

We invite all current and new students to apply for Scholarships for entry in 2021.

Who can apply?

Scholarship applications are open to all current and future students entering Years 5 – 11 in 2021. Students may apply for more than one scholarship. Applications are open to Australian citizens and permanent residents only. All applicants must sit the Academic Assessment Services scholarship test and have attended a school tour or participated in the Try Us for a Day program prior to making an application.

Scholarships available in 2021

Academic

Academic Scholarships are awarded to girls who demonstrate strong academic capabilities, based on the results of the scholarship test, a portfolio and if required, an interview with the Principal.

General Excellence

General Excellence Scholarships are awarded to girls who will make a significant contribution to the life of the School. This may be through participation in sport, performing arts, community engagement or similar. This award is based on the results of the scholarship test, a portfolio and, if required, an interview with the Principal.

Music

Music Scholarship applicants are also required to sit the scholarship test, submit a portfolio and attend a music audition. These scholarships are awarded either in the form of music tuition fees *for a particular instrument that is taught* at the school or in combination with academic or general excellence scholarships. Applicants will be asked to provide the name(s) and contact details of their current music (instrument) teacher. Applicants will be required to prepare two pieces differing in style and tempo for their first instrument and, where applicable, one piece for their second instrument. Aural testing and an interview will also occur during the audition.

If the applicant requires an accompanist during the performance, they must make their own arrangements. Applicants will need to bring a copy of their most recent music examination report(s), a written report from their current music (instrument) teacher and information that demonstrates their involvement in the Performing Arts either within or outside their current school.

Key Dates

Sunday 1 September 2019

Scholarship applications open

Saturday 7 September 2019

Open Day 9.00am-12.00pm

All applicants must have attended a School tour or an Open Day or participated in the Try Us for a Day program prior to making an application.

Acceptance of a scholarship will be required within two business days of the offer being made and tours of the school will not be possible during the offer period.

Friday 11 October 2019

Closing date for applications

Portfolios including copies of student reports and a handwritten letter to the Principal outlining why they wish to attend Korowa must be received by this date, and addressed to:

Director of Enrolments
Scholarship Applications
Korowa Anglican Girls' School
10-16 Ranfurly Crescent
Glen Iris, Victoria, 3146

Saturday 26 October 2019

Scholarship Testing Day

8.15am - 12.30pm

Monday 28 October 2019

Music scholarship auditions

The Music Department will contact families on Monday 22 October to arrange an audition time.

How to Apply

1. Complete the scholarship application form online via the School website. All applicants are required to register for the academic scholarship regardless of which scholarship is being applied for.
2. Submit a portfolio by Friday 11 October 2019. The portfolio should be a brief representation of the student's most important achievements. The following must form part of the portfolio:
 - a. A handwritten letter, written by the applicant and in the student's own words, to Principal Mrs Carmody outlining why they wish to attend Korowa.
 - b. Copy of the most recent school report
 - c. Copy of most recent NAPLAN results
 - d. Copy of any relevant supporting documentation; certificates, awards, photos of trophies.
(Please do not send original items to the School as portfolios are not returned to applicants.)
3. Attend the Scholarship test on testing day – Saturday 26 October 2019, 8.15am - 12.30pm.
4. Attend music auditions for musical scholarship applicants – Monday 28 October 2019. Applicants will be notified by Tuesday 22 October of their audition time.
5. Shortlisted candidates may be invited to an interview with the Principal, if required.

On Testing Day

Registration begins at 8.15am at Korowa. Students and parents gather for a briefing.

Students then move to the testing areas. Parents are not permitted to accompany their child to the testing areas. After the briefing, parents are invited to stay for morning tea with the Principal and other members of staff, or they may return at the end of the testing at 12.30pm to collect their child.

Students should bring along two pencils and two pens, either black or blue, and a water bottle.

Juice and biscuits will be provided during the break, however if a student has any particular dietary requirements, they should provide their own snack.

Students should also bring along any medication as appropriate and asthma/anaphylaxis action plans and make themselves known to the staff on the morning of testing day.

After Testing Day

Short listed candidates will be contacted within six weeks of testing.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome in writing thereafter.

Please note that scholarship results are not shared with applicants.

Please Note:

- Please be aware that should the Principal offer your child a scholarship, acceptance is required within two business days of the offer together with the application (\$150), enrolment (\$1300) and holding fees (\$2500). The School requires a holding fee of \$2500 per scholarship place. This fee will be credited against Term 2 tuition fees in the year of entry. Should the student not take up the place, the application, enrolment and holding fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- The scholarship covers a fee remission on tuition fees only. The Principal will determine the fee remission at time of interview and this may range from 25% to 50%. All other costs are charged as per the business regulations. Please note that Korowa does not offer full scholarships at any level, nor are scholarships negotiable.
- We expect that all scholarship recipients demonstrate a strong and abiding commitment to Korowa, therefore families are expected to return scholarship funds to the School should the child leave Korowa before the end of Year 12, unless the Principal approves otherwise.
- The terms and conditions of scholarships should remain confidential and any breach of confidentiality may result in the scholarship being revoked.

Frequently Asked Questions

Which testing organisation conducts the scholarship test at Korowa?

Korowa engages Academic Assessment Services.
www.academicassessment.com.au/

How many scholarships do you award?

This varies annually and at each year level and depends on the results of testing.

At what rate are scholarships awarded?

The School awards scholarships from 25% - 50% of the tuition fee. This amount is decided on an individual basis. Please note that scholarships apply only to the tuition fee and that other levies and charges will apply. Please note that Korowa does not offer full scholarships at any level, nor are scholarships negotiable.

What should the portfolio include?

Portfolios must be submitted by the closing date and should include:

- A handwritten letter to the Principal, Mrs Carmody, written by the applicant outlining why they wish to attend Korowa.
- Copy of the most recent school report
- Copy of most recent NAPLAN results
- Copy of any relevant supporting documentation; certificates, awards, photos of trophies.

(Please do not send original items to the School as portfolios are not returned to applicants.)

Where should I send my portfolio?

Please mail or hand deliver a hard copy portfolio to:

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Can I email the portfolio to the School?

No, all portfolios must be sent in hard copy format please.

Why do I have to attend a tour before applying for a scholarship?

We require families visit the School before applying to ensure you and your daughter are confident that Korowa is the right school. Tours will not be possible during the offer period.

Music Scholarships: Will Korowa pay my child's current music teacher?

As music scholarships are awarded for a particular instrument that is taught at the school (or in combination with academic or general excellence scholarships), the school is not able to pay external music teachers. In the case where the primary instrument is advanced and the relationship between the current teacher and child is well established, the music scholarship will be applied to the second instrument and lessons will be undertaken at the school.

Music scholarships: What if the school does not have a teacher on staff in my chosen instrument?

Music teachers at Korowa are specialists in their field. Students should still apply and individual circumstances may be discussed.

Music scholarships: What level should my child be playing at in order to be considered for a music scholarship?

As a general rule, Grade 4 AMEB level is a minimum requirement. Many successful applicants are working at Grade 7 or above. Some students who show potential and willingness to learn specific instruments as required by the school may be considered regardless of their current level on that instrument.

If my child is successful, what is the process to accept the scholarship offer?

Should the Principal offer your child a scholarship, acceptance is required within two business days of the offer together with the application (\$150), enrolment (\$1300) and scholarship holding (\$2500) fees.

The School requires a holding fee of \$2500 per scholarship place. This fee will be credited against Term 2 tuition fees in the year of entry. Should the student not take up the place, the application, enrolment and holding fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

What happens if I accept a scholarship and later change my mind?

All fees paid to date would be forfeited.

Can the School provide feedback on how my child could improve their application for future years?

Due to the volume of applications received and in fairness to all applicants, the School does not provide individual feedback on why an application may have been unsuccessful.