



SHERBORNE BOYS

13+ Academic Scholarship

Our approach combines written papers with richer observed evaluation to reveal genuine academic potential and academic agility, encompassing problem-solving, collaboration, curiosity and reflection. The aim is for every candidate to leave with a positive, inspiring and academically serious impression of Sherborne.

The Assessment

Written Papers	Observed Activities	Interviews and Experience
<p>English (Reading Comprehension & Descriptive/Narrative Writing)</p> <p>Mathematics</p> <p>Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics combined)</p> <p>General Scholarship Paper (Humanities, ethics/philosophy, interdisciplinary reasoning, persuasive writing)</p>	<p>Group task 1 (self-initiated research, preparation, and written or verbal presentation)</p> <p>Group task 2 (problem-solving / logic / UKLO-style tasks)</p> <p>Structured reflection (supporting holistic judgement and candidate feedback)</p>	<p>Academic interview (unseen stimulus text, candidates bring a piece of academic work)</p> <p>Meet the Head (reflection on the Sherborne experience)</p> <p>STEAM Group challenge</p> <p>Q&A with current Scholars (panel discussion with High Academic performance/ Scholars)</p>

Two-Day Format (provisional timetable)

Day 1 (All Day)	Day 2 (Half Day)
<p>Morning - Welcome; English & Maths Scholarship papers</p> <p>Afternoon - Carousel: Academic interviews (15 mins incl. unseen stimulus response); Meet the Head; Group tasks</p> <p>Evening - Carousel Fun combined group STEAM challenge experience OR Fun combined Professor Chronos and Professor Quantum escape room game; Panel with current High Academic Performance / Academic Scholars</p>	<p>Morning - Science & General Scholarship Paper;</p> <p>Reflection, Self-Evaluation & Feedback</p>

Financial Award: Scholarships and other non-means tested awards carry a maximum of 10% remission of the day or boarding fee (as applicable), excluding extras and VAT.