

Media & Communication Scholarship Programme

Do you...

Think about things from a creative perspective?

Exude confidence and enthusiasm when working collaboratively in a team?

Have an interest in film, media and creative writing?

Then this scholarship needs you!

**Workshops will be held each
July**



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Media & Communication Scholarship requirements

In order to apply for our Media & Communication Scholarship Programme you should demonstrate ALL or MOST of these skills and attributes:

- ⇒ A natural flair for English
- ⇒ Articulate and confident speaker
- ⇒ A reading age that is higher than actual age
- ⇒ Excellent spelling, punctuation and grammar skills
- ⇒ Be a deep, critical thinker particularly around context of texts/topics
- ⇒ Perceptive analysis skills and the ability to interpret meaning
- ⇒ Ability to write for a purpose and audience
- ⇒ Have a wider cultural understanding and interest in social, political, historical context
- ⇒ Focused, ambitious and resilient to feedback

What does the Scholarship mean for me?

At St Matthew Academy we allow every child's light to shine and we recognise that every pupil will shine in a very different way. Pupils who demonstrate a natural gift or aptitude for Media & Communication will be offered the following:

- ⇒ Daily access to our state-of-the-art media and editing suite.
- ⇒ Author meet and greets & inspirational talks by well known media professionals.
- ⇒ Master classes to support creative writing.
- ⇒ Access to 1:1 coaching from expert writers three times per calendar year.
- ⇒ Trips to local and national media events.
- ⇒ Collaborative filmmaking projects.
- ⇒ Introduction to photography.
- ⇒ Entry into national film making competitions.

Within the curriculum

- ⇒ Opportunities for student leadership within class (e.g leading on presenting/delivering)
- ⇒ Opportunities to use digital software to enrich their learning
- ⇒ Film GCSE offer

And not only this! You will also have the opportunity to become an integral member of the following successful after school clubs:

- ⇒ SMA news team, reporting on all academy wide events.
- ⇒ Photoshop workshops

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How do I apply? What else do I need to do?



How to apply:

Once potential scholars have a confirmed place at our academy from the relevant local authority, pupils will be invited in for an audition later in the year to secure their place on the scholarship programme.

Pupils will need to sign up with the Admissions Officer to confirm their attendance.

Each applicant should prepare a 2 minute speech to deliver during the audition outlining the reasons why they are a suitable candidate for the scholarship. They will also participate in a live debate and work in a small groups to create a short film.

Expectations of a Media & Communication Scholar

At St Matthew Academy we have incredibly high expectations of all of our pupils and it is expected that our scholars demonstrate these at all times.

Media & Communication Scholars are expected to:

- ⇒ Be a role model to other pupils both inside and outside the classroom
- ⇒ Participate in extra-curricular clubs and competitions run by the English and Media departments
- ⇒ Contribute to the wider school community as a Reading Mentor
- ⇒ Read widely for academic attainment and pleasure
- ⇒ Maintain a high level of attainment, effort and behaviour academically
- ⇒ Lead discussion and debate within class and contribute verbally in every lesson
- ⇒ Always complete homework to a high and often creative standard
- ⇒ Be prepared to be a leader and act as an ambassador for the school

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Let your light shine

**Winners of Jack Petchey
'Speak Out' challenge 2018 +
Winners and Runners Up 2019**



**Two pupils commended
in the 'Author of
tomorrow' competition**



**SMA news team hard at
work on the latest issue**



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