be organised by the school to develop students' knowledge beyond the taught curriculum.

Students will be given support with applications to competitive universities and apprenticeships.

A list of possible purchases is as follows:

- iPad or other tablet device
- Laptop
- Laptop bag
- Folders, paper, highlighters, other stationery
- Subject specific equipment eg. Art resources, play scripts, musical instrument, DT resources etc.
- Text books
- Challenging fiction or non-fiction books
- Entrance to museums or art galleries etc.
- Bus/train fares to school
- Blazer

This list is not exhaustive. Students can apply to spend money on whatever will help with their academic studies; each requested item will be assessed by the school for its merits. The school reserves the right not to purchase items which it does not feel will support the student with their sixth form academic career.

Scholarship/academic requirements:

Students must achieve 3 GCSE grade 7s including a grade 7 in their chosen scholarship subject (where applicable) to be eligible for the scholarship.

The number of places available for 6th Form Scholarships in September 2026 will be a maximum of 100. In the event that more candidates meet the eligibility criteria than there are places, the school will rank applications according to applicants' average points scores in their GCSEs.

Additional obligations:

Scholarship students will be required to act as subject ambassadors for school events, eg open evenings and 6th form recruitment events.

Students will be required to complete the 2-year A Level course. If the student fails to complete the 2-year A Level course, they will be expected to return any non-consumable scholarship purchases eg iPads, textbooks, blazer etc which can then be used for the benefit of students who remain.

Termination:

The scholarship may be terminated in cases of serious student misconduct and any non-consumable purchases must be immediately returned. For the avoidance of doubt, this does not mean that a permanent exclusion must follow for the right of termination to arise.

If attendance drops below 90%, without good reason, the scholarship may be terminated, and any non-consumable purchases must be immediately returned.