



MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

SPORTS AWARDS (16+)

MCS aims to support applications from boys and girls who believe they have considerable sporting potential and who would thrive on the combination of a first-class academic and sporting education.

Scholarships are honorary in nature and do not carry a financial benefit. For financial assistance with fees, please look at our means-tested [Bursary scheme](#).

Sport Scholars require:

- a genuine love of sport
- speed, agility, balance and co-ordination
- a sound understanding of tactical and technical aspects of the game
- a positive attitude to training and open-minded approach to coaching.

In return, Award holders enjoy:

- top level coaching
- access to strength and conditioning programmes
- use of video analysis
- broad opportunities for a variety of sporting involvement
- a genuine interest in pupil development through individual mentoring.

Candidates will be encouraged to show particular potential in at least one of MCS's Focus Sports. These are: Rugby, Football, Hockey, Netball, Cricket and Tennis.

These awards are still about potential, but we would expect 16+ candidates to have a greater understanding of their first-choice sport and to be excelling in this area. Those wishing to be considered for the scholarship award should be:

- capable of playing for two years in an MCS 1st Team for their chosen sport
- capable of playing to at least county standard in their first-choice sport
- ambitious to play sport beyond MCS and to have already shown a commitment to this.



How to apply

Return the application form – along with a letter of recommendation from the candidate's Head of Sport – by **8.30am on Friday 9th October 2026**. Candidates will be invited to attend the 16+ Sports Assessments, which are on **Saturday 7th November 2026**.