

APPLICATION FORM AND GUIDANCE NOTES FOR

EXTERNAL CANDIDATES

Academic Year 2026/27

GUIDANCE NOTES ON ENTRANCE AND SCHOLARSHIP ASSESSMENTS

- Scholarships are awarded to pupils of exceptional ability and are likely to be in the range of twenty-five percent (25%) of fees.
- Bursaries may be awarded on a means-tested basis when parents are unable to meet the full school fees.
- Bursaries may top up a scholarship or support a candidate entry.
- In exceptional circumstances, bursaries can be up to one hundred percent of the fees. Bursary applications should initially be discussed with the Head.
- All awards are subject to terms and conditions. All awards are reviewed annually and may be revoked if the holder is not fulfilling the high expectations which come with an award.
- If you have any questions about admission to Wrekin please contact Ros Curel on 01952 265603 or email admissions@wrekincollege.com.

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

- The II+ ENTRANCE EXAMINATION is the basic requirement for entry to Wrekin College and all candidates must sit this test. It assesses potential pupils' ability to cope with the academic life of Wrekin; if a pupil shows this potential and places are available, a place will be offered.
- No special preparation is required or expected for this examination.
- The II+ Entrance Examination consists of online adaptive tests, plus an English paper.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATIONS

- The ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION is by invitation only. It is a competitive examination that must be taken on the day specified.
- Candidates will be interviewed by the Head. In addition to this
 there will be extension papers in English and Mathematics.
- No special preparation is required or expected for this examination.
- Further details will be sent to parents whose children are invited to sit the examination.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

- The Music Department and Director of Music will assess the performances.
- Each candidate will be required to perform two contrasting pieces on their main instrument or voice, one piece on their second and any other instruments or voice (if offered), together with sight-reading and aural tests.
- Whilst grade 3 can be used as a guide for the standard expected at this stage, candidates should apply even if they have not reached this level. Promise, potential, a love of music and a desire to improve, coupled with a firm commitment to Music Department activities are more important than examination achievement.
- We welcome applications on any instrument or voice and in any style or genre.
- The school can provide an accompanist but we will require the music for II+ scholars one week in advance of the audition.
- There will also be a viva voce with the Director of Music and other members of the Music Department at which candidates will be asked questions about their musical experiences and ambitions.
- A reference will be requested from the candidate's current school/music teacher in advance.
- All successful applicants (instrumentalist or vocalists) will be expected to attend Lancaster Choir and Lancaster Band (If they play a band instrument) in Year 7 and Year 8. Should they retain their award into the Year 9 (as the vast majority do) all award holders are expected to join the Chapel Choir. If they are an instrumentalist, they will also be required to join at least one senior ensemble (Orchestra, Concert Band, Jazz Band). The Chapel Choir is the school's 'flagship' ensemble and is essential in scholars' aural and musical development. They are also expected to perform in school events/concerts and be ambassadors for the school and the department.

Notes continue on pages 6 and 7

II + ENTRANCE & SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATIONS APPLICATION

For entry September 2026

Please read the guidance notes in this booklet before completing this application. Detach the form and send to:

Ros Curel, Wrekin College, Wellington, Shropshire TFI 3BH. Please complete this application in black ink.

AGE:	DATE OF BIRTH:				
PLEASE TICK AS APPROPRIATE	:				
ENTRANCE:	SCHOLARSHIPS:				
II+ Entrance Exam	II+ Art Scholarship				
	II+ Music Scholarship	II+ Dance Scholar	ship		
	II+ Sports Scholarship	I I + Pendle Aw	ard**		
	II+ Performing Arts Scholarship				
** If the candidate is invited to take	the Academic Scholarship and is entering additional scholarship	o/s in Art, Music, Performir	ng Arts/Drama,		
Dance and/or Sports, do you wish	him/her to be considered for an all-rounder Pendle Award?				
CURRENT SCHOOL:					
NAME OF HEADTEACHER;					
ADDRESS:	POSTCODE:				
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TELEPHONE No:	MODILE.
NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:	
ADDRESS (if different from above):	
POSTCODE:	MOBILE:
TELEPHONE No:	
Wrekin College offers scholarships to candidates who show exceptional abil Please refer to the guidance notes in this booklet for further information	
PERFORMING ARTS/DRAMA SCHOLA	ARSHIP APPLICATION
CURRENT SCHOOL'S HEAD OF DRAMA:	
EMAIL:	TELEPHONE No:
Please include an outline of all productions your child has been in to	o date on a separate piece of paper.
MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION	
CURRENT SCHOOL'S DIRECTOR OF MUSIC OR NAME OF MU	JSIC/INSTRUMENT TEACHER:
EMAIL:	TELEPHONE No.
MUSICAL ACHIEVEMENT	
FIRST INSTRUMENT:	
FOR HOW LONG HAS THE INSTRUMENT BEEN STUDIED?	
LAST GRADE EXAMINATION:	
APPROXIMATE GRADE IF NO EXAMINATION TAKEN:	
SECOND INSTRUMENT:	
FOR HOW LONG HAS THE INSTRUMENT BEEN STUDIED? LAST GRADE EXAMINATION:	
APPROXIMATE GRADE IF NO EXAMINATION TAKEN:	
SINGING:	
LAST GRADE EXAMINATION:	
APPROXIMATE GRADE IF NO EXAMINATION TAKEN:	
Other musical achievements (eg. Music Theory examinations) should be list	ted on the supporting information page.

ART SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION					
URRENT SCHOOL'S HEAD OF ART:					
MAIL:	TELEPHONE No:				
DANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION					
CURRENT DANCE TEACHER (if applicable):					
EMAIL:	TELEPHONE No:				
SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION	Please include	WRITTEN su	pporting refe	erences f	from refer
NAME OF PRIMARY REFEREE:					
SPORTING DISCIPLINE/CLUB:					
ADDRESS:					
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NAME OF SUPPORTING REFEREE:					
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Club level is the minimum standard considered for scholarship	NATIONAL	REGIONAL	COUNTY	CLUB	SCHOO
RUGBY:					
NETBALL:					
HOCKEY:					
CRICKET:					
ATHLETICS:					
ATHLETICS: FOOTBALL:					

Curel directly to discuss the application and our association and High Performance Pathway with Park Wrekin Gymnastics.

PLEASE SIGN TO COMPLETE APPLICATION				
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:			
NAME IN FULL:	NAME IN FULL:			
DATE:	DATE:			
The information which you give when completing this entrance examination	on form will be used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018			

The information which you give when completing this entrance examination form will be used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. Wrekin College collects and uses personal information about staff, students, parents or carers and other individuals who come into contact with the school. This information is gathered in order to enable it to provide education and other associated functions. In addition, there may be a legal requirement to collect and use information to ensure that the school complies with its statutory obligations. The information entered on this form may be used for sending you promotional and marketing information about Wrekin College (e.g. e-newsletter). At no time will your personal information be passed to third party organisations for any sales/marketing purposes other than for those connected to the Wrekin Old Hall Trust. If you would prefer not to receive such information, please email marketing@wrekincollege.com.

SPACETO PROVIDE EXTRA INFORMATION ONYOUR CHILD, IF YOU WISH

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Please return your completed Application Form to:

Ros Curel, Head of Admissions, Wrekin College, Wellington, Shropshire TF13BH admissions@wrekincollege.com

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ART SCHOLARSHIP

The theme for the Art Scholarship this year is 'Sweets and Treats'. The theme is intended to help candidates to focus and practise their skills for the scholarship day and build a small body of work to supplement their portfolio. We suggest a small selection of relevant still-life objects are used as subject matter. It is intended that this work will give each candidate the opportunity to showcase skills and imagination in their own time, outside of the school context. This work will be talked through at an interview.

We would expect to see a range of skills and approaches, but overall, a strong ability to observe from selected source material. The selected thematic objects should be brought in and used to work from during the scholarship day and should therefore be suitable for transportation! We will provide a selection of still-life objects to supplement any items brought in, if required. The day itself is split into two practical workshops: morning and afternoon. The morning session will be a two hour direct observational drawing onto white A4 or A3 cartridge paper, in pencil, from objects relating to the theme, with an optional one-hour colour response from a different viewpoint, time permitting. The focus is very much on the ability to capture objects realistically, to include good compositional and tonal understanding. In the afternoon, there will be opportunity for a more imaginative interpretation of the theme which should relate to preparatory work. We would hope to see a more adventurous use of media in the afternoon, although it is strongly recommended that this is tried and tested beforehand. Maximum size A2. During the day each candidate will be interviewed by the Head of Art. Candidates should also bring a portfolio of recent work to discuss at interview. This portfolio should contain a sketchbook and a selection of work in whichever field of art the candidate has studied. It is important that the candidate shows independent, sustained work carried out in their own time, as well as school work. We would also like to be able to discuss a visit the candidate has made to see art in real life. In the portfolio, two-dimensional work should be simply mounted. Photographs or slides of three-dimensional work are also acceptable.

A reference will be requested from the candidate's current school in advance. Candidates are welcome to bring in their own art materials, although a broad range will be provided. Regrettably, all work created is for examination purposes and for that reason must be retained by the school.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

Sports scholarships will be awarded to candidates who show exceptional ability in major school sports. In addition to completing the relevant section of the entry form, candidates must submit a curriculum vitae of their sporting achievements to date, together with supplying two written references from external representative bodies from county (or above) or club level.

Scholarships are awarded to pupils competing at county or academy level in their chosen sport. We seek pupils who are not only gifted athletes but committed team players and emerging leaders.

Candidates will be invited to spend a day at Wrekin College where their sporting skills will be assessed, analysed and discussed with our Director Sport and team. Our Wrekin College team will also be looking at teamwork, kindness to others, encouragement, leadership skills and games sense. All candidates can expect a warm-up session with our strength and conditioning coach, before breaking into groups for individual assessment in specialised areas. Our Director of Sport will also meet and interview each candidate. A variety of sports need to be used to assess not only physical literacy, but the ability to pick up new activities. Candidates will be asked to try sports on the day they may not necessarily have tried before.

PERFORMING ARTS/DRAMA SCHOLARSHIP

Candidates should submit an outline of any productions they have participated in and any characters played specifying dates of these performances.

Candidates applying for a Performing Arts Scholarship are required to prepare two contrasting monologues and attend a workshop with the Head of English and Drama for half a day, and all candidates will be required to perform together and individually. Candidates will also be interviewed by the Wrekin College team and must be prepared to do some improvisation.

DANCE SCHOLARSHIP

Candidates applying for a Dance Scholarship are required to prepare two contrasting dances, of their choice, no longer than five minutes each. During the scholarship assessment, our Head of Dance, will be looking at a variety of elements such as knowledge, performance, musicality and technique. The team will also interview each candidate and they will be expected to talk about their love of Dance, performances they have been in and performances they have enjoyed on film, TV or in theatre. Candidates should submit an outline of any productions they have participated in and characters played specifying dates of these performances.

As part of the Dance award programme, successful applicants will be committed to developing their skills and techniques by attending dance during activity sessions and participating in Wrekin Dance events.

PENDLE AWARD

Pendle scholarships are awarded to candidates who demonstrate exceptional all-round ability.

Candidates will not be considered for a Pendle Award unless they have been invited to sit the Academic Scholarship and are entered for at least one other supporting Scholarship in Art, Music, Performing Arts/Drama, Dance and/or Sports.

EXAM DATES

- Pupils sitting an examination for Wrekin College must be registered with the school. If you have not already done so, the Entrance and Scholarship Examinations Application Form should be returned together with a completed Registration Form and payment of the Registration Fee of £120 (including VAT).
- Art or Design, Music, Performing Arts, Dance and Sports Scholarships are taken in addition to the appropriate academic entrance examinations.
- Please complete and return the Entrance and Scholarship Examinations Application Form by the relevant closing date to: Ros Curel, Head of Admissions, Wrekin College, Wellington TF1 3BH.
- On receipt of the candidate's application we will contact their current headteacher for a reference.
- Wrekin College Scholarship examinations can ONLY be taken

- on the dates published.
- Please note that candidates must be registered prior to the examination.
- Entrance Examinations may be taken on other dates by special arrangement with the Headmaster.
- Parents will be notified of results by January 23rd 2026.

Examination Dates

11+ Entrance Examination Monday 10th November 2025

II+ Dance Scholarship Wednesday I2th November 2025

11+ Performing Arts Scholarship Thursday 13th November 2025

I I + Sports Scholarship Friday I4th November 2025

11+ Music Scholarship Wednesday 19th November 2025

I I + Art Scholarship Thursday 20th November 2025

II+ Academic Scholarship (by invitation only)

Saturday 29th November 2025

Closing date for entry: Friday 31st October 2025

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- I. What should I bring with me? A water bottle and pencil case.
- 2. What should I wear on the day? All candidates should wear their current school uniform. unless notified otherwise
- 3. Are refreshments provided on exam days? Refreshments will be provided for candidates throughout the day. Please ensure that you make the Admissions Office aware of any dietary requirements or allergies.

For all admissions enquiries please contact Ros Curel, Head of Admissions.

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