



PEMBROKE HOUSE SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIPS

Every child matters, every moment counts.

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SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

Scholarships are the highest awards, granted at the Head's discretion, to those displaying excellence in the scholarship assessments.

The scholarship categories are outlined in detail on the following pages.

Please note that, in addition to receiving reports and feedback from their current school, all candidates will be expected to undertake the following:

- An aptitude test the candidate will sit when they come for their interview
- An interview with the Head and a member of the School's Senior Management Team
- In addition, a confidential character and academic reference will be sought from the entrant's school. It is therefore essential that the candidate's current Head Teacher is informed before an application is submitted.

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS OF SCHOLARS

Scholars are expected to be ambassadors for their specialism, and for Pembroke House School and should be happy to be role models to others in the School.

Scholarships are retained subject to good behaviour, academic endeavour and a full commitment to the whole life of the school and are reviewed annually.

The aim is that any successful scholarship candidates should maintain their scholarship standards and become part of the school's Gifted and Talented (GAT) and Scholarship programme. Their progress will be reviewed annually, in order for the scholarship to be rewarded for the following year. In conjunction with the Head, a scholar's progress will be monitored by the Director of Studies and the relevant subject specialist teachers.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The award of an Academic Scholarship is based upon the candidate's performance in the following assessments, in addition to those common to all applications:

- Standardised Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT)
- A written essay in response to a philosophical question, demonstrating capacity for creative and critical thinking.

Scholarships are awarded annually according to the criteria of academic excellence, academic effort and potential. Pembroke House School takes great pride in the success of its academically able and ambitious pupils who set the standards for their peers.

ART SCHOLARSHIPS

Art Scholarships are awarded to talented, enthusiastic and creative pupils who have a passion to create art.

Candidates will be required to produce a piece of work on the day of interview, which will usually be a still life drawing.

Candidates should also show a portfolio of artwork, which may include drawings, paintings, collage, prints, photographs, ceramics or sculpture.

Portfolios will be discussed at an interview with the Head of Art and the Head.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

The Design and Technology Scholarships are intended to identify children who have the potential to do well in this subject and a drive to think out of the box and invent. Scholarships are awarded for imaginative, enthusiastic and original approaches to problem solving and design.

Candidates are required to produce a piece of work on the day of interview. This can be some design work and/or a practical task.

Candidates should also show evidence of an interest in design, problem solving and practical work. This could be specialised in Woodwork, Computing (ie coding, robotics), or Design Technology in general. Evidence of work should be presented in a portfolio with pictures/photographs and examples of work. Portfolios will be discussed at an interview with the Head of Art and Design Technology, the Head of ICT (if computing is the focus) and the Head.

DRAMA SCHOLARSHIPS

Drama Scholarships are awarded to candidates who demonstrate outstanding creative thinking and can present an innovative and emotive performance piece. Candidates should demonstrate a love of theatre and have high aspirations.

Candidates will be asked to present a 1-2 minute monologue of their choosing and to engage in both a short, improvised drama session and a scripted session. Candidates need to demonstrate skills such as teamwork, cooperation, adaptation and listening within the group improvised and scripted drama sessions.

Candidates should bring a portfolio of work to include any relevant qualifications gained e.g. LAMDA examinations and evidence of involvement in productions, and should be able to talk about their achievements with confidence.

These will be discussed at an interview with the Drama Teacher, Director of Performing Arts and the Head.

Successful candidates will be expected to play an active role in productions, showcases and concerts throughout their time at Pembroke House.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Music Scholarships are awarded to pupils who display musical excellence or potential. The standard of performance expected is for at least one instrument at ABRSM (or equivalent) at Grade 2 or above, including voice.

However, evidence of ability and true potential is of equal importance to actual examinations passed.

The practical examination will last approximately 30 minutes and will comprise:

- A performance of two contrasting pieces on the instrument/s.
- Aural and reading tests.
- Interview with the Director of Music and the Head.

Successful candidates will be expected to play an active role in all music making at Pembroke House, including regular school concerts and productions, and will be required to be a member of choirs and relevant ensembles.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

These may be gained by those displaying exceptional attitude and potential in one or more of Pembroke House School's chosen sports. Outstanding performance in a single sport will be considered, but it is usual to offer more than one discipline. The candidates should be enthusiastic about their sport and show huge potential. They are expected to actively participate in all sports at a high level, as well as demonstrate an impressive level of gamesmanship in all sporting activities.

They should lead others and act as a role model both on and off the field, and share best practice with peers and fellow athletes. There will be an expectation for them to be in attendance and show commitment to all school training and fixtures.

The candidates will be required to undergo a practical assessment in at least one of the major team sports of cricket, rounders, hockey, netball or rugby.

Excellence in individual sports such as athletics, cross country, swimming, tennis or squash will also be taken into consideration. There will also be an interview with the Director of Sport and The Head.

ALL-ROUNDER SCHOLARSHIPS

Candidates who successfully apply for a specific Scholarship in two or more fields will be automatically considered for an All-Rounder Scholarship. All-rounder scholarships are awarded to candidates who show outstanding all-round ability and leadership potential and who will make a major contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school.

The decision to award a prestigious All-Rounder Scholarship is made at the discretion of the School, therefore, and not through a separate application.

Candidates should show strong academic potential supported by a full school report as well as a CAT score and will be assessed alongside scholarship candidates for each area. Candidates will be expected to submit a full portfolio for assessment which should include the candidate's interests and achievements.

NEXT STEPS

If you would like your child to be assessed for one of the scholarships outlined in this brochure, please contact the registrar on email registrar@permbrokehouse.sc.ke or telephone +254 20 231 2323.

A scholarship application form will be sent to you, along with further information, and a date for the assessment will be confirmed.

Assessments usually take place before January, prior to their September entry into Pembroke House School. However, please do contact us for alternative assessment dates and entry points if required.

Please note:

- 1. It is a condition of every scholarship or award given that its value remains confidential between the successful candidate's parents and the School.**
- 2. All candidates sitting for scholarships or awards must already be registered for entry to Pembroke House School.**
- 3. Candidates may enter for a maximum of two scholarships / awards.**
- 4. The maximum financial value of any non means-tested scholarship or award or combination thereof is 30% of fees.**
- 5. A copy of the 3 most recent school reports need to be submitted along with all scholarship applications.**