

# **Scholarships Policy**

Updated December 2021. Revised for the academic year 2025/26.

## 1. The purpose of this policy

The purpose of the St. Julian's Scholarships Policy is to recognise and celebrate the contribution of students to the life of the school, to nurture and attract talent within the wider community, and to enhance the learning of others in the school community.

Three types of scholarships are in place:

- Scholars' Awards Awarded to current St. Julian's students.
- Lighthouse Awards Awarded to current St. Julian's students.
- Community Scholarships Awarded to members of the wider community.

#### 2. Scholars' Awards

Scholars' Awards will be awarded to students in Year 12 who demonstrate the highest level of attainment, as well as exemplary engagement and outstanding attendance in Year 11 and for the start of the IB Programme. Attainment will be based upon results from IGCSE examinations studied at St. Julian's School. Engagement and attendance will be based on data from school reports and registers. The final decision will lie with the Secondary Principal and Head of School.

There will be up to five Academic Scholarships awarded.

Winners of the Academic Scholarships will receive their prize from a menu of opportunities for summer school or internship programmes during the Summer Holiday, designed to cultivate extension in an area of passion (see below for more details).

# 3. Lighthouse Awards

The Lighthouse Awards are designed to reward and nurture outstanding contributions to the School through playing a significant part in school life and are designed to recognise contribution and talent, foster a commitment to school life and encourage student retention. There will be up to five Lighthouse Awards in each academic year.

Students are identified by the school in Year 12 based on a portfolio showing:

Full commitment to school (excellent engagement and attendance).

- Significant and active contributions to school life.
- A commitment to developing potential in a particular area of talent/passion.
- A commitment to enhancing the lives of others in the school/community.

For 2025/26, students in Year 13 will also be invited to apply.

Winners of the Lighthouse Award will receive their prize from a menu of opportunities for summer school or internship programmes in the Summer Holiday, designed to cultivate extension in an area of passion (see below for more details).

## 4. Community Scholarships

The Anniversary Community Scholarships are awarded to students from the local community who are not currently attending St. Julian's School and who would not typically have access to private or international school education. These scholarships are means-tested and merit-based, awarded following an interview, testing, and the submission of a portfolio demonstrating:

- Commitment to learning and academic ability.
- Commitment to school life, broader community involvement, and excellence in a specific area such as sports or performing arts.
- Evidence of significant contributions at their current school.
- Evidence of how the student will contribute to the St. Julian's School community.
- A level of English that can be developed to support success in the IB Diploma at St. Julian's.

Up to two Anniversary Scholarships of up to 100% discount per academic year will be awarded each year. The recipient(s) will be awarded the title of the St Julian's Anniversary Scholar appropriate to the year of graduation. Applications will be welcome from students currently completing 9° in Portuguese schools and will join our Pre-IB programme in Year 11.

#### 5. Final note

The School reserves the right not to award any of the above-mentioned scholarships if the criteria are not met.

The awarding of the Scholarship Award and the Lighthouse Award to current students does not exclude the recipients' ability to apply for additional financial support, which may result in a reduction of tuition fees. Please see the separate Bursaries Policy for further details on how to apply for financial aid.

## Appendix 1 - Process for 2025/26

#### Scholars' Awards

Awards will be announced around 14 September 2025.

#### St. Julian's Lighthouse Awards for Years 12 and 13

All students will be made aware of the award and will be invited to apply. Tutors and the Heads of Year will be asked to provide feedback on the extent to which students have demonstrated:

- Full commitment to school (excellent engagement and attendance).
- An active and significant part in school life.

Students will be asked to submit a document giving a brief overview of the way in which they have demonstrated:

- A commitment to developing potential in a particular area of talent/passion.
- A commitment to enhancing the lives of others in the school/community.

Applicants will be shortlisted based on the initial submission. Shortlisted students will be invited to make a presentation to further explain their area of talent or passion and how they have enhanced school life. The awards will be made following these presentations and deliberation by a committee made up of school leaders and teachers.

Applications will be invited in September and decisions made before the end of the Spring Term.

For 2026/26 only, Year 13 will also be invited to apply.

- 14 September 2025 Year 12 & 13 Students invited to apply for Lighthouse Award
- 10 November 2025 Deadline for Year 13 (winners will be notified within two weeks).
- 12 January 2026 Deadline for Year 12 (winners will be notified within two weeks).

#### **Scholarship Prizes**

- Internship with Invest In Internships in London up to a value of £2,500 to include the course fee, accommodation and flights.
- Contribution to a range of summer school programmes to be chosen by the student (and approved by the Secondary Principal and Head of School) for up to a value of £2,500.

# Appendix 2 - Anniversary Community Scholarships

The Scholarships will be advertised within our school community and beyond. The means-tested applications will be reviewed by the Bursaries & Discounts Subcommittee.

Portfolio applications should be limited to two A4 pages (images can be included in addition). The application should be written in English and include evidence of the criteria outlined above.

Portfolio applications will be reviewed by a panel of school leaders appointed by the Head of School. Shortlisted students will be invited to interview with the Head of School and Secondary Principal. The application process will be managed through the Admissions Office.

- 30 January 2026 Deadline to submit Scholarship Applications
- 13 May 2026 Meeting of the Bursary & Scholarships Committee
- 15 May 2026 Admissions office to notify the applicants.

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