



Summer Term 2017

Dear Parent/carer,

## Hylands School Performing Arts Scholarship Programme

I am delighted to be announcing that Hylands School is launching its first Performing Arts Scholarship Programme for our 2018 year 7 cohort.

In view of the school's tradition of excellence in the Performing Arts, the governors will admit up to 15 students under our new scholarship programme. Any student who shows potential within the arts may apply for a place, whether they are a dancer, musician or have a dramatic or artistic aptitude. Additional training, resources and activities will be provided by the school within the four scholar strands. Students can benefit from:

- Free instrumental or vocal tuition for the duration of the student's scholarship (20mins per week)
- Financial support in hiring a musical instrument of their choice
- A wide and varied extra-curricular enrichment timetable
- Performance opportunities throughout the year
- £100 towards artistic materials
- Access to our brand new dance studio
- Protected curriculum time for the arts subjects at KS3
- Extensive artistic options available at both GCSE and A Level, including dance and both music and music technology
- An increase in number of teachers within the arts

### Assessment Day

Aptitude will be determined on the basis of an assessment in the chosen field of talent(s) indicated by the parent/carer on application. Scholarship applications must be submitted to the school by **Friday 29th September**, forms can be found on the school's website in the admission section. Students can demonstrate their ability in more than one field and will be assessed accordingly. The assessment day will take place on **Saturday 14th October**, if you are unable to attend this day, please contact the school as soon as possible. Students will be required to demonstrate their talents during the day by taking part in a number of performance assessments; further details regarding this day will be emailed and posted to parents by Friday 6th October.

### Admissions details

- It is essential that you complete the Secondary school application form provided by the Essex Education Authority stating the order of preference you have for your child.
- If you put your catchment school down as first choice and Hylands School as your second choice then you could be given a place at your catchment school and not Hylands even though you may have gained entry through the Performing Arts Scholar scheme.
- Results from the selection day will be communicated by so that you have more information prior to making you choices.
- You must return your application form to the Essex Education Authority by the cut-off date of 31st October 2017. Application received after this date will be treated a late.
- The attached scholarship application form must be returned to Miss R Harrington at Hylands School no later than Friday 29th of September.

Yours sincerely

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