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# St Andrew's Cathedral School Scholarships

Information on scholarships offered



Each year, St Andrew's Cathedral School offers scholarships in the following categories:

- Academic scholarships
- Music scholarships
- Clergy Bursaries
- Indigenous scholarships (Kindergarten entry only into the Gawura School)
- Cathedral Choir scholarships

*All scholarships are reviewed annually and carry a set of high expectations, which are discussed in more detail through the scholarship application process.*

*The school expects that the privilege of receiving a scholarship will build responsible attitudes, develop leadership potential and enable students to take a positive role in school life.*

*For more information on our scholarships, or to view and download application forms, please visit*

<http://www.sacs.nsw.edu.au/contentpages/scholarships>

Alternately, please contact our Registrar:

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## Academic scholarships

The school offers a number of Academic scholarships each year (at a range of discount levels from 10 per cent through to 100 per cent) to students entering Years 5 to 6 and Year 7. Academic scholarships are open to students presently enrolled at the school and to students wishing to enter St Andrew's Cathedral School.

The school expects all Academic Scholarship holders to display a high standard of achievement and to take a full and constructive role in school life.

### Year 7 Academic scholarship

Scholarships are awarded dependent on the results of the ACER Scholarship examination, and an interview with the School Registrar.

Applications usually close in early February in the year before entry (Year 6), and the ACER test is run towards the end of February. The application fee is \$110.

### Junior School Academic scholarship

The Junior School Academic Scholarship (Years 5 and 6) applications close in April, the year before entry. Shortlisted students are interviewed by a panel that generally includes the Head of Junior School and a member of the Gifted and Talented Education Programme staff.

An application fee of \$110 applies for those students shortlisted for an interview.

### Year 7 Claremont scholarship

Students seeking to attend St Andrew's who are currently enrolled in Claremont College are invited to apply for the Claremont Scholarship. This is in recognition of the excellent relationship between the two schools.



Please complete the Application for Claremont Scholarship form and return it with all the relevant documentation by the end of February when the student is in Year 6.

The process is an application, available on our website, and then an ACER exam, which is normally run at Claremont College.

## Music scholarships

Music scholarships (at a range of discount levels from 10 per cent through to 100 per cent) are offered to encourage students with instrumental or vocal proficiency, or students who may be particularly gifted in music theory.

Scholarships are awarded to students entering Years 4 to 6 and Years 7 to 11 to strengthen the already strong music programme in the school. Music scholarships are open to students presently enrolled at the school and to students wishing to enter St Andrew's Cathedral School. Scholarships are subject to an audition with a panel including the Head of Music and an interview with the School Registrar.

Applications are available on our website and are generally due around the end of February.

A non-refundable audition fee of \$110 must accompany the application, together with the accompanist's fee of \$20, if applicable.

## Clergy bursary scholarship

The Council of St Andrew's Cathedral School offers tuition fee discounts to members of the ordained Anglican clergy serving in full-time Christian ministry in order to support their desire to educate their children at St Andrew's Cathedral School.

The availability of discounts is limited and at the discretion of the school.

Tuition fee remission is based on the total family unit income and other factors as outlined in the relevant application form, which is available from the St Andrew's Cathedral School Registrar's Office.

## Cathedral Choristers scholarships

Choristers of St Andrew's Cathedral form the treble line of the internationally renowned St Andrew's Cathedral Choir of men and boys.

Choristers of St Andrew's Cathedral attend St Andrew's Cathedral School. After a probationary period, Choristers receive a scholarship, currently worth 50 per cent off the school tuition fees in return for singing at Cathedral services (probationers receive a 25 per cent discount).

### Choir commitments

There is one choral service each Sunday morning and two evening services on Mondays and Thursdays (over by 7.30pm). Choristers practise before school on Tuesdays to Fridays. The Choir observes the normal school holidays but is required to sing up to Christmas Day each year and also Easter Day. Other duties, such as concerts, recordings and big state services are also a feature of Choir life.

### Chorister requirements

Choristers need to be of Junior School age when joining the choir and they normally stay in the Choir for as long as their treble voice lasts or until the end of Year 8 or 9 (whichever comes sooner). It is not necessary to be a member of the Anglican Church, but obviously there needs to be a commitment to the Cathedral during the time in the Choir, and we encourage parents to get involved where they can.

## Auditioning for the Choir

At the audition, potential is looked for rather than achievement. This includes a clear and pleasant tone, a good musical 'ear', and a satisfactory range. The ability to read music is not a prerequisite because this is taught in the probationary period. In this regard, learning a musical instrument is a definite advantage and is strongly encouraged. You may bring a song or two to sing at the audition (with its accompaniment) but it is not essential. Good reading ability for the student's age is essential and at the audition, the student will be given a passage to read out loud, as well as some aural tests. As parents have such a key role in the success of their child's time in the Choir, it is essential that they are part of the interview process.

### Other skills

Choristers need to have concentration skills, to be alert and to be quick learners. They also need to conduct themselves in a mature manner when on duty. At the very least, empathy for Christianity is desirable. Social skills are also important because the members of the Choir spend a great deal of time together, working as a team.

## Indigenous scholarships

Scholarships are awarded to a small number of Indigenous students entering Kindergarten in our Gawura School.

More information on our Gawura School and the enrolment process is located on the Gawura Website at:

[www.gawura.nsw.edu.au](http://www.gawura.nsw.edu.au)

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