
Eton College - Orwell Award

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are delighted to inform you that applications have now opened for Eton College's fully-funded sixth-form scholarship programme: *The Orwell Award 2025*.

Each year, up to twelve talented boys whose life opportunities may have placed them at a disadvantage are granted an Orwell Award. These fully funded, means-tested sixth-form places at Eton offer a transformative educational experience, empowering students to reach their full academic and personal potential.

Eton College is seeking Year 11 boys in UK state schools with high academic aspirations who will embrace the diverse and rigorous curriculum offered at Eton. As recipients of the Orwell Award, students will be provided with exceptional opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. With the dedicated support of Eton's staff, these students will be well-prepared to apply to the most competitive universities.

The Orwell Award is unique in that it not only evaluates academic potential but also considers personal circumstances that may have impacted a student's academic performance. Applicants are assessed based on specific criteria, including refugee status, being a Looked After Child, being the first generation in their family to attend university, receiving Pupil Premium, or attending a school identified by Ofsted as 'requiring improvement' or in 'special measures'.

There are also two specialised strands of the Orwell Award: the *Sixth Form Music Award* for outstanding musicians and the *MCM Drama Award* for exceptional drama students.

We are pleased to announce that an ***Orwell Award Open Day will be held on Sunday 15 September 2024***. Families interested in attending are encouraged to email **admissions@etoncollege.org.uk** to book a place. This will be an excellent opportunity to explore Eton and learn more about the application process.

Please note that the deadline for applications is ***Friday 20 September 2024***. We encourage you to act promptly to ensure your son's application is considered.

We hope you will consider this extraordinary opportunity for your son. For more information on the Orwell Award and Eton's outward-facing work, please visit the Eton College website.

Warm regards,



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