



**TARA**  
Anglican School for Girls



## Scholarships at Tara

Tara Anglican School for Girls offers a number of scholarships to students who can demonstrate cocurricular achievements and strong academic performance.

Students must excel in music performance to be eligible for the music scholarships. Scholarships are also offered to assist families with limited financial resources. In keeping with Tara's tradition of inclusion and recognition of outstanding individuals, we are pleased to offer a number of scholarships to cover part or full tuition or boarding fees to girls in Senior School.

*"Tara offers scholarships to students that demonstrate excellence, combined with a high degree of personal commitment and involvement in a range of activities. Students benefit from scholarships because their particular interest and abilities are recognised and valued, and they are given the opportunity to flourish. Our school and other students also gain from the contribution made by these students to our community. Parents can be confident they are providing an opportunity for their daughter to be part of a school where Christian values are foundational, the learning culture is one committed to the pursuit of excellence and their daughter will be enveloped in the school culture of affirmation, service, opportunity and integrity."*

Mrs Susan Middlebrook  
Principal of Tara Anglican School for Girls

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### Requirements for Scholarships Commencing in 2023

- Open to Australian Citizens and Permanent Residents of Australia, to commence enrolment in Term 1, 2023.
- Applications open on Friday, 1 October 2021 and close on Friday, 4 February 2022. Late applications will not be considered.
- AAS scholarship examinations will be held at Tara on Saturday, 19 February 2022.
- Music auditions will be held at Tara on Wednesday 23 February 2022.
- AAS registration fee \$130, payable at the time of registration.
- All scholarship applicants must sit the academic examination. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to interview with our Principal during Term 1, 2022. Successful applicants will be required to complete an application for enrolment, incurring the current enrolment fee.
- Students who commence at Tara on a scholarship are expected to continue their enrolment until Year 12 graduation.

## Scholarship Examinations

Academic Assessment Services (AAS) have been providing academic assessment services to schools for over 40 years. The AAS Scholarship program assesses students in:

- Abstract Reasoning and Problem Solving – this test assesses the ability to reason with and analyse information using verbal, mathematical, figural and spatial concepts.
- Mathematics Achievement and Reasoning – for Primary and Junior Secondary students these tests assess curriculum-related mathematics tasks and mathematical reasoning tasks. Middle and Senior Secondary students are assessed on mathematics reasoning tasks. These are different to curriculum-based mathematics and focus on problem-solving skills.
- Reading Comprehension – this test assesses the ability to remember, locate, analyse, evaluate, derive and combine text propositions with fiction and non-fiction texts of increasing complexity.
- Written Expression – this test assesses students' facility with written language. A stimulus is provided for students to produce a piece of writing in a particular genre (e.g. narrative or argument) depending on the requirements of the School.

For more information on test preparation please [visit the AAS website](#).

## Requirements

**Academic Scholarships** are awarded each year to applicants commencing in Years 7 or 9, open to both current Tara students and external applicants, who demonstrate academic excellence in the scholarship examination, and who can discuss at interview their ability to make a positive and significant contribution to the life of the School.

**Music Scholarships** are awarded each year to applicants commencing in Year 7, open to both current Tara students and external applicants, who demonstrate one of the following proficiencies, supported by an AMEB, Trinity or equivalent certificate,

- Piano at Grade 6 or above; or
- Oboe, Bassoon, Viola, Double bass, French Horn, Trombone, Tuba, Percussion or Voice at a sufficiently high standard; or
- All other instruments at Grade 5 or above.

Students who achieve a Music scholarship with Tara are expected to participate fully in the musical life of Tara, including performing in appropriate musical ensembles and study music consistently through to Year 12.

**Foundation Scholarships** are awarded each year to applicants commencing in Year 7 and are open to both current Tara students and external applicants. This scholarship is means-tested for financial reasons, for candidates not otherwise able to attend Tara.

**Boarding Scholarships** are awarded each year to external applicants only, from regional areas, commencing in Years 7 through to 11. Families must be able to provide evidence of their home address being in a regional area of Australia, outside of Sydney.

## Examination Day

The AAS Scholarship Examination will be held at Tara on Saturday 19 February 2022. Testing will be conducted between 8:45 am and 12:30 pm, please arrive no later than 8:20 am.

Parents will be welcome to join a School tour commencing at 9:00 am.

To apply for a Tara scholarship please [visit our website](#), or for more information contact our enrolments team, on 02 9630 6655 or [scholarships@tara.nsw.edu.au](mailto:scholarships@tara.nsw.edu.au)