



Wisdom Service Hope

# St Mary's and St John's CE School

*"With God, all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26)*

Primary Headteacher: Aaron Doherty  
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24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers

## Performing Arts Scholarship Opportunities at SMSJ for Secondary Transfer 2027

If you are considering SMSJ Secondary Phase, we are excited to inform you of the opportunity for your child to **apply for a Performing Arts Scholarship for September 2027**. It is available for talented students in music, drama, and dance. The Scholarship Offer provides paid tuition in addition to partaking in various performances and trips throughout the academic year. Please find further information on our school [website](#).

[Applications](#) for the Performing Arts Scholarship for Secondary Transfer (September 2027 entry to Year 7) may be submitted from Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February to Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026.

All applications **must** be submitted online by **5pm Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2026** with **only one specialism** per named applicant accepted.

Assessment dates:

Music Specialism	Date
Music Test 1	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2026
Music Test 2	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dance / Drama Specialism	Date
Dance	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2026
Drama	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026

Although scholarship places are limited, we would like to reassure students, parents and carers that those who are not successful will still be warmly encouraged to take part in the school's wider Performing Arts programme.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

Yours sincerely

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