



# George Heriot's School

Founded 1628

## SENIOR SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR & GAMES ACTIVITIES

### Half Colours

- Half Colours, in the form of a crested lapel badge, can be awarded to pupils for long service and loyalty in a particular area
- Those awarded Half Colours would not ordinarily gain Full Colours; the latter being awarded primarily for excellence in a given field
- Half Colours will only be awarded in S5 and S6, with most awards being made to S6 pupils

### Criteria for the Award of Half Colours

Pupils must fulfil the following seven criteria to be eligible for half colours:

- 1) **MAINTAINING AN EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE RECORD OVER A PERIOD OF AT LEAST TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS, WHICH MUST INCLUDE THE YEAR IN WHICH COLOURS ARE BEING AWARDED**
- 2) **EXHIBITING A VERY POSITIVE ATTITUDE**
- 3) **PROVIDING A GOOD EXAMPLE TO YOUNGER PUPILS**
- 4) **MODELLING HELPFUL BEHAVIOURS**
- 5) **A PUPIL GAINING HALF COLOURS SHOULD NOT, ORDINARILY, GAIN COLOURS (I.E. COLOURS ARE AWARDED PRIMARILY FOR EXCELLENCE; HALF COLOURS ARE AWARDED FOR LOYALTY AND COMMITMENT)**
- 6) **HALF COLOURS WILL ONLY BE AWARDED TO PUPILS IN S5 OR S6, WITH MOST AWARDS GOING TO PUPILS IN S6**
- 7) **HALF COLOURS CANNOT BE RE-AWARDED**

### Presentation

A Half Colours award ceremony will take place **once in each of terms 2 and 3** at a whole-school assembly. Staff in charge of activities should inform pupils of their awards and provide the chairperson of the colours committee with a list of names and classes on request.