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Dear pupils, parents, staff and governors, I am delighted to present to you an overview of the past academic year.

2018/19 was a year of tremendous activity at Talbot Heath, as we completed our preparations for the launch of our radical new vision for education. This involved building our state of the art STEAM Hub with its interactive and flexible spaces, auditorium, art, drama, graphic design, textiles and design studios, as well as an indoor pool. In addition, we had to devise a new interdisciplinary curriculum that would prepare our pupils for the future and incorporate design-thinking, coding, robotics, material science, ethics, computer animation and film-making for pupils from the age of 3 to 18. Supporting this, came a new staffing structure and resources package that would enable our plans to be brought to fruition.

It was certainly an extremely exciting year – challenging in its scope and scale – but enervating, as the transformative nature of the change to facilities and curriculum became increasingly apparent. We were honoured to be named as one of the most innovative and influential schools in the UK at the i25 Excellence awards – we are clearly blazing a trail with regard to our future-focused vision for education.



I was delighted to welcome Mrs Pugh as our new Head of Junior School to work alongside me in realising our ambitious aims for the school moving forward. Not only do we share a birthday, we share a passion for Talbot

Heath and the excellence of education that we provide. Miss Marks and Mrs Breeze joined her as newly appointed Assistant Heads of Junior School, providing excellent support for her.

We refurbished a number of areas within the school, completing our second phase of window replacements in the Pre-Prep and Junior departments, building our wildlife pond and a number of our garden areas in the Junior School that had been designed by Upper 4 pupils as part of their STEAM lessons. How rewarding to have pupils in the Senior School using their newly-acquired CAD (Computer Aided Design) skills in order to enhance our campus and its facilities for the benefit of the younger members of their community.



A former art studio was re-furnished as a new Computing area, giving our pupils additional space to build and test their robots and drones and we created an Outdoor Learning studio that would provide Mrs Diment with a base from which to deliver the exciting curriculum that our pupils so enjoy.

Our indoor pool enabled us to launch the Talbot Heath Swimming Academy, in conjunction with Poole Swimming Club, thereby enabling all our pupils to swim regularly, both within and outside of the timetable.



Our pupils across the school embarked on an extensive range of residential and day trips to enhance their learning. Highlights included the Geography and Drama trip to Japan, both the Junior and Senior Ski trips,



and a Normandy trip for pupils in Key Stage 3. Over 100 pupils took part in the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, with our Gold expedition taking place in the Spanish Pyrenées.

A visit to our partner school in Rwanda led to the establishment of 'Godfrey's Kitchen' by our Sixth Form students, with the aim of sponsoring 350 children in the Dufatanye Co-operative which was set up to support 80 families whose lives were decimated as a result of the genocide in 1994.

Charitable service was, once again, at the heart of the school. Activities across the school resulted in over £20,000 being raised for a range of local, national and international charities. For the first time, Talbot Heath participated in a sleepout for the YMCA and Shelter with 30 Sixth Formers and staff sleeping in cardboard boxes in the school



grounds to raise awareness and funds. This was part of a year of activities in conjunction with the Bournemouth Reform Synagogue to put the spotlight on the issue of homelessness.

Our whole school production of *The Great*



Gatsby demonstrated the breadth of dramatic talent across the school – audiences were enthralled by compelling performances.

Our Extended Project Qualification event impressed all with the quality of the work of our Sixth Formers. From the ethics of algorithms used to programme driverless cars, to handmade books on the theme of Arabic love poetry, the sheer breadth and depth of the projects was astounding. It is no surprise that over 80% of our EPQs were awarded an A/A* grade.



In Sport, our pupils continued to excel across the range of disciplines with TH pupils playing at Wimbledon, representing England at football, trampolining, sailing, bowls and netball and achieving outstanding results in local, regional and international competitions. It was an honour for our netballers to be



selected to represent England at the World Schools' Netball tournament. In addition, our tennis teams played extremely well to come runners up in the Aberdare Cup and the national team championships for Year 8 and Year 10.

Finally, our academic year culminated in our A level students achieving, once again, the best A level results in Dorset. Consequently, they were successful in attaining their university places and headed out across the UK and the globe with the knowledge, skills and principles needed for these exciting times.

It has been a dynamic, vibrant and challenging year, but a highly successful one.

Angharad Holloway

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As I reflect on the academic year 2018/19 in Junior School, it seems fitting that 2019 was Chinese Year of the Pig! Some of you may recall my Prize Giving speech on the 'Three Little Pigs.' This analogy was linked to my belief that we are responsible for building strong educational foundations in Pre-Prep and continuing to build on these in Junior School, so that no matter what life throws at you, your house will never fall down. Junior pupils have a TH house built on firm academic foundations, strong moral and ethical values that will always carry them through !



The past year saw many changes. We welcomed 42 new pupils and four staff members. Mrs Rogers was our new Y1 teacher and she became KS1 Lead, bringing an abundance of enthusiasm and experience. Mrs Okusanya joined our TAs and Mrs Guest the office team. We welcomed Mr Morris to run STEAM lessons for Pre-Prep and Juniors. Mrs Marks, who most of you will know from the PE Dept, took over the role of Assistant Head (Pastoral) and Mrs Breeze, whilst remaining Head of Maths, is now Assistant Head (Academic).



This year, Mrs Verstage, as Head of IT, arranged for all girls to take part in sessions at the Virtual Reality Centre in Bournemouth as part of interdisciplinary learning. The girls swam with blue whales, shrank to the size of a cell to travel around the human body, and visited NASA Space Station! It's important that our curriculum is built not just in the classroom but beyond, and a tangible experience of visiting the pyramids or swimming in the sea is invaluable to learning.

We eagerly watched and awaited the construction of our new wildlife pond, tucked away in the woods behind our hall. Girls can watch the pondlife grow and develop, and our Eco Team were rewarded for their work by visiting the local garden centre to choose pond plants. Senior pupils were involved in designs for the gardens and Pre-Prep girls chose the final contenders. Mrs Diment, our Outdoor Learning Lead, has been busy designing some outdoor learning areas, and we saw the construction of 'House Stalls' with colour coordinated bunting ready for House and enterprise initiatives.



We welcomed 15 new Kindergarten children in September. They settled in beautifully and were soon spotted out and about, enjoying welly walks, Forest School and other new experiences. The year ended with a whole year trip to Moors Valley, taking in the Gruffalo walk, the nature trail and the train. Reception had trips to the Oceanarium and Winton Library, and Pizza Express kindly opened their doors, so the girls could see and handmade their own pizzas!



We introduced a new Music and Drama class, 'Charlie's Chimps', that transports our youngest pupils into a world of electrifying energy, singing, colour and jazz hands! Mrs Verstage and Miss Rogers took Year 1 to Safe Wise in Bournemouth, to learn the importance of road safety and how to keep themselves safe in the community, in the purpose built village and shop. Y1 also entertained residents at a local Nursing home with festive songs and stories. The year ended with a Pre-Prep outing to Hengisbury Head and Longdown Dairy Farm, collecting bugs, feeding dairy animals and learning about farming and wildlife.

Year 2 studied Castles in their curriculum; they built castles, dressed as princesses and were interviewed for roles within the castle walls. They climbed the tower of Lulworth castle and learned about the history of fire. Y2 enjoyed a trip to the Blandford Fashion Museum to learn about and sketch historical costumes. Finally, the infamous 'Flat Stanley' was transported all across the world, finally returning to the classroom, where his exciting tales of adventure and exploration were recounted.



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Year 3 had a trip to Lyme Regis, where everyone was successful in finding a fossil. They visited the Tutankhamun Exhibition in Dorchester, and shared Howard Carter's amazement at entering the fabled tomb. Specialist visitors Professor Molar, Dr T Ache and Dr Candy Floss came to teach the importance of healthy teeth! Y3 have visibly grown in confidence and are an asset to the school. My highlight was watching them meticulously paint a life-size sarcophagus for their topic on Ancient Egypt.

As numbers in Year 3 grew significantly, I made the decision to open a third class, to keep optimum class sizes and enable growth in later years. Mrs Worsley was employed to take over one of those classes, in parallel with Mrs Walrond and Miss White.



When I asked Year 4 to describe their year, they called it "an experience of breath-taking adventures where we have learnt lots of new things". One highlight was a residential trip to Leeson House, a new experience for this group. They had an amazing time, taking part in teambuilding challenges, coastal activities, night-time orienteering and wildlife study. They also presented an assembly to parents on 'The Iron Man' and visited the Cranborne Technology Centre, living as Celts for the day! As Head of Maths, Mrs Breeze organised the first Primary Maths Challenge for Y4, set by the Mathematical Association. The girls did incredibly well and all won Bronze, Silver or Gold awards.



Year 5 's exciting year started with practising songs for Young Voices at the O2; because of the snow they were "bumped up" to VIP boxes. They were incredible ambassadors for the school and the Music Dept praised them for their performance and involvement. They enjoyed a trip to the Titanic Museum in Southampton for their Titanic project. They also learned about air resistance and gravity, putting theory into practice with indoor sky diving! Most exciting was their first residential trip to PGL on the Isle of Wight, where new skills were learned, friendships made and fears overcome.

Year 6 had their final year as junior pupils and, after successfully completing their entrance exams, many exciting adventures.



They visited the New Forest, Nothe Fort (as evacuees) and of course PGL. These trips help them to mature and grow. Many pupils chose to take part in the 'Honour before Honours' award, completing the Bronze stage; they can continue to work towards Silver in Senior School. The girls organised their own charity events and led assemblies,

demonstrating how much their confidence has grown over the year.

The end of year dinner and disco was a highlight and the staff loved sharing this experience - and joining in the macaroni! I felt nothing but pride as I presented their awards at Prize Giving. I have seen and taught some of these girls right from the start in Kindergarten; whilst it sad for the staff to say goodbye when they leave us, we know that their time in Junior School has given them the tools and confidence to prepare them for the next phase of their education.

It was with sadness that we said goodbye to valued members of staff at the end of the year. KG teacher Miss Smith retired, as did Mrs Bridgland, a TA for almost twenty years. Miss Jeff, Miss Awty and Mrs Woolnough, all valued members of the TA team, left for new adventures.



As we drew to a close and celebrated Pre-Prep and Junior School achievements at Prize Giving, our minds turned to the new academic year and the exciting changes and additions that would greet us in September. Autumn 2019 promises an exciting phase of technology and innovation with our new STEAM Hub, when the finishing touches are made, the last lick of paint applied, and the water in the pool sparkles. We approach the next year with excitement and optimism.

Liz Pugh
Head of Junior School

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MATHEMATICS

Congratulations to all the girls who achieved certificates in the recent UKMT (United Kingdom Mathematical Trust) Maths Challenges. Three of these are taken throughout the year: Senior, Intermediate and Junior challenges, and thus all ages can have a go. The tasks involve answering multiple choice questions which are very demanding. As well as mathematical knowledge learnt in class, they involve lateral thinking and logic: fun for anyone who enjoys a puzzle or a challenge!

In the Senior Maths Challenge, one L6 girl was awarded a Silver Certificate, and eight Sixth Form girls won Bronze awards.

In February, it was the turn of L4, L5 and U5 to take the Intermediate Maths Challenge, again resulting in an array of certificates. Three girls achieved Gold, one scored highly enough to be entered into the follow-on Kangaroo, and won a merit, placing her in the top 2% country wide for her age group. Another girl went through to the Intermediate Olympiad and achieved a merit, placing her in the top 500 for her year group. A further 3 girls won Silver and 7 Bronzes.



In the Junior Challenge for girls in L4, one girl won the Gold award, scoring highly enough to be entered into the follow-on Junior Kangaroo round. Two girls obtained Silver and 9 girls gained Bronze awards.

We are delighted with the results of all our entrants in these challenging competitions, and look forward to participating again next year.

Mrs Maynard

ENGLISH AND THEATRE STUDIES

The English and Theatre Studies Faculty consider it important to provide curriculum enrichment for all students and offer a wide range of activities.



Talbot Heath has recently been recognised by the national charity *ReadforGood* as a superstar school, thanks to the English faculty's efforts in promoting literacy. TH has been acknowledged as one of the charity's biggest supporters, running 20 Readathons since 2000 and raising over £18,000. The charity's aim is to motivate children to read for fun, to help support school and local libraries, and to bring the power of stories into all 30 of the UK's major children's hospitals via mobile bookcases and resident storytellers. It also supports *Roald Dahl's Marvelous Children's Charity*, *CLIC Sargent*, *Together for Short Lives* and *Readwell*, which all aim to alleviate problems faced by children with an illness by providing specialist nurses, social and medical workers, and support for the family. Last year only Y4 did the Readathon, raising £505.62 which brought our total since 2000 up to £18,312.04. Senior School girls did the *Read for Rwanda*, organised by Mrs Harty, which raised £146.

Mrs Wakeling continues to run the popular weekly reading group for KS3 students with Mrs Harty, encouraging students to enjoy good literature and to share their opinions. The students' enthusiasm and high level of critical thinking is evident in the lively lunch-time discussions and their excellent senior school assembly. In February, Mrs Wakeling and Mrs Harty took the Lower School Book Group to the Wessex Amazing Book Awards at Bryanstone, to work with other pupils in creating presentations to promote their favourite novels from the shortlist.

The Drama Department run various activities for KS3 girls and last year the Sixth Form team ran Drama Club. Gecko Theatre company delivered a workshop for GCSE and A Level students, exploring their

techniques and philosophies on theatre-making. This followed a trip to their production of 'Missing' at Nuffield Theatre. L4 attended workshops run by the Globe Theatre in June, participating in creative drama activities linked to their studies of Shakespeare.

Laura Wilson (crime writer and Guardian journalist) visited in May to deliver short story-writing workshops on crime writing, which we followed up in class. Pupils produced fabulous work, having been inspired by the various activities and writing prompts.



The English and Theatre Studies faculty consider it important to encourage students to visit the theatre and places of literary interest in order to broaden their cultural experience. Several trips were organised by Mrs McDonald this year:

Matilda and *An Inspector Calls* at The Mayflower Theatre, Southampton;

Dead Dog in a Suitcase and *Missing* at The Nuffield, Southampton;

The Play That Goes Wrong at Lighthouse, Poole.



In November, the Drama Dept produced a whole school production of *The Great Gatsby*, in which students excelled in communicating the surreal and disturbing world of Mr Gatsby.

Mrs McDonald

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SCIENCE

It was the second year of numbered grades for GCSE science; we were delighted with our students' performance. The number of Grade 9s was many times higher than the national average and rewarding for both students and teachers. An increased proportion of students in L5 are opting to study GCSEs in separate Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

GCSE and A level students took part in the British Physics Olympiad national competition run by Oxford University, designed to stretch and challenge their science knowledge. Our students gained both Silver and Bronze awards.

In January, 12 L6 Chemistry pupils visited Southampton University's undergraduate laboratories, carrying out practical work to extract a compound called trimyristin from nutmeg, which they enjoyed very much.

Mrs Gillingham continues to run MedSoc each week, for U5 and Sixth form students interested in Biological Science careers to experience seminars, talks and discussions. Subjects include: how and where to get work experience, ethical and moral dilemmas facing the medical profession in modern times, and how politics affects decisions made in Science. MedSoc also helps with preparation for university entrance exams, considering what questions may be asked in interviews and how to answer them.

STEM was very busy last year. Once again TH competed in the prestigious Soroptomists Challenge. Our student, Bella competed and presented on her own, coming second in her age group, a remarkable achievement against some experienced teams. Aimee competed at ATLAS, organised by Smallpiece, winning a prize for her management skills: a week spent on a submarine based in Plymouth.



The STEM club also entered the 4 x 4 Land Rover event, an incredibly demanding challenge. They were not placed, but the experience of competing at this level is valuable.

Mr Kirtland

PSYCHOLOGY

The Psychology department has grown and Psychology is now one of the most popular A levels at Talbot Heath, with a number of students going on to study it at degree level. The A level course covers a range of topics, including child development, human memory and atypical behaviour.

This year, we introduced some Forensic Psychology to Year 9 Geography classes, studying the geography of crime. In a brief introduction, we saw how psychological, statistical and geographical methods are combined in offender profiling. We have also started a Psychology Club, to look at aspects that are not covered by the A level course.

Dr Jolly

MODERN LANGUAGES



It has been another year of exciting monthly events for the Languages department.

In September 2018, we celebrated European Day of Languages, starting with a special assembly where L6 girls gave a presentation on the importance of learning languages. Songs were performed in French. During the day, pupils and staff greeted each other in 43 languages and all rooms were labelled in French, Spanish, Italian, German and Chinese. This event was repeated in a Junior school assembly.

We had two breakfasts in October: a French and a Spanish one, in both Senior and Junior



schools. In November, the Onatti theatre company entertained us with a French play.

In January, U3 celebrated 'l'Epiphanie' by eating traditional 'Galette des Rois' (cake of the three kings) and learning the song 'j'aime la galette'.

In February, our 6th Linguists' Dinner was a great success. The evening consisted of gourmet courses with a rich variety of entertainment: poetry, songs, drama, music, flamenco and can-can dance. In April, a Spanish theatre company entertained us with another play.

We run a variety of clubs throughout the year: French Spelling Bee for U3, Film club, Spanish club, UKLO and Oxbridge prep club. It is always a privilege to witness the enthusiasm of our pupils for languages and to see how aware of and open to other cultures they all want to be.

Mrs Klemz

CLASSICS

This year the Classics department offered many opportunities for curriculum enhancement across all age groups. In February, U4 students visited the Roman Baths at Aquae Sulis. In the temple complex, students found the sacrificial altar, *haruspex* stone, gilt bronze head of Minerva Sulis and lead curse tablets, which were thrown into the sacred



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spring. This gave a fascinating insight into the religious aspects of the Baths. Students enjoyed walking around the bathing complex, seeing the bubbling waters of the sacred spring, alcoves where business could take place and the engineering of the hypocaust in the *caldarium* (hot room) and *apodyterium* (changing room). They produced many excellent projects on the role that bathing played in Roman society.



Also in February, A Level Classics students saw Sophocles' *Oedipus Rex* at the Bloomsbury Theatre, London. This was an excellent opportunity for students to see an adaptation of a play they are studying for their exam course. They took part in a workshop, run by theatre director David Stuttard, to help Sixth Formers develop their understanding and appreciation of the play.

Classics students again took part in the Linguists' Dinner. L6 Classical Civilisation class ran a successful *Kahoot* quiz on classical knowledge, which was a huge hit with the audience.

The weekly Classics club thrives, providing opportunities for students to develop their creative skills, eg making Roman mosaics or building Greek temples.

The department looks forward to taking Classics students to Rome and the Bay of Naples in March 2020. Famous sites like the Colosseum and Caecilius' house in Pompeii will help bring their Classical studies to life. .

Mrs Karanja

GEOGRAPHY

Fieldwork opportunities continue to play a central role in our provision. Every key stage includes trips and we can further enrich the curriculum for Sixth form and GCSE students through our own Dorset branch of the GA.

Each group from Years 7 to 12 took part in day or residential trips this year. Year 7 went

to Puttles Bridge in the New Forest, which introduced them to practical river fieldwork. In colourful wellies, every student launched herself into the river with flow meters, tape measures and ranging poles at the ready.

Year 8 visited the Living Rainforest, near Newbury, to apply their knowledge of plant and animal adaptation. They were delighted by the goeldi monkeys and armadillo, and could recall the information provided by our knowledgeable guides (despite not being permitted to take notes at the time) in subsequent lessons. Our four prize-winners thoroughly enjoyed the 'keeper experience' with the marmosets.

We organised a fieldtrip for U4, investigating perceptions of crime in Swanage, and kayaking down the river at Wareham to explore the river's landforms and processes. Follow-up work involved using GIS software to investigate crime patterns in the Swanage area.



GCSE students visited Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove in September, investigating coastal landforms and processes. The L6 designed, collected, analysed and evaluated their own Independent investigations, worth 20% of their final A level grade.

Twenty-four students from L5 to L6 enjoyed the Geography/Drama tour of Japan. We had



some incredible experiences: immersing ourselves in warm, mineral rich waters near Mount Fuji, exploring Kyoto and the impacts of globalisation at Tokyo Disney Sea. We also enjoyed calligraphy lessons, a geisha performance and the bullet train.



In October, L6 stayed at the Field Studies Centre at Slapton Ley in South Devon, to survey coastal management of the Start Bay area. Riverford Organic Farm, the Clay Factory and Totnes provided useful insights into the sense of belonging and experiences of local people and international migrants.

Experience and hard work paid dividends in the summer with a magnificent set of A level results (55% A*/A), and 54% of GCSE girls gained the top levels 8-9.

The Dorset Geographical Association goes from strength to strength, welcoming 4 more internationally recognised speakers to our conferences. In November, textbook author David Redfern spoke about climate change and Prof Stewart Barr from Exeter University explored how our cities could be sustainable. In March, we held an evening on Geo-Politics with Prof Klaus Dodds from University of London, investigating who owns the Arctic and Prof Danny Dorling from Oxford exploring inequality and Brexit.

In November, students from Years 10 and 11 attended Dorset GA's WorldWide quiz at Talbot Heath. Our team performed well and came 2nd, but Bishop Wordsworth won for the third year in a row. We are pleased to announce we have been re-awarded the Secondary Geography Quality Mark by the GA, as well as being recognised as a Centre of Excellence for geography. The criteria for these awards involve outreach to the local community, excellent exam results and innovative lessons.

Mrs Atkins

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HISTORY

To commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War in November, the History Department ran a special inter-disciplinary morning for years U3, L4 and U4, and GCSE and A level History students. As a special treat, Year 6 pupils from Junior School also took part. The site team built a WWI trench and pupils were recruited by Mrs Baker,



trained and went 'over the top' with Miss Saunders and were treated in a field hospital by A level science students and staff. Other activities included looking at sources from the WWI film created by Peter Jackson, contributing 'family stories' from the war, drama on how the war helped women to get the vote, knitting poppies in textiles, cooking with limited food rations and a "fascinating and scary" handling session (with a real rifle and grenade) run by local expert, Steve Limburn. This culminated in a moving Remembrance Assembly.

In May, the department took all L4 pupils to Hampton Court Palace. L4 had a debate with an Elizabethan courtier about who should succeed Elizabeth I and then we all found the centre of the maze! For follow-up work, the girls wrote some very informative letters as 16th century Venetian ambassadors.



U4 had 'living history' lessons in the air-raid shelter, which began with hearing an air-raid siren in their classroom, then an evacuation to the safety of the shelter. Once inside, pupils were able to appreciate the fears, and

understand the experiences, of their predecessors during the war.

The air-raid shelter was open to the public over one weekend in September for Dorset Architectural Heritage Week. The department provided archive materials for display. The shelter continues to be used by local primary schools, with a session inside to experience an important aspect of life during the Second World War.

The department is grateful to all the students who helped with these events, and very proud of the positive comments made about them by pupils and staff from other schools and members of the public.

Miss Saunders

CAREERS

Careers Advice

All girls in U5 and U6 were interviewed internally by the Head of Careers to offer advice and support as to the next steps they needed to take on their individual Careers Paths during the autumn term. Following these sessions, a Careers advisor from Ansbury was available for any girls who were unsure of their choices or future plans. She met and advised a select group of U6, L6 and U5 to help them finalise and consolidate their ideas.



Careers Convention

This was hosted by Bournemouth School for Girls at the end of October and was open to girls from U4 to U6 to attend. This provided an opportunity for students from Talbot Heath, Bournemouth School for Girls and Bournemouth School to gain knowledge about a variety of careers from Architecture to Acting.

National Careers Week

This takes place in March every year and many events took place. Monday started with

an inspiring talk from Ruth Spencer, the Digital Economy Manager for Bournemouth Council on *Opportunities for work in Bournemouth and the digital age*. L6 and U6 had a talk from ex-pupil, Lydia Cooke (RNLI) on *Why Exeter University?* and *Finding a graduate job in the Charity sector*. The week ended with an assembly from Karen Brodie, Team Jobs on *Employability Skills*.



Records of Achievement

All girls at Talbot Heath have a Record of Achievement, recording good work and adding certificates from extra-curricular activities as well as work produced in Careers lessons.

Miss Collins

ECONOMICS

The school ethos is to foster mutual respect and understanding. Economics contributes to this on both inter-personal and wider levels. Pupils are encouraged to respect the points of view of a variety of key economic agents, and to discuss topical issues of economic, business and social importance from an impartial but informed viewpoint.

For many pupils, the Economics B A level is their first introduction to the 'real' world. It opens their eyes to social and moral problems experienced by consumers, firms and the government, as well as the need to balance equity with efficiency within an economy. Pupils learn that the world has to change, or the rich will get richer and the poor will get poorer; that people in less developed economies will continue to suffer and be exploited; that the ever-increasing demand for the car will lead to congestion and pollution from which we will never recover. Pupils start to understand what governments can do for us, that firms can have other objectives than the maximisation of profits, and that as individuals we can all contribute to a better world in the future by acknowledging the importance of mutual

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respect and understanding in all issues related to economics and business.

Ms Horgan

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

RS students have had the opportunity to experience a range of broad and philosophical issues which have led to lively and exciting debates.

GCSE students visited the local Reform Jewish Synagogue to hear a talk delivered by Rabbi Maurice on key aspects of Judaism. A level students attended an informative revision day on the themes of Gender and Theology and the quest for a coherent epistemology.

Mr Duell

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL EDUCATION

PSE and RS make up the PSRE programme. We have a variety of speakers to enhance the curriculum for KS 3 and 4. These talks are delivered to individual classes to allow for discussion.

Year 7, 8 and 9 all took part in programmes of study on *Health and Wellbeing*, including topics such as mental health awareness and drugs education, and *Relationships*, looking at sexual health and healthy relationships. Finally they studied the *Wider World*, looking at how we can contribute positively within our communities. These sessions are all led by their PSRE teacher.

Year 7 and 8 have had talks from the police (SSCT) about online safety and online bullying. They also had sessions with the school nurse, looking at puberty as part of the sex and relationships education.

Year 8 and 9 benefited from a workshop by Steele Raymond about fake news in the media and online privacy. Year 9 had sessions with the school nurse on contraception and consent, and talks on sexting



which we delivered in-house. Year 9 had sessions with Bournemouth magistrates where all students participated in a sentencing competition.

Year 10 and 11 had sessions on contraception, STIs and teenage pregnancy with the school nurse and Respected, a local charity. Year 10 also had a Citizenship Day, to explore the UK political system as well as drug and alcohol awareness and domestic abuse. They also had a session from the police about child sexual exploitation.

Mrs Manley

Sixth Form PSE

The 6th formers have fortnightly assemblies on current issues such as bullying, global issues, mental health, goal setting, alcohol and drugs with follow-up debating sessions during tutor time.

The Sixth Form continues to strengthen its links with Southampton University. Students attended a session led by Southampton University on the UCAS process and how to complete personal statements.



The Extended Project Qualification remains popular with our Sixth Formers, allowing the opportunity to test their research skills in preparation for university life. Students attended an EPQ day at Southampton University to learn more about research and to access the library.

Oxbridge students continue to attend weekly sessions led by Mrs Baker in order to strengthen their analytical skills and prepare for interviews. Students also attended the Oxbridge Experience morning at Hampshire Collegiate School in the spring term.

The Debating Society has been well attended by members of the Sixth form, who regularly propose motions and lead

discussion. Med Soc continues to be a valuable preparation for students who wish to apply for Medicine or Veterinary Science.

The students have greeted all our visitors with courtesy and interest. Their horizons have been widened and their awareness raised. Thoughtful questions have been discussed. Hopefully, all of these speakers have contributed to the extension of the girls' knowledge, contemplation and understanding of topics and issues beyond their academic subject choices.

Mrs Klemz

COMPUTING



Last year saw the introduction of more events and trips in Computing. In September, a group of U4 girls visited IBM's Festival of Innovation in Winchester, cracking codes and learning about the history of Computing and Cyber Security.

GCSE students attended the Digital Wave conference at the BIC, hearing from inspirational people from the world of technology and digital marketing. JP Morgan hosted the Cyber Girls First event, where some L4 and U4 girls took part in coding and Cyber Security activities.

In the Autumn, pupils from Year 3 to U4 took part in the Bebras Challenge, competing against schools across the world on Computational Thinking challenges. Some of our girls reached the top 10% in the country, a fantastic achievement!

In the Spring, L4 took part in our Dragons Den competition, designing a new product or app, prototyping and presenting it at an awards evening at Bournemouth University. They visited Barclays Eagle Lab to see the 3D printers and laser cutters to help them design their prototype, and met with business mentors to develop their presentation. The winning team's 'Happ

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App', a wellbeing app for young people, was picked up by one of the Dragon judges on the evening and is currently in development: well done to Honey and Ruby for their idea! The winning team attended an industry breakfast at the Eagle Lab, presenting their app to the audience.



A police officer from the Dorset Police Cyber Crime prevention unit gave a talk to U4-U5 Computer Scientists about common threats facing business and how to prevent them. Four L4 girls in Computing Club entered the BIEA STEM Competition, designing a drone to monitor an endangered species. They chose the rare mountain goats, and considered how the drone would need to be adapted to cope with the inhospitable terrain.

U3 visited the Siemens factory for a morning of activities. They programmed traffic lights, toured the factory floor and experimented with logic gates.



Later, U4 had an opportunity to complete the Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award, working towards badges in Creativity, Productivity and Teamwork. Most won the bronze award, and some went on to gain silver. They learnt to fly drones through an obstacle course, and some went on to program drones using Swift code.

Mrs Eels

ART AND DESIGN

This has been another exciting year of extra-curricular activities. A Level students visited the AUB to learn about Art degrees; L4 the Living Rainforest, a combined trip with Geography. We assisted with prop-making and set design for the school production of *The Great Gatsby*, and U3 students created the backdrop for the school nativity, aiding the Christmas feel in the hall.

In the Spring term we ran GCSE and A Level workshop days to support students to achieve their very best.

The summer term is always busy with exams, marking and moderation, and our annual Art exhibition for the first week in July. This showcased the amazing work of our GCSE and A Level students. It is



wonderful to see students' work displayed together and the wealth of materials and techniques used to create such skillful and individual pieces. There was just enough time to fit in the packing and moving of two very full art rooms into the new Steam Hub.

Miss Coates

MUSIC

It has been another busy year in the department. We enjoyed a full programme of concerts, recitals, workshops and Carol Services and we continue to provide our pupils with the opportunity to learn a wide range of instruments in school. Currently, our specialist staff teach more than 150 individual instrumental lessons each week. Additionally, we offer a flexible programme of ensembles, enabling pupils to experience group music-making.

This year we were able to reintroduce a Saxophone & Clarinet Ensemble, tutored by Mrs Bolter; it's good to hear the sounds of the winds playing so enthusiastically again.



Once again, we enjoyed some great performances this year. Our Junior Soloists Concert in October provided junior school musicians an opportunity to showcase their talents, much to the enjoyment of parents and fellow pupils.

Christmas was as busy as ever; the Pre-Prep children delivered their Nativity with their customary enthusiasm and liberal use of the 'cute factor'. The Junior Department presented *One Bright Star*, with carols and readings as their Christmas concert, and performed *Carols around the Christmas Tree*



for parents and friends. The Senior Choir led the main school in our traditional service of carols and readings on the last day of term – a fitting end to a very long term!

In February, the entire Year 5 went to the O2 in London for the annual Young Voices Festival. This is always a highlight for them: the chance to sing with 7000 other singers accompanied by a professional band in such



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a massive venue leaves a memory that lasts a lifetime. Our participation was not without its excitements when, on the day of the concert, the weather took a turn for the worse and we were unable to travel to London as planned. Fortunately the Young Voices organisers were kind enough to squeeze us into the concert on the following Monday, so all the childrens' hard wasn't wasted. The big 'plus point' was that we were all seated in the VIP boxes – result!

At the end of the spring term, we presented a concert of *Music from Film and Stage*. More than 100 girls played or sang in a variety of vocal and instrumental numbers from well-loved musicals, including *The Greatest Showman*, *Mamma Mia!*, *Wicked* and *Oliver*. It was quite an evening!

We always try to arrange visits to local concerts and in June, our Y6 and Y7 girls thoroughly *Matilda* at the Mayflower in Southampton. Two weeks later, the Y5 and Y6 groups attended an interactive concert presentation by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra based on the *Planets Suite* by Holst. In this exciting event, our pupils sang with the orchestra for two songs written especially for the concert.

As always, this is just a snapshot of all our activities. I'd like to finish by thanking Miss Williams and all my colleagues in the department for everything they do to make all these events possible. .

Mr Hill

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY Food and Nutrition

The Food and Nutrition Department was bubbling with excitement as it relocated, and prepared to serve up skills for life in brand new, state of the art facilities. Shimmering surfaces, sparkling stainless steel, new equipment and vibrant displays welcomed the girls, with many extra-curricular activities.



In October came our Talbot Heath Master-Chef Final. Judges were treated to such delights as fresh ravioli, steak in a red wine sauce and rich chocolate pots. The standard of presentation and range of skills of the six finalists was impressive. The Trophy was awarded to B Swanney, with L Abdrashitova runner up. The girls went on to compete in the local group finals of the Rotary Young Chef Competition, at the Bournemouth and Poole College's School of Hospitality and Food. A panel of industry specialists were invited to judge the dishes after two demanding, very hot hours in the college's Escoffier kitchen. The young chefs were praised for their passion and dedication, and the phenomenal standard of their dishes.



In the autumn term, we teamed up with Christian Union for our annual Tearfund 'Big Bake'. Eggs were whisked, flour folded and Mars bars melted for treats so tempting, they sold out in five minutes! Funds were raised for a community development programme in Central Asia, giving girls skills and confidence to make their own living and build safe lives. Our industrious cake decorators continued in Sugarpaste club and created bumble bees, Easter chicks and teddy bear cupcake toppers.



December saw the return of the Christmas Cake Decorating Competition. Somehow, our girls exceed expectations year upon year, and the entries, from Junior and Senior schools,

were astounding. The judges had a difficult task but, fortunately, the whole school could vote with their iPads. The overall winners were G Loew, M Read and E Boullin for their fabulous stacked snowman, penguin and Santa cake: an original idea, and great teamwork.



In the spring, we held our Great TH Bake Off, with all of U3 taking part during their Food lessons, and the winners receiving medals. Our keen bakers produced some remarkable entries: show-stoppers and star bakers aplenty. Next year, the winners have requested a Bake Off Final to crown the champion, and school caterers Holroyd Howe will offer their expertise as judges.

In the summer, Year 12 girls spent part of their Life Skills Day brushing up on practical food skills ready for university life. They worked in groups, making and tasting everything from Thai curry and spaghetti bolognese to naan and garlic bread. The result were delicious and many discovered that cooking may not be so difficult and can even be fun! L4's Cultural Day provided an opportunity to experience cross-curricular oriental-inspired activities. Girls prepared an entire banquet, with Thai green chicken curry, spicy beef noodles, sticky mango rice and lotus flower tropical cooler, which was enjoyed at the closing celebration.

The June heatwave brought many requests for our 'Frozen Fridays' fundraiser for our Rwandan link school. Ice lollies sold at 80p in soaring temperatures, giving a profit of over £350. Thus began preparations for a second visit to our partner school in the space of a year. Godfrey had asked for blankets and, with Textiles, we decided to ask the whole school community to knit or crochet squares for us to stitch together. Many girls asked what, where, how and, most often, why? Once we explained that nothing conveys that we care more than homemade and hand-delivered, they asked

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for yarn, needles and knitting tips, and a mountain of wool squares grew in the corner of the Food Room.



Having twice visited Godfrey's farm project, there is now a special display of photographs in the Food Dept. Children are encouraged to learn more about where food comes from and how it is grown. We have pictures of bananas, sugar cane, melons, pineapples, guavas, mangoes, avocados, cassava, all grown in Rwanda where the Dufatanye Project helps the poorest, hungriest people you can imagine, to work towards self-sufficiency by growing, cooking and eating their own produce.

Mrs Moran

Textiles

Textiles continues to be a popular subject with the girls, as they learn many skills that will be with them for life. I'm always delighted with the items they produce in my lessons.

The textiles department continues to support other projects in school and I was particularly pleased to help Mrs Moran knit and join woollen squares to make blankets which were hand delivered to Rwanda by some of our 6th formers who visited in the summer. It was fantastic to see our school community coming together to help such a great cause.

Mrs Teuber

SPORT

Senior pupils have had a fantastic year of sport, in and outside of school. It is brilliant to see such variety, including International successes in trampolining, tennis and short mat bowls. Pupils have reached County level or above in no less than 14 different sports this year. Athletics, cross country, tennis and netball teams had an incredibly successful year and details of all these achievements

across the 14 sports are outlined in the more detailed sports roundup at the end of this report.

Our Junior School girls have had another successful year of sport, with opportunities to take part in a range of sports in lessons, such as indoor rowing, use of the fitness suite, badminton, netball, hockey, tennis, cricket, rounders and athletics. They have also produced National representatives and County Champions along the way.

In Athletics, 7 junior pupils qualified for County Championships. The Year 6 relay team: of Natasha (also 2nd in 75m sprint), Imogen, Alicia and Alice are now County Champions. Isabella is County Champion in Year 5 long jump; Sophie came 2nd in Year 6 long jump and Katherine 3rd in the rounders ball throw. Emily won the most promising athlete award.



In Chess, Larissa competed for England in the World Schools Individual Championships in Turkey and was awarded the 'Chess Maestro' title by the English Chess Federation. Florence won bronze in the Dorset County Chess Championships for her age group and both pupils will start a Chess Club for Junior pupils.

In Cross Country, PEDSSA (Poole & East Dorset) has provided good competition for novice and more experienced runners, with up to 32 girls running at each of the four events. Girls have benefited by learning how to race and seeing the results of their hard work from training at club, as many showed real progress with times and finishing positions in races.

In Hockey we saw great commitment to training with all years making lots of progress. Beatrice and Lexie represented Bournemouth club, who won the Regional Championships. The Hudson cup for hockey was awarded to Olivia.

We had a very successful year in Netball, with many girls attending junior and lunchtime clubs.



Each year group has played in matches against local schools, like Dumpton, BCS, Castle Court, Clayesmore, Knighton House and Moyles Court. These matches allow the girls to develop skills learnt in training and apply them to high five or full sided matches.

Our swimmers competed in the Bournemouth and Christchurch competitions, and some qualified for County finals. The Y4 relay team: Phebe, Isabella, Sophie and Opal, came 2nd at County Championships, and Isabella got individual silver in the 25m Breast Stroke. The Burgess cup was awarded to Pearl.

The Juniors have worked hard at tennis club in the summer term and there is fantastic strength with club links throughout Junior School. Many girls play tennis with their club and show real potential. The Spencer and Nightingale cups were won by Irajia and Lola. The standard of these competitions grows each year and we are very proud of the girls.



I'd like to thank our pupils for their hard work and commitment, and fantastic contribution to school sport. Thank you to the parents for their continued support at events and fixtures, which is much appreciated. It has been a fantastic year in both achievement and enthusiasm. We are in a fantastic position with excellent club links in netball and tennis, and the introduction of our swimming academy with Poole swimming club. The future of sport at Talbot Heath is an exciting one.

Miss Marks

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CHARITY FUNDRAISING REPORT

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I would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year. Once again, the tutor groups have worked closely together to organise charity events and raise awareness of incredibly worthy causes through their assemblies. Great empathy towards others was shown by the pupils choosing to support a range of charities, some that our students have a close and personal relationship with.

Some of the most popular activities once again involved eating, especially chocolate and cakes, we also had games of capture the flag against staff and the usual mufti and hair down days! This year, a group of students decided to support the Maiden Factor, following an assembly by that organisation

Charities supported this year:

Amnesty International Concert £249.75
Bliss £132.76
Cancer Research £86.44
Children in Need (Juniors) £245.76
Encephalitis £42.96
Heart Foundation £57.90
Jumblebee £150.00
Junior Carol Service £124.68
Macmillian Cancer £42.96
Magic Bus £178.03
Make it better with a sweater (JS) £165.30
Make it better with a sweater (SS) £274.98
Mind £15.00
Myeloma £121.52
NSPCC Numbers Day (JS) £312.00
Pre Prep Nativity £159.80
Readathon £320.12
Rwanda, Bournemouth Marathon £4,265.12
Senior Carol Service £223.25
Shelter sleep out / mufti £393.28
Shelter PJ Day (JS) £262.30
Spanish Breakfast £146.00
Tearfund cake sale £78.05
Wear it Pink £27.70.

Mr Duell

ADVANCED LEVEL RESULTS 2019

Grade A*	17%
Grade A and above	44%
Grade B and above	76%
Grade C and above	93%
Pass Rate	100%

GCSE LEVEL RESULTS 2019

Grade 9	15.8%
Grade 8 and above	35.5%
Grade 7 and above	52.3%
Grade 6 and above	74.1%
Grade 4 and above	98.6%

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Places were awarded at the following:

Arts Educational School - Musical Theatre

AUB, Bournemouth - Animation Production, Fine Art

Bath - Chemical Engineering

Bath Spa - Business & Events Management

Berkeley, California - Tennis Scholarship & Business Degree

Birmingham - Law

Bournemouth - Business Studies, Criminology

Durham - Archaeology, Liberal Arts

Exeter - Business & Management, English & Geography, Law

Kent - Classical Studies

London, King's - Chemistry with Biomedicine; Mathematics, Management & Finance

London, UCL - International Geography

Loughborough - International Business

Newcastle - Chemical Engineering

Plymouth - Biomedical Science, Diagnostic Radiology

Southampton - Modern History & Politics

Surrey - Law, Veterinary Medicine

Sussex - Criminology

Swansea - Psychology

York - Chemistry, English & Related Literature

SCHOOL AWARDS

Advanced Level Awards B Alwesmi, N Booker, A Donaldson, H Jessup, W Lam, E Pitman, S Russell, C Stanborough and T Turner.

The Austin-Smith Award

H Jessup and J Smith-Joseph.

The Hardy Award

L Badawy and L Tyrer.

The Mabel Fletcher Award

B Alwesmi and E Gallen.

The Shona Baker Award

D Osipenkova.

The Ruth Sykes Award

L Tyrer.

The Governors' Award

T Qaddoura.

General Certificate of Education: Advanced Level Passes 2019

(** indicates A* grade; * indicates A grade; AS level in *Italics*. EPQ - *The Extended Project Qualification is the equivalent of half an A level.*)

Alwesmi, B

Art (fine)**, English Literature, EPQ**, Psychology*, *Theatre Studies*

Badawy, L

Chemistry, *Economics*, EPQ**, Maths*, Physics

Battistotti-Moore, L

Biology, Chemistry, EPQ, Latin, *Maths*

Blake, J

Art (photography), English, Geography*

Booker, N

English Literature*, EPQ**, Religious Studies*, *Theatre Studies***

Donaldson, A

English Literature*, EPQ*, French**, Spanish, *Theatre Studies**

Fletcher, E

Economics, History, Psychology, Religious Studies

Gallen, E

Classics, English Literature, *Psychology*, Religious Studies

Heald, I

English Literature, EPQ**, *History*, Latin, *Theatre Studies**

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Houghton, E

Biology, Economics, *Geography*, Psychology

Hutt, K

Biology, *Geography**, Psychology*

Hutt, L

Biology, *Geography*, Psychology*

Jessup, H

Biology*, Chemistry*, *Geography***, *Maths*

Lam, R

Chinese, Economics, *English Literature*, EPQ**, *Geography***, Psychology**

Lamparelli, A

Biology*, Chemistry, *English Literature*, *Physics*

Lin, Z

Biology, Chemistry, Chinese*, *Maths**, *Maths* (further)

Osipenkova, D

Biology, Chemistry, EPQ, *Geography*, Russian*

Parker, F

Chemistry, *English Literature**, EPQ**, *French*, *Physics*

Parker, I

Biology, Chemistry, *Geography*, *Maths*

Pitman, E

Biology*, Chemistry*, EPQ**, *Geography**, *Maths*

Qaddoura, T

Art (fine)*, *English Literature*, EPQ**, *Geography*, Psychology

Richardson, E

Economics, *Geography*, *Maths*

Romero-Pratten, O

Economics, *English Literature*, *Religious Studies*, Spanish

Rowan, G

Economics, *Geography*, *Theatre Studies*

Rule, K

Chemistry, *Physics*, Psychology

Russell, S

Biology**, *English Literature***, EPQ, *Geography***, *Physics**

Sargent, H

*English Literature**, *Geography**, Psychology

Sargent, I

Biology, Economics, EPQ**, History, Psychology

Smith-Joseph, J

*English Literature**, EPQ*, French, Latin, History

Stanborough, C

Biology*, Chemistry*, *English Literature*, EPQ**, *Maths**

Turner, T

English Literature, EPQ**, History*, Psychology**, *Theatre Studies**

Tyrer, L

English Literature, History, Psychology, Religious Studies

Vaile, C

English Literature, Psychology, *Theatre Studies*

Zhang, W

Chinese*, *Maths**, *Maths* (further), *Physics*
Grades achieved: 44% A*-A, 75% A*-B, 100% Pass.

General Certificate of Secondary Education 2019

E Bird, A Bowen, C Brewer, O Burrage, E Challen, A Chanoch, D Clough, A Cowell, E Cridland, E Dickson, L Driver, H Elms, C Elsmore, A Fabrikant, C Feilden, S Fenwick, A Freed, J Fry, G Gedge, L Glanville, S Green, E Hamilton, E Holloway, J Holloway, C Hosking, L Howse, E Johnstone, R King, R Kolahy, S Kwon, E Lacy, I O'Rourke, F Payne, O Perera, T Ratnayake, G Richards, R Richardson, N Robertson, L Romero-Pratten, F Rowley, B Rowney, B Russell, A Sadeghi-Niaraki, E Sheldon-Neal, A Tyler, C Wilke, G Wood.

Grades achieved: 35% 9-8, 99% Pass (9-4).

The following pupils completed a GCSE subject early in 2019 (*Computing*, *German*, *Arabic*, *Japanese*, *French*, *Chinese*):

N Alawa, E Bailey, M Brookes, A Conley, A Cowley, J Ellis, H Gough, W Huang, E Jordan, Y Kwan, Z McInnes, O Ono-Sorhue, L Paget, G Piercy, E Price-Lloyd, D Smart, E Thompson, K Watts, Y Zhu.

Senior Mathematics Challenge

Silver: P Meng

Bronze: 9 pupils.

Intermediate Mathematics Challenge

Gold: M Davis, L Fawcett (also qualified for UK Pink Kangaroo), C Su

Silver: A Drace-Francis, H Elms, C Woods

Bronze: 7 pupils.

Intermediate Olympiad

Merit - C Su

Intermediate Kangaroo

Merit - M Davis

Junior Mathematics Challenge

Gold: L Hiscocks (also qualified for UK Junior Kangaroo)

Silver: D Becker, F Holloway

Bronze: 9 pupils.

STEM Awards

Silver CREST awards go to: O Bratt, M Davis and A Elms.

Bronze CREST awards go to: N Kolahy, I McCrudden, D Peck, B Rowley and E Saran.

Landrover 4x4 Challenge: A Bowen, L Driver, H Elms, E Holloway, I O'Rourke and F Rowley.

Young Enterprise County Final

This year's company, Fresh, won Best Customer Service at the Regional Finals. The team members were: Y Li, P Lung, H Peasland, L Sheerin and C Sun (Managing Director).

National Citizen Service

E Bird, D Clough, H Elms, S Fenwick, J Fry, L Glanville, E Howse, R King and S Kwon participated in the NCS scheme. L Battistotti-Moore and H Jessup acted as supervisors on the summer course.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Gold: E Pitman.

Silver: A Cowell, A Dods, J Ellis, G Gedge, L Glanville, V Leat, I Parker and R Rowney.

Bronze: S Berridge, O Bratt, C Brown, J Burton, A Conley, P Conley, J Dean, J Ellis, J Griffiths, E Jordan, S Kenwright, E Mans, A Munson, T Ono-Sorhue, K Ormerod Taylor, E Price-Lloyd, I Rowan, E Saran, E Sherwin, O Thomas, E Thompson, M Williams, G Woodfield and M Zottl.

Honour before Honours Award

S Aqualina, L Driver, H Elms, L Elms and J Tilley.

The Great TH Bake Off Winner

M Read.

TH MasterChef Champion

E Leaver-Smith.

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TH Top Chef Award

A Hann.

MUSIC

School Music Awards

The Stravinsky Composition Cup: R King

Effort and achievement in Music (Years 7-9):

D Becker

Performer of the Year: L Lam

Cadenza Award: L Hiscock

The Mary Simmonds Cup (all round contribution):

H Glatter

The Elizabeth Sylvester Memorial Award

(musician showing the most promise): V Millar

Music Colours are awarded to: D Becker, A Chanoch, L Fawcett, L Henning, L Hiscock, V Mason, I McCrudden, G Piercy, E Price Lloyd and E Simmonds-Short.

Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music

Alto Saxophone

Grade 5 Merit C Marchant

Grade 5 Merit G Piercy

Clarinet

Grade 7 Merit J Spring

Flute

Grade 5 Pass I Graham

Piano

Grade 8 Pass Y-K Li

Grade 7 Merit Z Meng

Grade 7 Pass E Pitman

Grade 6 Pass Y Zhu

Theory

Grade 5 Merit Z Meng

Grade 5 Merit J Ellis

Grade 7 Pass F Wong

The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts

Acting

Grade 7 Distinction A Smyth

Grade 7 Distinction K Bates

Grade 5 Distinction K Bates

Grade 5 V Esposti

Results of other examinations, 2018-2019:

Distinction - 21, Merit - 8, Pass - 1.

Trinity College London

Diploma in Piano Performance with Distinction – ATCL

Grade 8 Merit L Lam

Clarinet

Grade 6 Merit J Ellis

Flute

Grade 6 Merit E Mans

London College of Music

Musical Theatre

Grade 6 Pass V Esposti

Grade 5 Distinction P Davis-McCluskie

Royal Academy of Dance

Ballet

Grade 7 Merit H Elms

Grade 7 K Ormerod-Taylor

Grade 6 Merit J Griffiths

Advance 1 exam Distinction C Eland

Intermediate Foundation Pass H Elms

Bournemouth Music Competition Festival

K Ormerod-Taylor came first in Ballet and was awarded the Janice Perry Trophy.

E Timmings won the Tap section with a Distinction, and the Leslie O'Keefe Memorial Cup.

Other Music Achievements

E Timmings has a place in the Tap Attack Associates programme, with an opportunity to apply to join the GB squad in the future.

K Ormerod-Taylor participated in the regional finals for the All England Dance Championships and won Senior Bronze in Modern Dance.

H Glatter is a Principal of the Percussion Section in the Wessex Youth Orchestra.

A Smyth is a member of the National Youth Theatre.

SPORT

Athletics and Cross Country

C Brown represented Dorset in the South of England Cross Country and the Nationals. She came 2nd in the Dorset Schools 800m and represented Dorset in the SW Schools Championships.

L Brown won the schools PEDSA Cross Country, and represented Dorset Schools and Dorset this season. She was selected for the South West of England to run the London Mini Marathon, came 18th in the South of England Cross Country and 90th at the Nationals. She is County Schools Champion

in 1500m, came 2nd in the Inter Counties and was selected to run in the Southern Inter Counties for Dorset A strand, finishing 12th. In the South West she is ranked 8th for 1500m and 4th for 1200m.

K Collard came 1st in the Dorset Schools Discus and represented Dorset in the SW Schools championship.

I Cox represented Dorset in U13 Cross Country and Dorset Schools in U15 Pole Vault.

L Lockwood competed for County and club, achieving personal bests in Triple Jump and 3000m. She came 2nd in the Dorset County Championships U17/U20W 3000m event.

K Ormerod-Taylor competed for Wimborne Athletics club in the South West League (Wimborne have won this for the last two years).

E Parker represented Dorset at Regional and National levels in Cross Country and Athletics. She is U17 South West 1500m steeplechase champion and came 6th at the English Schools Championships and 3rd in the English Athletics National Championships.

H Taylor represented Dorset this season at the South West competition. She came 2nd in 800m and 3rd in 300m. She came 2nd in the National Beach Sprints and 3rd in the Beach 1km.

E Wells represented Dorset in the South West Cross Country Championships and the Cross Country Inter-Counties Championships. She was selected for the Dorset U13 Athletics Team for the Southern Inter-Counties 1500m.

Cricket

T Bagora represented Dorset in the U11, U12 and U13 teams.

A Hann represented Dorset U13 Girls Cricket this season, playing Devon, Wiltshire, Hampshire, Buckinghamshire and Dorset Boys.

Golf

S Cribb was a finalist in the Peter Alliss U18 Girls County Competition and played for County Juniors in the Dorset Juniors vs

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Seniors event. She won the U14 Girls Gross Competition at Cumberwell Park Junior Open, Highcliffe Junior Open and was Stableford Winner at the Ferndown Junior Open. She came 3rd in the South-West Buchanan Trophy and was Captain of the winning Ferndown team at the Colin Chataway Trophy Tournament.

E Mans is the South West U18 Girls Nett Champion, Dorset Girls Nett Champion, Girls Nett & Gross Champion at Ferndown & Brokenhurst Manor Golf Clubs, Champion of Champions at Sturminster Marshall, winner of the McCleod Cup, Autumn Trophy and Clive Cargill Trophy at Brokenhurst Manor. She came 2nd in the England Golf U16 Open Amateur Stroke-play Championship and was the youngest member of the winning Dorset Inter-county Championship team. She is a member of the U18 Dorset Girls 1st Team.

E Read was Dorset area winner at the Abraham Trophy, and finished as 7th most improved Junior golfer in England. She came 1st in the Wareham Trophy, 1st Nett at the Knighton Heath Junior Open, 1st Nett at Dudsbury Junior Open, 1st in the Sturminster Marshall EZGO 2018 and 1st in the Moors Valley Peter Aliss competition. She came 2nd at Sturminster Marshall, 3rd at Ferndown Junior Captains' Day and joined Dorset County A squad.

Gymnastics

C Hannam is part of the Dorset squad for artistic gymnastics and was chosen by British Gymnastics to join the National young leadership academy. She is Regional Gymnast of the Year (OLGA), Dorset Floor and Vault ladies champion and won a West Country League Silver Medal. She won Silver and Bronze in the Springboard Ladies 13-14 and a distinction for the National Grade 3 Artistic Gymnastics Award.

Hockey

The U16 team reached the Regional Finals this year at Millfield.

E Gerson was selected for the U16 Dorset team and represented the Bournemouth Ladies 3rd team who won the SW league.

L Lockwood was selected for the Dorset U16 squad and played as defender in all their games last season.

E Mans played for the U14 Bournemouth team who were League Champions. In the National Cup Semi Finals the team beat Bath Buccs and Plymouth, but lost to Marlow at the penultimate match. She scored a hat-trick for Dorset U14 to help secure a 4-1 win over Somerset.

F Rowley again played for and captained the Dorset U16 girls team in the 2018/19 season.

Horse Riding

V Mason qualified for the National Championships with Endurance GB, representing Hampshire Combined Pony Club in a 40k ride in Norfolk. She came 4th, and the team came 1st; they are currently top of the SW league table.

Netball

Talbot Heath was selected to represent England at the World Schools Netball Cup.

U16 were county finalists and competed at the South West Regional Finals coming 5th out of 16 schools.

U15 competed in the Independent Schools Cup reaching the top 8 schools in the country and were Dorset County finalists. They won the Bournemouth & Hampshire Schools League and placed 8th out of 22 teams in the World Cup Competition.

U14 came 2nd at the County Finals and competed at the South West Regional Finals placing 7th out of 18 schools. They won the Bournemouth & Hampshire Schools League.

U13 competed in the Independent Schools Cup and reached the semi-final of the plate competition. They were 3rd in the Dorset finals. In the World Cup Competition, they placed 5th out of 19 schools and won the Bournemouth & Hampshire Schools League.

U12 reached the Southwest regional finals in the Sisters in Sport Cup, finishing top 8 in the country. They were Dorset County

champions and won the Bournemouth & Hampshire Schools League.

E Blakeway has been selected for the Dorset County Netball Academy and plays for Bournemouth Netball Club.

A Conley played in the U16 Regional Schools Finals and the World Cup squad in Loughborough; she has been picked for the U16 Team Bath Long Squad.

M Davis was selected for Team Bath Futures Pathway, training at the Dorset hub. She is part of the U15 development squad and a member of Poole U14 team who won the South West Regional League, qualifying for National finals.

A Echebarrieta has been selected for the County Netball squad this season.

J Holloway played in the U16 Regional Schools Finals and is a member of the Team Bath regional squad.

F Jackson has been selected for the County Netball squad this season.

Sailing

E Mans achieved her Green Pennant Dinghy Sailing (RYA 3/4) and has been teaching young sailors at Salterns Sailing Club.

Short Mat Bowls

E Thompson played for England in the U21s short mat bowls, and reached the Semi Final of the U18 National Championships, beaten by the eventual national winner.

Surf Life-Saving

I McCrudden competed in the GB National Surf Life-Saving; her team came 2nd out of 26 UK clubs.

Swimming

C Eland won Silver in 50m butterfly and 50m freestyle at the National Swimming Championships. She also competed at the Great Britain Championships in Glasgow.

H Glatter achieved the Level 2 STA Swimming Teacher qualification.

H Harris qualified for the Nationals in 200m Breaststroke and reached the Regional finals in 50m, 100m and 200m Breaststroke.

TALBOT HEATH

GOVERNORS' BIOGRAPHIES

L Langley achieved personal bests in 6 events at the ASA County Championships, gaining 1 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. She qualified for the SW Regional Finals in 3 events and won 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 2 Bronze medals in the Swim Bournemouth Summer Splash.

S Page competed in Swim England East Region Open Water Championships and won Gold medals for Suffolk (1km) and East Region (1km), and won the Suffolk Cup with the fastest time across the age groups. In the Swim England East Region Long Course Championships she won 3 Silver medals and 1 Bronze; in the Suffolk County Championship she won 5 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals.

M Sleeman is ranked by the ASA as 1st in Dorset, 3rd in the South West and 9th in GB for her event. She won 3 Gold, 3 Silver and 3 Bronze medals in Dorset County Championships, 2 Bronze at SW Championships and was selected for the Swim England regional programme.

Tennis

Talbot Heath U19 A team: E Adeshina, M Edge, J Holloway, E Richardson, A Tyler and G Williams, were runners up at the Aberdare National Championship in July. The U19 B team reached the 3rd round, but not the finals.

Both U13 and U15 teams were runners up at the National Team Tennis Schools. The U13 team were: F Blundell, S Jones, I Maynard, A Pirt, and, G Williams. The U15 team were: S Bettencourt, M Edge, B Painter, E Seckerdieck, and A Tyler.

S Aquilina won the 12U County Closed Tennis tournament and the 12U doubles with Shakira Bettencourt. She won two 12U grade 3 tournaments at the 98th Bournemouth Open and Winchester Mantis Open 2019.

M Davis represented Dorset in the U14 County Cup.

M Edge qualified for the Winter National Tour Finals (grade 1), represented West Hants at the National Doubles Finals (ladies) and won the 18U Dorset Open.

J Holloway is a member of the 18U Ladies County team; she holds an LTA level 1 & 2 coaching qualification.

K Jarvis was part of the County Cup Team this year and won an U14 and U16 grade 3 tournament this summer.

I Maynard played in the Nationals 12U in October and December, and several grade 3 regional tournaments, winning 4 singles titles and 3 doubles. She also had two 16U singles Semi-final finishes.

A Pirt came 3rd in the Team Tennis Finals and won the U14 doubles at Bath University.

A Tyler was a semi-finalist at the British Tour Sutton grade 1 (doubles), finalist at Bath National 18U G2 (doubles) and winner at the Exeter Women's G3 Regional (singles). At the Bournemouth Open she won the 18U doubles, women's singles and doubles.

Trampolining

J Spring was a Gold medalist and British Champion at the British Championships. She competed for GB at the World Age Championships, coming 12th out of 58. She won Gold in the National Spring Series 1 and Silver in Series 2, and was selected to represent GB at the World Age Championships in Tokyo, but was unable to compete due to illness.

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RICHARD DAY was until recently a consultant geriatrician at Poole Hospital. He has interests in medicinal drugs and health service management. He worked on clinical guidelines for NICE, and was a senior examiner at the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh. He is on the board of Care South, a charity providing residential care in Southern England.

Richard retired in 2017, and enjoys art, piano and his grandchildren. His daughter was a pupil here for 11 years and wife Morag also used to be a TH governor.

CHERRY EDWARDS has extensive experience of managing education and training. She started as a teacher and youth leader in Oxford, and spent seven years as a careers counsellor in the north of England, specialising in post 'A' level occupations.

She later worked for a company which managed work-based learning and placements for young people and adults. In the 1990s she developed new Apprenticeship models with employers and colleges and joined Bournemouth and Poole College, becoming Head of Work Based Learning.

Latterly she has worked as an education and training consultant.

DIANA LEADBETTER is a former Junior School pupil. She gained a degree in Business Studies and trained as a Chartered Accountant with KPMG, qualifying in 1989.

Diana joined her family business and gained experience in all aspects of the business. She is now the Finance Director, and her principal role revolves around the financial and administrative management of the company including HR and Company Secretarial work.

Diana is married with one daughter who was educated at Talbot Heath.

ANDREW MAIN spent 17 years in industry and the last 20 as a lecturer and academic manager at Bournemouth University.

He grew up in London, gained a PhD in engineering computation, was employed for eight years and freelanced in the Bournemouth area for nine, working with manufacturing and process industries.

He joined the Dorset Institute of Higher Education in 1989 (which became Bournemouth Polytechnic, then University), where he is Associate Dean (Students) in the School of Design, Engineering & Computing. He also teaches computing.

His five children all went to school in Bournemouth and he was previously a governor of St Mark's School in Talbot Village and Bournemouth School for Girls.

CHRISTINE NORMAN was PR Manager for a large housing charity for nine years with a particular responsibility for organising annual conferences and major fundraising banquets. She is now a legal assistant/secretary in her husband's private legal practice.

Her daughter was educated at Talbot Heath and during that time she was very involved in the Parent Staff Society, retiring as Deputy Chairman in 2000.

JAMES PAGET is Managing Director at Paget Reid York Chartered Certified Accountants. A fellow of the ACCA, he holds Statutory Auditor status and is also a licensed probate practitioner with the ICAEW. He advises on taxation of small and medium sized family businesses and financial reporting and assurance assignments with charities and non-profit organisations.

Since 2012 he has been involved as a founder and finance director with Dorset Business Angels, which run business angel investor pitching events (like Dragons Den), for local start-ups, in particular digital businesses.

James spent five years as a Trustee Director with a local church, advising on a major building project. His interests are art and design, new music, playing drums, running, cooking and travel.

SARAH RICHARDS was born in Poole, and her father was twice Mayor of Poole. She and her sister attended TH, as did her two daughters, and one was Head Girl.

Sarah is a Chartered Legal Executive, who retired from practice as a specialist Private Client practitioner with LLP. Before this, she was Head of Dept for Dickinson Manser, which merged with Trethowans, and she oversaw the intricacies of the merger between these two large established firms.

For many years, she organised the European Law Conference for Bournemouth & District Law Society, taking 50 delegates to Europe each year. In 1990 she served a term as the youngest Chairman of the Bournemouth and District Institute of Legal Executives. She is currently Vice Chairman of the Wessex Young Musicians Trust. Her husband is a Solicitor and they met through the Young Solicitors Cricket Team. Her interests include the arts, countryside, food, travel, equestrian sports, tennis, cricket, family and friends, and she feels very grateful for the education she received at TH.

DEBBIE SADD was born in Bournemouth and educated at TH before a career in Finance. After the birth of her second son, she studied for an MA and then a PhD at Bournemouth University, and was invited to become a full-time member of the teaching team, where she has been for 14 years. She teaches strategy, leadership and marketing in the Faculty of Management, and is also a Virgin Start Up Mentor. Until recently, she ran the Festival Maker volunteering programme for the University, working with Bournemouth Council at major events. Her University work has taken her to the USA, China and Hong Kong, Japan and South Africa. Some of these trips are teaching and training, others recruitment for overseas students.

Debbie enjoys being at the forefront of education, and is very aware of the rate of change in the workplace and in our everyday lives, and how this impacts education, and is excited to be joining the TH Governing body.

CLAIRE SAUNDERS was educated at BSG and trained as a primary school teacher at Homerton, Cambridge, graduating in 1992. She worked in primary schools for 11 years, and then moved to Moorlands College to oversee the Foundation Year programme, very much enjoying work in higher education.

RACHEL SMALL started her career in the City but retrained as a solicitor, qualifying in 1993. Rachel moved with her family to Bournemouth in 1998 and was a partner of Lester Aldridge solicitors from 2000-07, predominantly dealing in commercial litigation. She is now Head of Legal and Deputy Company Secretary for Liverpool Victoria Friendly Society, leading a team of 10 lawyers and assistants for the LV= Group.

Rachel's two daughters went to Talbot Heath and she was PSS Treasurer from 2007-10.

CLODIE SUTCLIFFE was educated at Talbot Heath from 1980 to 1987, following in her mother's footsteps. She was Deputy Head Girl in her final year. She graduated from Warwick University with a degree in PE and Maths, and went on to teach at Wentworth College, where she was Head of Physical Education.

In 1999 she had a change of career, joining Dorset Police and was promoted to Sergeant in 2004 and to Inspector in 2008. Her current role, as a Critical Incident Inspector, covers Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch. She lives locally with her husband and three energetic spaniels, and competes in triathlons!

DAVID TOWNEND is an experienced entrepreneur. He was born in London and brought up in Bath.

Since moving to Bournemouth in 1983, he has supported a number of businesses and driven them to achieve significant growth. His background is in IT and he has extensive experience in the aviation, energy and internet sectors and he currently has a number of local business interests.

His youngest daughter was educated at Talbot Heath from 2003 to 2009.



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