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Dear Year 8 Parents,

As you may be aware, Ampleforth College has a system of Development Awards (in Years 7 and 8) and Basil Hume Scholarships (in Years 9 to 11) in recognition of academic ability or potential in certain disciplines. In the Sixth Form, our Senior Scholarships programme offers bespoke coaching to students with exceptional talents in a particular discipline.

Tutors and Departments have made all Year 8 pupils aware that they can apply for Academic, Art, Design & Technology, Dance, Drama, Music, or Sport Scholarships in Year 9. If your son/daughter wishes to be considered, or is uncertain whether to apply, please speak with their Tutor, relevant Head of Department, or Scholarship Mentor (for those with Development Awards) before completing an application form.

Detailed information about Basil Hume Scholarships and the assessments can be found in the scholarship booklets on our website here: [Ampleforth College - Scholarships](http://www.ampleforthcollege.org.uk/scholarships). Application forms are available [here](#). Applications can be made for more than one scholarship, but due to the commitment required of our scholars, it is not possible for a pupil to hold more than two awards. The scholarship fee is not applicable to internal applicants.

The deadline for Basil Hume Scholarship applications is Saturday 31 October 2026 with assessments held on Thursday 26 – Friday 27 November 2026. We will support your child in preparing for the scholarship - further details will be provided on receipt of an application.

Basil Hume Scholarships are prestigious, and scholars are expected to demonstrate a strong contribution and leadership in their field of interest. They are also expected to make the most of the many opportunities on offer to further their talents - each scholar is assigned a personal Scholarship Mentor to monitor and support their progress.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes

Hannah

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