

Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy

Q: Is being on the Cricket Academy at Ewell Castle School like having a Ewell Castle School scholarship?

A: Yes, and from a prestige point of view being a Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy Scholar has the same merit as being awarded any other Ewell Castle School Scholarship. Members of the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy are Ewell Castle School Cricket Scholars and treated as such at Ewell Castle School. Pupils who are awarded a place on the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy receive money off their school fees in the same way as other Ewell Castle School sports scholars.

Q: If a child is admitted to the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy, do they receive money off/remission off the School fees?

A: Yes – The % is determined by the Principal and Governors.

Q: If a child is applying for the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy can they also apply for one of the other scholarships available at Ewell Castle School?

A: Yes, prospective applicants can also apply for one of the following scholarships in addition to applying to be a Ewell Castle School Cricket Scholar: Art, Photography (Sixth Form only) DT, Drama, Music, Academic (Years 7, 9 and 13 only). However, the general Sports Scholarship **is not available** to those on, or applying to join the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy. If a Cricket Scholarship is selected/applied for, then that applicant cannot additionally apply for another Sports Scholarship. At Ewell Castle School, a pupil must select just one sport to be a scholar in.

Q: How do I find out about Scholarships and Bursaries?

A: Details to both can be found within the Admissions tab of the Ewell Castle School website.

Q: What age can pupils join the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy?

A: The Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy is for boys and girls in Years 7 to 13.

Q: How many Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy Scholars do you take each year?

A: There are a small number of places available each year. Demand currently exceeds places available.

Q: My child enjoys cricket and has weekly cricket lessons outside of school. Can they apply to join the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy?

A: The Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy is for boys and girls in Years 7-13 who are of county age group standard or above. On some occasions we give places to pupil's who we believe have the potential to reach this standard and have yet to be invited to trial by their club or Surrey CCC.

Q: Who coaches the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy?

A: Neil Turk, a former Sussex County Cricket player runs the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy. He graduated through the Youth System at Sussex and was a professional cricketer before joining Ewell Castle School. Neil has extensive knowledge of the game and has worked with international coaches and players throughout his career.

Q: Where does Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy coaching take place?

A: Coaching takes place at Ewell Castle School.

Q: How many hours training do members of the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy receive each week?

A: Members of the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy have a weekly individual one on one cricket coaching session throughout the school year as part of a pupil's school timetable. Outside of this there are summer group sessions and team training also takes place.

Q: What is the entry process for applying to join the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy?

A: The prospective candidate will be asked to pay the Ewell Castle School registration fee, submit a completed Ewell Castle School application form and submit a completed Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy Scholarship application form. If they meet the minimum joining criteria, they will then be invited in for a cricket assessment along with other pupils who have applied for cricket or other sports scholarships.

Q: Does a prospective candidate need to pass both the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy assessment and the Ewell Castle School entrance assessment before being accepted into the Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy?

A: Yes, prospective candidates need to have passed both to join the Ewell Castle Cricket Academy.

Q: Can a pupil apply and/or join Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy at any time during the academic year?

A: No, assessments currently take place in November each year and the process takes place on an annual basis.

Q: What are the expectations of being an ECS Cricket Academy Scholar?

A: Ewell Castle School Cricket Academy Scholars are expected to maintain training discipline and show respect for their coaches and mentors. They are expected to compete regularly outside school, on weekends and during school holidays. They are expected to represent Ewell Castle School and take part in cricket competitions that the School has entered.