

Specialist Scholarship Program

Information Booklet for 2017 and 2018

(For students who are not currently attending St Paul's School)

Specialist Scholarships:

For students currently in Years 7-11

For entry into Years 7-11 in Term 3 2017

and

For students currently in Years 6-10

For entry into Years 7-11 in Term 1 2018

All Applications are to be submitted to the Headmaster by 4.00pm on Friday 3 March 2017

Introduction

At St Paul's School our vision is to be leading in educational thinking and practice.

We believe that each person is uniquely crafted in the image of our creator God, each with gifts, talents, strengths and weaknesses. From birth we are on a journey towards the fulfilment of our God-given purpose. We were designed to be relational beings (both socially and spiritually), interacting with the world which has been entrusted to our care and interacting with each other in community. Learning is a result of our interaction with each other and our world. The more we embrace life, the more we seek to discover or create, the more we learn and the greater is our potential.

Learning is a life-long pursuit, or journey, of which the years of formal education form a small part. St Paul's School is a student-centred Anglican community preparing balanced global citizens with a heart for servant leadership. The School believes that the purpose of education is to:

- create an environment whereby students can discover their identity and their gifts and talents without a fear of failure: students should come to an understanding that success in life is the result of the ability to take risks. Often the greatest discoveries have been made through a mistake;
- prepare students to become responsible and contributing global citizens in the increasingly complex world economy: students should leave St Paul's School with a strong sense of empathy and a conviction to act when they see injustice and inequity, always seeking to put others, rather than themselves, at the centre of the community;
- facilitate the growth of the whole person: students should have the opportunity to grow academically, socially, emotionally, physically, aesthetically and spiritually;
- develop in young people the confidence to shape the future: students should be given opportunities to be flexible, to be able to discern change and adapt to their local environment without losing sight of their moral and ethical grounding: students are encouraged to dream, imagine and create a future whereby their sense of fulfilment is attained;
- develop in each student the fruits of the spirit: students should embrace love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control as characteristics that will enable them to interact, communicate, relate to and serve others in community in an edifying and purposeful manner;
- challenge students intellectually: students should stretch their minds and imagination, critique, think collaboratively, analyse and communicate their knowledge and understandings and open pathways for future learning and opportunities.

These beliefs are underpinned by our values: Faith, Learning and Community.

Scholarship Program

Families of students currently in Years 6-11, who are **not** currently attending St Paul's School, are invited to be part of our School community by applying for a Specialist Scholarship.

Students in Years 7-11 2017 may apply for entry into Years 7-11 in Term 3 2017.

Students in Years 6-10 2017 may apply for entry into Years 7-11 in Term 1 2018.

Each offer of a Scholarship is subject to the completion of a successful enrolment interview which requires full disclosure of any special needs or learning disabilities.

The School reserves the right to determine annually the School's Scholarship offerings (ie. how many and/or which fields).

Scholarship recipients will be reviewed annually and where expectations are not met, the student will be asked to justify the continuance of his/her Scholarship.

The 2017 and 2018 Scholarships will attract up to 50% remission on tuition fees for the duration of the student's schooling to the end of Year 12.

A student can only hold one Scholarship at any one time.

Scholarships Offered

St Paul's is offering Specialist Scholarships in four categories:

1. Creativity
2. Innovation
3. Sport
4. Vocational

Specialist Scholarships

St Paul's School is a leader in educational thinking and practice. It is preparing balanced global citizens to live in the 21st century. To this end, the people of tomorrow's world need to be innovative, creative problem solvers.

Specialist Scholarship recipients will be students who are outstanding in their area of speciality.

Specialist Scholarships are only available to students who are not currently attending St Paul's School.

Scholarships will be offered to students who are in Years 7-11 2017 for entry in Term 3 2017, or to students who are in Years 6-10 2017 for entry into Term 1 2018.

Categories of Specialist Scholarships

There are four Specialist Scholarship categories for 2017 and 2018:

1. **Creativity Scholarships:** for students who excel in creative writing, visual art, music, drama or dance etc.
2. **Innovation Scholarships:** for students who excel in science, mathematics, design and technology or ICT or entrepreneurialism.
3. **Sport Scholarships:** for students who excel in a given sport.
4. **Vocational Scholarships:** for students who are wishing to follow a vocational educational pathway in Years 11 and 12.

Expectations of all Specialist Scholarship Recipients

Students who are awarded a Specialist Scholarship are required to meet the following expectations:

1. Enrol to study in the subject in which they have been awarded a Specialist Scholarship;
2. Be an active participant in the extra-curricular life of the School;
3. Support the ethos and expectations of students outlined in the School's Global Citizenship program;
4. Participate in the School's Service Learning Program;
5. Maintain a satisfactory academic record;
6. Hold at least a Blue Level in the School's Responsible Citizenship Program.

Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview. Successful interviewed applicants will receive a letter of offer from the Headmaster. All unsuccessful applicants will receive notification.

Refer to the attached pages for application instructions, selection criteria & shortlisting details for each of the four Scholarship categories.

Creativity Scholarships and Innovation Scholarships

Application instructions for Creativity Scholarships and Innovation Scholarships

1. **Each applicant must register to sit the St Paul's School Academic Scholarship exam. The exam will be held at St Paul's School on Saturday 11 March 2017.** To register for the exam, visit the Edutest website via the link on the School's website <http://www.stpauls.qld.edu.au/new-parents/enrolments/scholarships/>. The payment for the exam is \$90 and is borne by the family of the student wishing to sit the exam. This money is not refundable.
2. Each applicant is also required to complete the Specialist Scholarship application form. The application form is located at the end of this document.
3. A **copy** of the applicant's most recent school report must be submitted with the application.
4. Applications should be submitted to the School by the due date: **4.00pm on Friday 3 March 2017.**
5. All applications should be addressed as follows and sealed in an envelope marked "confidential":

The Headmaster
St Paul's School
34 Strathpine Road
BALD HILLS QLD 4036

Selection Criteria for Creativity and Innovation Scholarships

Innovation Scholarships and Creativity Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the student's ability to meet the following:

- Demonstrated excellence in a chosen subject area;
- Demonstrated ability to create something new, a solution, work of art, piece of music, etc. which has some kind of value; or a demonstrated ability to create better or more effective products, solutions to problems, processes or ideas that can be used;
- Willingness to support the values and life of the School. This includes the School's Extra-curricular Programs and Service Learning Program.

Shortlisting for Creativity and Innovation Scholarships

The School will review all Creativity and Innovation Scholarship applications as well as the Academic Scholarship exam results of the applicants. Those shortlisted will be contacted to attend an interview.

If selected for an interview:

- Students are asked to bring with them to the interview a portfolio for evaluation by the Scholarship panel. The portfolio should include supporting documentation, work samples, testimonials (eg. tutor reports or references), certificates, awards, evidence beyond which is required for the initial application;
- Students applying for a Creativity Scholarship in either music or dance need to come adequately prepared to perform a piece of the student's choosing. If you need accompanying music for a piece please bring it with you, cued to the correct place. Interviews for these Scholarships will take place in the School's Music Centre. The Centre has a large performance area with a piano. Other instruments are also available, upon request, if you are unable to bring your own.

Sport Scholarships

Application instructions for Sport Scholarships

1. **Each applicant must register to sit the St Paul's School Academic Scholarship exam. The exam will be held at St Paul's School on Saturday 11 March 2017.** To register for the exam, visit the Edutest website via the link on the School's website <http://www.stpauls.qld.edu.au/new-parents/enrolments/scholarships/>. The payment for the exam is \$90 and is borne by the family of the student wishing to sit the exam. This money is not refundable.
2. Each applicant is also required to complete the Specialist Scholarship application form. The application form is located at the end of this document.
3. A **copy** of the applicant's most recent school report must be submitted with the application.
4. Details of the applicant's sporting achievements along with a testimonial from his/her sporting club or coach should be included.
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Selection Criteria for Sport Scholarships

Scholarships for Sport Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the student's ability to meet the following:

- Demonstrated excellence in their chosen sport;
- Willingness to support the values and life of the School. This includes the School's Extra-curricular Programs and Service Learning Program.

Shortlisting for Sport Scholarships

The School will review all Sport Scholarship applications as well as the Academic Scholarship exam results of the applicants. Those shortlisted will be contacted to attend an interview.

If selected for an interview:

- Students are asked to bring with them to the interview a portfolio for evaluation by the Scholarship panel. The portfolio should include supporting documentation, work samples, testimonials (eg. references), certificates, awards, evidence beyond which is required for the initial application.

Vocational Scholarships

Application instructions for Vocational Scholarships

1. **Each applicant must register to sit the St Paul's School Academic Scholarship exam. The exam will be held at St Paul's School on Saturday 11 March 2017.** To register for the exam, visit the Edutest website via the link on the School's website <http://www.stpauls.qld.edu.au/new-parents/enrolments/scholarships/http://www.stpauls.qld.edu.au/> The payment for the exam is \$90 and is borne by the family of the student wishing to sit the exam. This money is not refundable.
2. Each applicant is also required to complete the Specialist Scholarship application form. The application form is located at the end of this document.
3. A **copy** of the applicant's most recent school report must be submitted with the application.
4. Applications should be submitted to the School by the due date: **4.00pm on Friday 3 March 2017.**
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Selection Criteria for Vocational Scholarships

Scholarships for Vocational Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the student's ability to meet the following:

- Demonstrated excellence in their chosen pathway;
- Willingness to support the values and life of the School. This includes the School's Extra-curricular Programs and Service Learning Program.

Shortlisting for Vocational Scholarships

The School will review all Vocational Scholarship applications as well as the Academic Scholarship exam results of the applicants. Those shortlisted will be contacted to attend an interview.

If selected for an interview:

- Students are asked to bring with them to the interview a portfolio for evaluation by the Scholarship panel. The portfolio should include supporting documentation, work samples, testimonials (eg. Tutor reports or references), certificates, awards, evidence beyond which is required for the initial application.

Specialist Scholarship Application Form

For students currently in Years 7-11, for entry into Years 7-11 in Term 3 2017
For students currently in Years 6-10, for entry into Years 7-11 in Term 1 2018

Student's first name

Student's last name

Date of birth

Current year level (ie. Yr 6 2016)

Mother's first name

Mother's last name

Address

No. and Street:

Suburb:

Post Code:

Phone number

Home:

Mobile:

Father's first name

Father's last name

Address

No. and Street:

Suburb:

Post Code:

Phone number

Home:

Mobile:

Which scholarship are you applying for? Creativity Innovation Sport Vocational

Which entry level are you applying for? (ie. Yr 7 in T1 2018 etc.)

Which subject area/s do you specialise or excel in?

The student is to complete this section in 250 handwritten words or less: In the section below, outline your passion for the subject and why you think you should be awarded a Creativity, Innovation, Sport or Vocational Scholarship (attach a separate page if necessary).

Please attach evidence to support the selection criteria (no more than two pages). This could include copies of excerpts from current reports, eg. grades, competition results, photographic evidence etc. Please do not include original documents.