The Young Musician Competition - Powell Finalists

The house continues to have fantastic musicians - 7 out of 20 of the finalists were Powellians. Very well done to Gregory Ashley Taylor, Oliver Rivett, Sam Noton, Jossi Pears, Frederik Jensen, James Grout and Loic Bass Gualbert





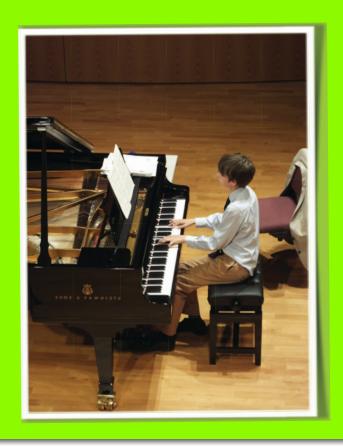




















Service

It has been another successful year for DofE and the College continues to have one of the highest completion rates in the South East. Last October, 89 pupils successfully passed their expedition component and this term we had: 26 silvers on assessments to the New Forest, 12 Golds on assessment to the Brecon Beacons and 24 Golds practising on the Black Mountains in Wales. The scheme continues to grow at the College, with 49 Year 10 pupils enrol for Silver. Well done to Max Giddins and Elliot Wilson for competing their Silver DofE expedition before the end of term.

The CCF returned to near-normality in March. A scaled-down version of the basic syllabus was completed and they achieved a great deal. Powell Year 10 have been excellent cadets and many took part in the excellent live-fire range day at Lydd and were also awarded their marksmen badges. Oliver Edmead, Alex Edwards, Sam Hamilton, Fred Jensen and Oliver May all completed a gruelling skills-at-arms course, too. All Year 10 pupils were involved in a adventure activity week, during the last week of term, withstanding the longest and wettest day this year.

James Grout and class mates had the privilege of interviewing Lord Lawson at his home in Eastbourne about his experiences in government and his views on some current events. The interview for the for *The Stag* covered Lord Lawson's reflections in life in Margaret Thatcher's cabinet, resignations, the Poll Tax, privatisation and the current furlough scheme.





Inter-house Golf - Winners 2021 at Royal Eastbourne GC



Year 9

Thoughts from Year 9...

"In Year 9 we have had many great experiences with the time we've had together. Unfortunately, we lost a lot of the start of our year here due to COVID but still managed to have a great time with what little time we had. Many people managed to get into UT4A rugby squad even though there were no matches, and most others started playing in the B's. Unfortunately like rugby, we did not get any matches but even more unfortunate is that we went into lock down meaning that we only had 3 lesson. In Year 9 we luckily had a great cricket season relatively unaffected by COVID, with Harrison and Felix getting into the A team and others getting into the b's and c's, all playing well against other schools with Felix's 95 against Brighton. Along with cricket in the Summer Term we have also had a few people playing tennis and athletics, with Sam coming very close to playing in the Under 15 games in tennis. We also have many people playing and competing in musical competitions, with Oli, Sam and Jossi managing to get to the finals in the young musician of the year. We also have Reha in the wind band. Another thing that really brought the year 9s together was the performance of Chaucer at the start of the year James, Ben, Max and Fin having memorable scenes together. Not only did this give us a small taste of normality that was otherwise taken away, but also let us get to know some of the upper years. For this performance and much more, Jossi won the year 9 drama prize and Esteban got the best male actor prize for his performance in Chaucer. Roll on Year 10 and becoming a buddy".

