



2024 HIGHLIGHTS

**“Tradition intertwined with modernity at this
forward-thinking all-rounder gem”**

The Good Schools Guide, 2024





EXTRAORDINARY STARTS WITH EASTBOURNE



At Eastbourne College, we put all our energy into helping every child **unlock their extraordinary**. It is our belief that their potential has no limit. So, it gives me great pleasure to see so many of our children achieving within and beyond the classroom.

Tom Lawson, Headmaster

HELPING PUPILS FIND THEIR OWN SUPERB

Our ambition is to inspire modern minds with our healthy, balanced learning approach and our passion for innovation.





OUR VALUES ARE TIMELESS

Our school was founded by ordinary people who believed in the power of education not only to deliver academic quality, but also encourage good health and breadth of character. Many generations later, we still live by the same values: our pupils are ambitious and confident, but also grounded. Put simply, they are good people who others want to be with.

A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO LEARNING

Our diverse academic syllabus is complemented by exceptional co-curricular opportunities. This approach helps young people nurture and grow their individual talents. Ultimately we develop happy, successful pupils who often achieve far beyond their expectations.

SUCCESS OF THE INDIVIDUAL

There is no such thing as a typical Eastbourne pupil. Every individual is cherished for who they are and encouraged to be inquisitive, open-minded and find inspiration in everything they do. Class sizes are small, offering customised learning, our modern facilities offer greater opportunities, and our co-curricular activities are as rich and diverse as our unique surroundings.

HEALTHY LEARNING FOR THE LONG TERM

Enjoying the outdoors is a big part of our commitment to our whole-of-learning approach. As a blue-health school, we want our pupils to grow up in an active environment that is busy and purposeful, where our idyllic coastal location and state-of-the-art campus promote healthy, social and happy lives.

CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT AND SUCCESS

We're proud of our heritage, but always looking forward, empowering our pupils to question the answers and find their own path in life. Our year-on-year developments at the College stand as a commitment to our pupils' future success.

NATIONAL WELLBEING AWARD

Eastbourne College and St Andrew's Prep both received the Wellbeing Award for Schools from the National Children's Bureau and Osiris Education, recognising the quality of pastoral care across both schools.

NATIONAL CREATIVITY AWARD

Eastbourne College was awarded the prestigious Platinum Artsmark by the Arts Council for its outstanding work in creative and performing arts, the only school of its type in the South East to receive this top award.

NATIONAL SPORTS COACHING AWARD

Eastbourne College won the national Talk Education Award for Innovation in Education for its inspiring approach to coaching sport at every level.

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

The College was a finalist in the Muddy Stilettos Most Inclusive Senior School of the Year Award. The Be You Group – a body of forums such as LGBTQ+, Gender, Race and Ethnicity – took part in a workshop with former pupil Suzy Izzard during Pride Month.

Eastbourne College was also shortlisted for the TES Boarding School of the Year Award and the Independent Schools Partnership of the Year Award.





ISI Inspection result:

EXCELLENT

The highest possible rating. The report praised the quality of pupils' achievements and personal development.

“Pupils can be themselves and achieve their best while demonstrating remarkably high levels of self-confidence, self-reliance and resilience.”

ISI



2023-2026



COMMITTED TO ACHIEVING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

GCSE

Year on year, the College is typically ranked in the top 4% of schools in the country on the basis of 'value added' (how much the pupils achieve above and beyond their expected grades).

52%

of exams awarded
grades 7–9 (A–A*)

10+ GRADE 9s

gained by three outstanding pupils

21 PUPILS

a record number achieving all grades 7–9 (A–A*)

MORE THAN 200

grade 9s awarded in 2024

80%
A*-B in
sciences

A-LEVEL

21 A*s
achieved among the top 5 performers

84%
A*-B in creative
subjects

75%
A*-B

ALL PUPILS

applying to Oxford and Cambridge achieved
their conditional offers

ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Highly skilled and qualified teachers make the most of world-class facilities to inspire pupils to reach their highest potential across the curriculum. This year's leavers include those going on to read natural sciences at Cambridge and theoretical physics at Imperial, while others have been awarded places to study economics, history and music at Oxford.

DEBATING

Matthew Arnold, Miles Howlett, Matthew Murray and Robert Tidswell reached the **UK School Challenge Intermediate Plate Final**. **Matthew Arnold** and **Miles Howlett** also won the **Handcross Park School Debate Competition**.

ECONOMICS

Alex Bailey was awarded the prestigious Fundamentals of Financial Services Outstanding Achievement Award by the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investments (CISI) after achieving 100% on his exam. Visiting speakers included Sukhwinder Singh, a centre director for the IMF, and Toby van der Meer, CEO of Hastings Group.

ENGLISH

Several Year 10 pupils had their poems included in the permanent display along the seafront produced by the Environment Agency to mark World Oceans Day. The Literary Society had talks from visiting academics including Richard Jacobs, Honorary Fellow and Principal Lecturer at the University of Brighton.

HUMANITIES

Geography pupils **Alice Osborne, Anya Rai, Jasper Simpson** and **Sergio Vieira** provided input into work being done on how to teach behaviour change to reduce carbon footprint by the **Lords Select Committee for Climate Change and the Environment**. Sixth form pupils enjoyed lectures at the Universities of Brighton and Sussex on climate change and migration. Pupils in Year 10 and Year 12 worked with the Environment Agency to help shape ideas for the UK's largest coastal management scheme which runs from Eastbourne to Pevensy.

Jess Coupland was offered a place to read history at **Pembroke College, Oxford**, and **Henry Tang** a place to read history and economics at **Oriel College, Oxford**. **George Hoad** was invited to speak at **We Have Ways Fest**, Europe's biggest Second World War festival.

May Fogarty-Stevens was **highly commended** for her essay on whether the UK has a moral responsibility to protect the human rights of Iranian citizens in the annual essay competition run by **Exeter College, Oxford**.



MEDICINE

Following our medics gaining places at universities including **Cambridge** and **Imperial** last year, **Ben Clark** secured a place to study medicine at **Keele**, supported by our resident qualified doctor and applicant mentor, Dr Emily Miller.

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Having achieved one of the top marks in the country for her Latin GCSE, **Xanthe Lawson** won a silver medal for the **advanced UK Linguists Olympiad**. **Anjali Pal** was highly commended for her entry to the **Anthea Bell German Translation** competition. The College was selected for the Day of the Dead video competition hosted by Southampton University and the Mexican Embassy, a collaborative production by Year 13 pupils in art, photography and Spanish. Year 12 linguists mentored pupils from local schools to help prepare them for their French GCSE.

MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS

Matthew Wakefield was awarded a place to read music at **Worcester College, Oxford**. **Alice Younger** enjoyed a second season with the **National Youth Orchestra**, and accepted a place at the **Royal College of Music** having received scholarship offers from several other leading conservatoires.

Harry Evans won a place in the **National Youth Music Theatre**, **Jack Evans** in the **National Youth Theatre of Great Britain** and **Ben Young** at the **Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama**. As part of their course, Year 10 drama pupils devised a piece examining the role the pandemic played in worsening inequality, and Year 13 pupils created a piece in the style of *The Paper Birds* that challenged the failures of the social care system in the UK.

After winning the **Great British Dance Off** for two successive years **Herbie Sleep** gained an unconditional place at **Laine Theatre Arts** where he will be completing the musical theatre course. He is the second pupil from the College to be awarded a place at this prestigious performing arts college in recent years. **Lucia Ridley** was the first pupil to complete a performance based EPQ, achieving a top mark for her study of the choreographer Jerome Robbins.

SCHOLARS

As well as the initiatives run by departments, the **Hayman Society** and **Casson Society** ran scholars trips to **Oxford** and **Cambridge**, and hosted talks by a range of academics and other speakers.





STEM

The College has a long and proud history in STEM, and numbers a **chemistry Nobel Laureate among its former pupils.**

Gabriela Dixon achieved gold in the **Intermediate Biology Olympiad**, and **Thomas Lucas** achieved silver. A further seven pupils achieved bronze and six pupils were Highly Commended. Biology sixth form pupils took part in monitoring and conservation work for giraffes and other species during the College trip to **Kwazulu Natal** in **South Africa**, supporting the tracking and monitoring of animals in their natural habitats.

Tiger Ge, **Zain Radwan** and **Bob Zhao** won gold awards in the **UK Chemistry RSC Olympiad**, and the College earned a record number of awards including four silver and 17 bronze awards. **Tiger Ge** was awarded a place to read **natural sciences at Magdelene College, Cambridge**, and **Izzie D'Abbraccio**, **Poppy Clarke**, **Humreen Ellens** and **Freddie Timlin** won silver awards in the **Royal Society of Chemistry Top of the Bench** competition.

Over **100 pupils studied mathematics A-level** this year, of whom **30 also studied further mathematics.** **Dean Zhang** was placed in the top 100 nationally in the **UKMT Maclaurin Olympiad**, and **Viola Han** was placed in the top 100 nationally in the **UKMT Hamilton Olympiad.** **Sam Huang**, **Zain Radwan** and **Dean Zhang** qualified for the **British Mathematical Olympiad Round 1.** Over 20 Year 12 mathematics pupils mentored Year 11 pupils from local schools to help prepare them for their mathematics GCSE exams.

Ivan Wong achieved silver in the **UK Physics Olympiad**, and was offered a place at **Imperial** to study physics and theoretical physics. **Maksym Matviievskiy** was offered a place at **Imperial** to study electrical and electronic engineering. **Zain Radwan** was offered places to read engineering at **Cornell University** and **Duke University** in the USA. Ten pupils received offers to study a range of engineering degrees including aeronautical, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering at **Russell Group** universities.

Varvara Kriuchkova and **Caedmon Myeni** achieved bronze awards in the **Senior Physics Challenge.** Physics pupils enjoyed their trip to **CERN**, including visits to the control room for the **Large Hadron Collider**, and talks by visiting academics including former pupil **Katya Goodwin** discussing her doctorate at **Imperial** on aerospace.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

The sporting programme gives pupils a broad experience of sport and still allows for specialisation and focus on elite pathways. The College achieves remarkable success at county, regional and national level, as well as enabling sport for all.

ATHLETICS

Pupils achieved six gold, two silver and four bronze medals in the Diamond League along with personal bests, new College and new Diamond League records. Seventeen pupils were selected to represent Sussex, with **Eliza Williams-Thomas** competing for Sussex in the **National Schools Championships**. OE **Hamish Reilly** competed for **Great Britain** in the **World U23 triathlon finals**.

BADMINTON

The squad benefited from a **coaching masterclass** by **Heather Oliver**, **England Commonwealth Games Silver Medallist** and Olympian.

BASKETBALL

Under professional coach and England 35+ basketball player Ian Berry, the College basketball team **progressed the furthest** it ever has in the **National Schools Cup**.

CRICKET

The girls 1st XI beat the **MCC**, and **Georgie Pedley** scored the first century in girls cricket at the College. Following the boys 1st and 2nd XI being crowned as **county champions** the previous year, and the 1st XI being named as one of the top **15 Outstanding School Teams in Wisden**, the **1st XI** had another successful season including wins over Bede's, King's, Tonbridge and Whitgift, reaching the furthest the College has ever reached in the **national T20** competition, and playing against a **Lashings XI** packed with former internationals. The following pupils are involved in county cricket: **Paddy Cooper** (Sussex U18), **Alfie Hunter** (Sussex U18), **Tom McDonald** (Kent U18), **Ollie Kirtley** (Sussex U16), **Tom Van Rensburg** (Sussex U15), **Emma Valks** (Sussex U15), **Georgie Pedley** (Sussex U15 and Vipers EPP), **Jack Jordan** (Sussex U14). Recent pupils **Harry Finch** and **Tawanda Muyeye** signed new contracts at **Kent CCC**, while **Oliver Carter** and **Daniel Ibrahim** played for **Sussex CCC**. **Tilly Callaghan**, our director of cricket, scored 50 for the MCC at **Lord's**, having won the **County Championship** with **Essex CCC** last season.





NATIONAL SPORTS AWARD

Eastbourne College won the national Talk Education Award for Innovation in the Inspiring Sporting Activities category, recognising its achievements and initiatives to get pupils active.

EQUESTRIAN

The College team reached the **national NSEA finals** at Addington for the eighth successive year. **Darcy Dumas, Chloe Hynes, Reuben Mace** and **Millie Stack** all put in clear rounds in the 80cm showjumping qualifier, progressing to the final where they finished **seventh in the country**.

FENCING

Izzie D'Abbraccio won a silver medal the U14 age group épée at the **Public Schools Fencing Championships** from over 80 entrants. She also won the **U14 Elite Épée Series Grand Final** and the **U16 Kent County Championships**.

ANNUAL INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS

STEEPLECHASE

Pupils from every house and year group ran a course on the nearby South Downs, ending at the Wish Tower on the seafront.



FIVES

Dexter Bell and **Archie Stephens** won the **U18 southeast regionals doubles plate competition** beating Tonbridge in the final, while **Daisy Dunkley** won the **U18 singles plate** and then, with **Daisy Barrow**, won the **doubles plate competition**. The U14 girls won the doubles plate following an all-Eastbourne final.

FOOTBALL

The College ran four senior teams and two U16 teams. **Kayla Ginger** played for **Brighton and Hove Albion** and **Hungary U19**.

HOCKEY

Sam Bordass, **Eliza Jones** and **Ella Panayiotou** played for the **EGTA** in the **England Talent Academy** festival at Nottingham. **Sam Bordass**, **Bertie Cooke**, **Sophie Fellows**, **Will Fellows**, **Rosie Hill** and **Tom Lucas** were selected into the **East Grinstead England Talent pathway squad**, and **Serena Patel** was selected into the **East Grinstead Talent Academy** feeder squad. The boys 1st XI scored 78 goals from 17 matches at an average of 4.5 goals per game. **Sam Bordass** broke the boys 1st XI goal-scoring record by scoring his 30th goal in the final game at the Bath Festival against national cup semi-finalists, Solihull.

NETBALL

A record 19 netball teams played including five U14 teams. The 1st VII netball squad won nine matches and had a fourth place finish at the **Sussex Cup, SISNA**. The U15As gained valuable experience at SISNA finishing fifth. **Lottie Hinton**, **Lucy McDonald** and **Imo White** were selected for **Super League** squads, and recent leaver **Lily Harley** played for **Leeds Rhino Super League** team.

ROWING

Former pupil **Carina Graf** competed in the winning **Cambridge Women's Blue Boat** for the second successive year in the annual **Varsity Boat Race**. Carina is studying a PhD in developing new techniques for neuroimaging, and came to speak with sports scholars at the College.

RUGBY

After reaching the **RFU National Schools Bowl** final three years ago and a quarter final last year, the 1st XV had another successful run to the last 16, while the U15 team reached the quarter finals of the **National Schools Bowl**. **Jack Greig** was offered a contract with **Ealing Trailfinders**, the current rugby championship title holders. Former pupil **Piers O'Connor** became a centurion for **Bristol Bears** premiership rugby team.

90%
of pupils competed
in fixtures

900+
FIXTURES

18
SPORTS

6
sports in national
finals with 3 in
latter rounds

100+
TEAMS

11
sports compete at
county, regional or
national level

SWIMMING

The College secured **11 gold, six silver** and **nine bronze** medals at the **National Individual Independent Schools Swimming Championships**, and the **Boys Medley** and **Freestyle Relay** won both **relay titles** at the **National Independent Small Schools Bath Cup** competition. **Stanley Yeats** trained with the **England Pathway** squad, and qualified for the **English Nationals** with **Matthew Clark** and **Hattie Stone**. **Matthew Clark** also qualified for the **British Championships**. **Nate Cahill** qualified for the **Irish Nationals**, and **Amelie Hunt** won the 50m breaststroke in the **Welsh Nationals**. The swimmers had the privilege of training workshops with **Ed Baxter**, **Commonwealth Youth Games Champion**, **British Record Holder** and multiple British National Champion in the 200m breaststroke.

TENNIS

The girls senior team won the **Winter LTA Schools title** beating over 250 schools who entered the competition. This is the second time the girls have won this national competition. The girls squad played in the **Women's National Premier League** and qualified for the **Summer National finals** for the seventh time in eight years, beating schools including Millfield on their way to the quarter-finals. **Daisy Barrow** and **Gaby Pacheco-Lagoda** represented **Sussex Ladies** in the County Cup Tournament, helping to promote the county to division three. **Sergio Vieira** continued to compete at a high level on the **LTA British Tour**. **Daniel Li** played for Hampden Park Mens 1st team in the top Sussex league. **St Andrew's Prep School** won the **IAPS national tennis championships**.



Swimming Squad National Champions



Girls Tennis National Champions

CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS HIGHLIGHTS

Specialist teachers and practitioners inspire pupils to achieve in all areas of creative and performing arts. This year's leavers include those who have earned places to study at the Royal College of Music, the Royal Welsh College of Drama and Music and the London College of Fashion.

ART

Pupils including all of Year 9 were able to see the work of the four **Turner Prize** shortlisted artists at the Towner Gallery next door to the College. Jesse Darling was announced as the winner at the College's Birley Centre in December. **Alex Davies** and **Missy Richardson** were commissioned to produce a diptych for St Andrew's Prep reception. **Toby Wheatley** was highly praised for his practical EPQ submission which was awarded full marks. **Artist in Residence Tallin Aylward** worked with pupils from across the visual arts subjects, including junior art scholars, producing **Tracing the Bounds** which was displayed in the Nugee Mezzanine gallery. The majority of the A-level cohort chose visual arts or design pathways for university, including two pupils who have secured offers to study architecture and two for graphic design. Art scholars in Years 9 to 12 enjoyed a trip to the **National Gallery** and **National Portrait Gallery**.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Dan Clark and **Jonah Ripley** were both awarded an **Arkwright Scholarship**, nationally recognised as a leading award for pupils with outstanding academic and practical abilities in design. **Oliver Edmead**, current Arkwright Scholar, was successful in reaching the interview stage for a **Quest Undergraduate Scholarship** provided by the **Institute of Civil Engineers**.

DANCE

A-level dance workshops were run at the College by **Jodie Clark**, the assistant director of the UK's leading performing arts establishment, **The Brit School**, and by **Daniel Hay-Gordon**, co-director of LGBTQ+ dance company, **Thick and Tight**. A-Level pupils watched the **New York City Ballet** at **Sadlers Wells Theatre**, and **Cabaret** in London's **Kit Kat Club**. The College also hosted GCSE dance workshops by **Rambert's A Linha Curva**, **Boy Blue's Emancipation of Expressionism** and **James Cousin's Company's Within Her Eyes**. Former **Great British Dance Off Champion Herbie Sleep** received an unconditional offer from Laine Theatre Arts.



DRAMA

The College musical **Sweeney Todd**, involving a 50-strong cast and orchestra, was performed before packed houses, while sixth form drama pupils put on **Betrayal** by Harold Pinter and **Violence and Son** by Gary Owen. The Year 9 drama festival saw every house performing scenes from **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**, while Year 9 drama scholars performed challenging works by Coward, Ibsen and Shakespeare. EBCTV premiered episode two of their series drama set in a school. Other performances included **A Night at the Musicals** in aid of Young Minds UK, and a podcast of episodes one and two of **Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** produced by Year 11 and Year 13 drama scholars in the College's state-of-the-art recording studio.

Pupils enjoyed **masterclasses** with **Olivier award nominee Kelly Price**, **RSC favourite Ed Bennett** (who played Hamlet in the West End), **Gecko Theatre** and **The Paper Birds**. The year ended with Year 12 pupils putting on the comedy **The Good Doctor** in the outdoor Dell Theatre. **Harry Evans** won a place in the **National Youth Music Theatre**, **Jack Evans** in the **National Youth Theatre of Great Britain** and **Ben Young** at the **Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama**.



Artsmark
Platinum Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

ARTSMARK PLATINUM AWARD

The Platinum Artsmark is the top award for creative quality in education, accredited by Arts Council England. Eastbourne College is the only school of its type to receive this level of award in the South East.





GOLD ARTS AWARD

Sixth form pupils at Eastbourne College are able to undertake a **Gold Arts Award** alongside their chosen A-levels. This is the highest level of arts award for young people, accredited by **Arts Council England** and **Trinity College London**. Projects this year included the curation of an original and personal Gaze exhibition by **Francesca Dale, Otto Klosterfelde, Polina Lipanova, Liv Reade, Missy Richardson** and **Hannah Sewell. Oliver Du Feu** and **Jack Evans** assisted in the curation of the Arts Award exhibition and **Tallulah Hodges** delivered a workshop at the event. **Holly Mitchell** published an Arts Award magazine. The Year 12 cohort have taken part in screenwriting, film making, photography and acting for film workshops, and the curation group visited the **Yoko Ono and the Expressionists** exhibition at the **Tate Modern**. The first cohort of **Bronze Arts Award** entries have been submitted by pupils.

MUSIC

Music continues to thrive at the College. The orchestra, jazz band and singer songwriters all performed at a range of venues, and work by the singer songwriters came out on Spotify. **The Chapel Choir**, numbering over 50 pupils, sang evensong in **St Clement Danes Church** in London in a service commemorating 75 years of the Combined Cadet Force. The first Big School Band Night was held, showcasing the breadth of talent and the number of rock bands at the College and raising over £500 for the Chapel Charity. Year 13 Music Tech performers plus a celebrity DJ held the first **Eastbourne College Soundlab**, raising money for another charity. The annual Year 9 concert saw more class bands than ever, with many pupils performing on instruments for the first time. Among other trips, the scholars were taken to watch **The Magic Flute** at **Glyndebourne. Winsome To** passed her vocal diploma with distinction and **Hanhan Zhu** passed her violin diploma with distinction. After a second season with the **National Youth Orchestra, Alice Younger** accepted a place to study violin at the **Royal College of Music** having received scholarship offers from several other leading conservatoires. **Matthew Wakefield** was awarded a place to read music at **Worcester College, Oxford**.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Year 12 photographers and Gold Arts Award pupils worked with photographer **Benjamin Youd** to explore portraiture, studio lighting and storytelling, and visited **Intrepid Studios** in Brighton where they worked in the professional studio using large format cameras. **Sophie McDonald** produced a music video shown at the **Turner Prize** wrap party at the Winter Gardens. **Jossi Pears** worked as an events photographer and videographer, photographing live music performances and producing promotional videos. He also worked as production assistant on shoots for clients including **Nestlé** and **Apple**.

TEXTILES

As part of her Gold Arts Award, **Liv Reade** produced a Fast Fashion Collection and **Fashion Show** to highlight the benefits of slow fashion over fast fashion. Liv has previously won **Young Fashioner Designer UK**. Pupils were able to enter the **Royal Opera House Costume Design Challenge, Wool4School** competition, **Student Textiles Artist 2024, Young Fashion Designer UK** and **Graduate Foundation Fashion Design** competition. Trips included visits to **New Designers, Diva Exhibition** at the **V&A** and the **Towner Turner Prize**.

SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Modern young people want to make a positive difference in society. We encourage pupils to reflect on their good fortune and consider, as an integral part of their wider education, the needs of others.



This year a group of College sixth form pupils visited Kwazulu Natal in South Africa and, as well as assisting with conservation work, visited orphanages and schools, supporting larger initiatives such as providing internet access and computers to schools.

CHARITY

Charity lunches, quiz nights and a charity revue raised over £3,000 for **Mary's Meals**, this year's Chapel charity, which provides over 2½ million meals each day to keep children in school in some of the poorest countries in the world.

Second-hand clothing was collected for the **Turing School Welfare Bank** to help Eastbourne families. The Charity Society sponsored the **Community Chest**, providing hampers during the festive season.

Blackwater raised over £700 for the **Little Princess Trust** from their revue and Christmas Candy Canes (and **Kirsty Williams** notably running the Bath half marathon).

Craig raised over £500 for **SUDC UK (Sudden Unexplained Death in Children)** through their revue and a Summer Fair.

Gonville raised over £800 for the **Matthew 25 Mission** at their revue.

Nugent raised £250 at their revue for the **Multiple Sclerosis Society**.

Pennell raised over £300 from their revue and Easter Egg sales for **Art4Kids**, a charity supporting Ukrainian children.

In **Powell, Sloane Tennant** raised over £1,700 for **WaterAid** as he (virtually) rowed 500 miles of the Zambezi River.

Reeves raised £530 for **Brain Tumour Research**.

School House raised over £500 for **MIND** through their revue and selling Valentine's Day roses.

In **Wargrave, Brooke Haycock** (with **Monty Dean** from Reeves) walked 100km to raise over £1,800 for a local village charity. The house raised over £15,000 for **St Peter and St James' Hospice** thanks to a 24-hour rowathon, house revue and other events.

Watt raised £4,025 from a walk for **You Raise Me Up**, a charity supporting families that have lost a young adult. A cake sale produced over £650 for the **Sanctuary Café**, and the house revue raised £320 for **Holding Space**, a local mental health charity.



A cross-house effort by **Alex Chapman, Ben Davies, Will Fellows** and **Tom Stoner** raised over £3,700 for the cancer charity Race for Life, and a recent Old Eastbournian **Maia Mountain** undertook a 144km Jungle Challenge in Costa Rica to raise money for **MIND**. The Charity Society supported her and together with others outside the College she raised over £16,000.

The College Harvest Appeal for **Eastbourne Foodbank** donated 300 quality meals, and the sale of poppies and the collection from Remembrance Sunday raised £500 for the **Poppy Appeal**.

COMMUNITY

Local elderly residents have been enjoying afternoon entertainment at **Wednesday Club** in the College dining room.

The Green Team have been out and about clearing litter from the beach and the seafront.

The Chaseley group members continue to visit severely disabled residents up at **Chaseley Trust**, with games of Chess and Monopoly, as well as helping at craft sessions and in their physiotherapy department.

A small group of pupils have been cleaning and maintaining wheelchairs for the **Shopmobility Service** in the Beacon Centre to help less mobile Eastbourne residents enjoy their shopping trips.

CO-CURRICULAR HIGHLIGHTS

The College offers over 70 activities from board games to computer coding, from windsurfing to yoga. The extended day means that pupils can enjoy these activities, developing interests and valuable life skills, without compromising their academic education.



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME

Over 200 pupils worked towards their Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. Record numbers completed their Awards, and our Gold Award pupils received their certificates from HRH Prince Edward, the Duke of Edinburgh, at Buckingham Palace. Gold expeditions took place in the Black Mountains and Brecon Beacons.

LEADERSHIP, AWARDS AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT (LAPD)

LAPD is a unique programme to Eastbourne College which serves to develop leadership and confidence while collecting a portfolio of qualifications, some earning UCAS points. In its first year, sixth form pupils qualified as lowland expedition leaders, outdoor remote first aiders and mountain bike trail leaders.

COMBINED CADET FORCE

With 285 cadets in the Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force sections, Eastbourne College has one of the largest CCF contingents in the south, instilling camaraderie, leadership, responsibility and resourcefulness.



A PROUD HISTORY

The College has a proud history in the services. Former pupils include Admiral Sir Ian Forbes who was Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic, General Sir Kevin O'Donoghue who was Chief of Defence Materiel, and General David Richards, Baron Richards of Herstmonceux, who was Chief of Defence Staff. Current Deputy Head Co-Curricular Brigadier Anthony Lamb leads the CCF, and is head of cadets strategy nationwide at the MoD.



Alexander Davies, one of the heads of school and our Senior Cadet, was selected to serve as a Lord Lieutenant's Cadet for East Sussex. Phil Martin was awarded a Certificate of Meritorious Service. Both were present at a House of Lords celebration of Eastbourne College CCF.

ARMY

The Year 10 Army cadets were taught to build a shelter, cook in the field, handle a rifle safely, move tactically as a section, and were introduced to essential first aid, teamwork skills and the basics of using a radio in preparation for overnight exercises. As much of this training as possible is delivered by sixth form cadet NCOs, who are the product of our in-house instructor training during Year 11.

NAVY

The Year 10 Royal Navy cadets enjoyed a visit aboard HMS Puncher, an Archer class patrol vessel. The year climaxed in two days of water sports and a day visit to Portsmouth's historic dockyard.

RAF

In the RAF Section, overnight trips through the year ensured as many cadets as possible could enjoy an individual flight with an instructor, including taking the controls of the aircraft. Year 10 RAF cadets finished their year with a four-day camp packed with a variety of opportunities for personal development.

COASTAL SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

Eastbourne College is a founding member of the Coastal Schools Partnership (CSP) comprising Eastbourne College and 12 maintained secondary schools, free schools, academies and colleges, whose mission is to collaborate on projects for the mutual benefit of pupils, staff and the local community.

The CSP has proven impact on the quality of learning across the Partnership and on the self-esteem and leadership skills of the young people involved. We focus on seven areas, decided on by the Partnership:

RAISE ASPIRATION

We enjoy close links with universities, and have run interactive workshops and fairs to enable pupils to learn more about different degree courses, and also helped pupils to apply to Oxbridge and other universities.

INFLUENCE CHANGE

Pupils are given access to key opinion makers (for example, this year, the House of Lords, the Environment Agency, the Eden Project and the Local Authority) and work to develop meaningful pro-active projects about where they live.

CHALLENGE AND SUPPORT

College Year 12 pupils provided weekly mentoring to GCSE pupils from local schools in mathematics and modern foreign languages. They also provided literacy support to local Year 8 pupils, and a Saturday Basketball Club followed by a hot lunch is offered to other targeted groups of local pupils. Dr Steve Hobbs ran a yearly X-Calibre Scholars programme to develop critical and creative thinking amongst Year 9 CSP pupils, supported by College Year 12 pupils.

PROVIDE CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Colleagues at CSP schools shared good practice this year in equality, diversity and inclusion, PSHE and how to encourage positive engagement amongst pupils. They also worked with the David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation on including ideas of conservation across the curriculum.

“The Coastal Schools Partnership is a genuinely impressive achievement”

**Baroness Parminter,
Chair, House of
Lords Environment
and Climate Change**





**The young people of Eastbourne are an extraordinary, engaged and committed group who are creating a climate of positive change and engaging in it.”
Sir Tim Smit, founder of the Eden Project**



IMPROVE GOVERNANCE

Staff from CSP schools are invited to sit on governing bodies of other partnership schools; CSP HR managers meet regularly to share good practice.

ENRICHMENT AND CREATIVITY


This year we ran dance residencies for CSP pupils and staff with international dance companies, arranged for all CSP Year 9 pupils to visit the Turner Prize exhibits at the Towner Gallery and displayed creative writing and artwork by CSP pupils along the seafront to mark World Oceans Day (working with the Environment Agency).

SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY


CSP pupils continued to work with the Eden Project and the council to help young people reconnect with the local landscape, and an £11 million development was approved to turn an old farm on the downs into a centre for environmental engagement.

WE ARE EASTBOURNIANS

The College is proud of its reputation for preparing pupils for life. Old Eastbournians (OEs) leave as confident young people equipped with the requisite values, skills and qualifications to embark on the next phase of their lives.



“Eastbourne College is a hidden gem. Superlative facilities and an innovative mindset seems to be a winning formula for turning out engaging, confident and grounded young adults.”

 TALKEDUCATION



95%

of leavers go on to university

85%

of leavers go on to their first choice of university



Recent leavers were offered places at Cambridge to read law, medicine and natural sciences, and at Oxford to read economics, history, maths and music. Pupils also moved on to universities of Bristol, Birmingham, Cardiff, Durham, Edinburgh, Exeter, Glasgow, Leeds, Liverpool, Imperial College London, King's College London, LSE, Manchester, Newcastle, Nottingham, Queen Mary, Southampton, St Andrews, UCL, Warwick and York.

“Parents are exceptionally happy with the wholesome, grounded approach at Eastbourne College.”

TATLER

On top of awarding Eastbourne College the recent Eco-Warrior Award, Tatler praised our breadth of activities beyond the classroom and continued commitment to our pupils' happiness and wellbeing:

“The stunning coastal location shapes life here. Beyond providing beautiful views, it's the vital component of a new tradition – the Aquathlon – comprising a swim in the sea followed by a run. Eastbourne students have a reputation for being sporty. A £33million complex gives them a 300sqm gym, a six-lane swimming pool and two squash courts (and sports teachers are often ex-professionals themselves). The result? A thriving triathlon club; a number of hockey players competing at national level; and several rugby players involved in the Harlequins' U17 programmes.

But the sea breeze doesn't just make pupils hardy; it also awakens their creativity. Recent art exhibitions have explored the climate crisis, and lately a leaver was a runner-up in a worldwide design competition for eco-friendly food packaging. Thirty per cent of students take music lessons; and highlights of the past few terms have included a production of *Les Misérables*, outdoor concerts, and a performance by the jazz band at the Children's Respite Trust Ball.

Pastoral care is underpinned by the Mindgym programme – using exercise to promote mental health and wellbeing – and a range of diversity and inclusion initiatives.”



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“Eastbourne has surpassed our expectations. We truly believe there isn’t a better school.”

Eastbournian parent

“Eastbourne College is thrilled to be awarded the national Eco-Warrior Award. We constantly look at ways to educate our pupils about their impact on the environment and how they can make a difference.”

Tom Lawson, Headmaster

THE SEA INSPIRES US

Enjoying the outdoors is a big part of our commitment to our whole-of-learning approach. As a blue-health school, we want our pupils to grow up in an active environment that is busy and purposeful, where our idyllic coastal location promotes healthy, social and happy lives.





Condé Nast Traveller names the Seven Sisters Country Park, East Sussex, in their list of the 59 most beautiful places to visit in the world.

Britain's unspoilt south coast is home to one of the country's greatest walking trails and seaside parks, the Seven Sisters. Made up of 280 hectares of chalk cliffs, a winding river valley and flat top grasslands with views of the English Channel, the coastal path begins near Eastbourne, the start of the 100-mile South Downs Way."

**Condé Nast
Traveller**



Eastbourne tops the list of Time Out's UK Best Places to Visit.

Time Out – the global media and hospitality brand which helps people explore and experience the best of the city – heralds the East Sussex town's rising status as a creative and cultural hub, with contemporary art gallery, Towner Eastbourne, hosting the recent Turner Prize this year. Other events highlighted include the Screen International Film Festival and Beach Life Music Festival. The town's live music venues and independent shops and eating spots are also singled out."

TimeOut



“Eastbourne College’s facilities are now some of the best in the country and the pastoral care is second to none.” Tatler



We are committed to helping our pupils unlock their individual potential and inspire their own extraordinary journey, but don't just take our word for it.

We chose Eastbourne College for our son because of their passion and dedication to education. They have created a community that is focused on unlocking every child's potential.




The College is also exceptional at treating each child truly as an individual, gently pushing and supporting them to be the very best they can be. Ultimately, it is a very happy school, turning out motivated, kind and confident young adults you want to spend time with.



I believe the school's greatest strength is its approach to nurturing and guiding students to become independent thinkers.





I think Eastbourne College may have a reputation for achieving success on the sports field and certainly has some of the best facilities of any senior school. However, the school is encouraging of all abilities, and, if your child hasn't played a sport before, they will be taught how to play, and encouraged to take part rather than sit on the bench.



Eastbourne has surpassed our expectations and is helping to shape our son's outlook on the world. We are proud to be a part of the school community and truly believe there isn't a better school.



The greatest strengths in my view are the opportunities that all pupils have with an Eastbourne College education; pupils are given the chance to excel across several disciplines, and the College will encourage pupils to discover themselves and achieve their maximum potential.



TAKE THE NEXT STEP COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELF

There is only so much we can convey on these pages about the unique ethos and environment that makes Eastbourne College such a special place for its pupils.

Our wonderful location and facilities and the warmth of our welcome can truly be appreciated only when you visit us. We encourage any family considering our school to join one of our tremendously popular open events or to arrange a personalised visit.

Touring our world-class campus, chatting with your pupil guide, engaging with housemasters / mistresses, dropping in on lessons, and meeting the headmaster, is one of the most important steps in the decision-making process for you and your child. Why? Because this is the beginning of a relationship.



OUR ENTRY PROCESS

Eastbourne College welcomes applications from pupils of all backgrounds. The College has a very strong record for academic value added. This means that many pupils, regardless of ability, strongly outperform expectation compared to the national average.

Our entry procedures are intended to identify applicants who will thrive at Eastbourne. The College selects pupils primarily on the basis of their underlying academic ability and personal character.

There are normally two points of entry into the College: our main intake is at the start of the Michaelmas term in Year 9 for boys and girls aged 13 plus. Offers for this entry point are largely made when pupils are in Year 6 and generally based upon references and existing academic testing information. We do not pre-test.

Pupils also often join us for two-year A-level courses, commencing in the Lower Sixth (Year 12). Pupils wishing to join the College in Year 10 are considered on an individual basis.

We recognise that the selection of a senior school is very much a two-way process and we are pleased to receive enquiries from, and offer guidance to, any parents interested in their child attending the College at all points of entry.

Please contact our admissions team who will be delighted to answer any questions, and to fix a time for a visit: admissions@eastbourne-college.co.uk or 01323 452323

For more information scan the QR code below.



SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The following scholarships and awards were made to pupils who started at the College in Michaelmas term 2024

YEAR 9

ACADEMIC

Teo Bailey
Darina Bodnar-Dybash
Ruth Boothby
Lana Constable
Ethan Harrison
Emily Hawkins
Lottie Hecks
Lefteris Ioannidis
Matthew Mallmann
Wettern
William Nguyen
Seraphina Weston

ART

Ida Akker
Belle Lee
Jack Roberts
Neve Wolstenholme

DRAMA

Teo Bailey
Ruth Boothby
Lana Constable
Erin Hillyer
Emilia Johnson
Poppy Ward

MUSIC

Jake Knowles

SPORT

Henry Cooke
Edward Evans
James Fisher
Tom Hecks
Lottie Hecks
Jack Kirtley
Archie Stack
Oliver Twynning

YEAR 11

PETER BIBBY CRICKET AWARD

Charl Spies

SIXTH FORM

ACADEMIC

Esther Ellwood
Ruby Oliver

ART

Isabella Walters

DRAMA

Jemima Bailey

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Thomas Richards

SPORT

Jasmine Beckett
Jack Hylands
Izzy Simpson Fogg

PRIZE WINNERS 2024

YEAR 9

Emily Hale Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance
in Year 9 *Poppy Clarke*

Headmaster's Prize for All-round Contribution in Year 9
Elizabeth O'Sullivan & William Wood

Art Prize *Sara Xue*

Biology: Philip Matthew Prize *Eleanor May*

Chemistry Prize *Jack Jordan*

Classical Civilisation Prize *Sunny Shen*

Dance Prize *Mariia Susidko*

Design and Technology Prize *Georgete Law*

Drama Prize *Gachecheh Kenyua*

English as an Additional Language Prize *Fedya Kryuchkov*

English Prize *Ava Williams & Yoting Wang*

French: C Kirk-Greene Junior Reading Prize
Ava Williams & Axelle Turnock

French Prize *Delilah Medlycott*

Geography Prize *Fedya Kryuchkov*

German Prize *Ava Williams*

Greek Achievement Prize *Anjali Pal*

History: JL McIntosh Prize *Sunny Shen*

Latin Achievement Prize *Matthew Arnold*

Mathematics Prize *Alfie Crawford*

Music Prize *Jack Jordan*

Physical Education Prize *Thomas Llewellyn*

Physics Prize *Herbert Phillips*

Religious Studies Prize *Jessica Mattison*

Spanish Prize *Herbert Phillips*

Textiles Prize *Isabel Pennington Legh*

YEAR 10

Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance
in Year 10 *Hector Lawson*

Headmaster's Prize for All-round Contribution
in Year 10 *Barney Bathard-Smith & Megan Lillicrap*

Art Prize *Mia Liu*

Biology Prize *Jack Evans*

Chemistry Prize

Classical Civilisation Prize

Computing Prize

Dance Prize

Design and Technology Prize

Drama Prize

English as an Additional Language Prize

English Language Prize

English Literature Prize

French Prize

Geography Prize

German Prize

History Prize

Latin Prize

Mathematics Prize

Music Prize

Physical Education Prize

Physics Prize

Religious Studies Prize

Spanish Prize

Textiles Prize

Freddie Timlin

Viola Han

Viola Han

Nikol Saveleva

William Fellows

Isla Jourdain

Miyu Katsumata

Emma Valks

Freddie Timlin

Ellen Steiner

Felix McAndrew

Timothy Dodard

Freddie Timlin

Mark McKie

Harry Jordan

Viola Han

Harry Jordan

Alberta Cooke

Bingsen Wang

Daniel Caroe

Rosie Hoskinson

YEAR 11

Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance
in Year 11

Humreen Ellens

Headmaster's Prize for All-round Contribution
in Year 11

Emilia Dixon & Nancy Revill

Art: RG Dyer Junior Prize

Isaac Lee

Biology: Rex Colgate Junior Prize

Lily Michaelides

Chemistry: Tunstall Junior Prize

Natalie Tang

Classical Civilisation: Junior Prize

James Dunlop

Computing: NJ Hill Junior Project Prize

Ian Tam

Dance: Junior Prize

Jessica Moore

Design and Technology: NJ Hill Junior Prize

Natalie Tang

Design and Technology: The Joiners and Ceilers Prize

Daniel Clark

Drama: Junior Prize

Poppy Campion

English as an Additional Language: Junior Prize	<i>Xinyue Zhao</i>	Physical Education Prize	<i>Tiggy Tutt</i>
English: AL Margetson Junior Prize for Literature	<i>Isabella Doyle</i>	Physics: Alex Coates Prize	<i>Ella Horne</i>
English: Andrew Downes Junior Prize for Language	<i>Lily Michaelides</i>	Politics Prize	<i>Melanya Freeston</i>
French: Marshall Junior Prize	<i>Isabella Doyle</i>	Religious Studies Prize	<i>Reuben Booth</i>
Geography: Derek Mitchell Junior Prize	<i>Mildred Davidson-Houston</i>	Spanish Prize	<i>Christopher Mallmann Wettern</i>
German: GG Mohring Junior Prize	<i>Lily Michaelides</i>	Sport: PG and DG Gilbert Memorial Prize for Achievement in Boys Sport	<i>Samuel Bordass & Theo Summers</i>
Greek: RA Henderson Junior Prize	<i>James Dunlop</i>	Textiles Prize	<i>Sarah Grzimek</i>
History: JL Hortenstein Junior Prize	<i>Isabella Doyle</i>		
Latin: Junior Prize	<i>Lily Michaelides</i>		
Mathematics: Junior Prize	<i>Dean Zhang</i>		
Music: ED Merrit Piano Prize	<i>Dmitry Bykov</i>		
Music: Seymour Junior Singing Prize	<i>Ian Tam</i>		
Music: WN Williams Junior Prize	<i>Hanhan Zhu</i>		
Physical Education: Junior Prize	<i>Mildred Davidson-Houston</i>		
Physics: RG Dyer Junior Prize	<i>James Dunlop</i>		
Scripture: Rexie Adalian Junior Prize	<i>James Dunlop</i>		
Spanish: Junior Prize	<i>Jessica Moore</i>		
Sport: Langer Cup for Achievement in Water Sports	<i>Matthew Clark (Powell)</i>		
Sport: PG and DG Gilbert Memorial Prize for Achievement in Boys Sport	<i>Matthew Clark (Powell)</i>		
Textiles: NJ Hill Junior Prize	<i>Isaac Lee</i>		

LOWER SIXTH

Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance in Lower Sixth	<i>Xanthe Lawson</i>	Art: C Mackenzie Senior Prize	<i>Holly Mitchell</i>
Headmaster's Prize for All-round Contribution in Lower Sixth	<i>Ella Holgate & Oliver Rivett</i>	Art: EE Morris Painting Prize	<i>Toby Wheatley</i>
Art Prize	<i>Martha Lillicrap</i>	Art: Pottery Prize	<i>Olivia Reade</i>
Biology: EC Arnold Prize	<i>Kitty Hill</i>	Art: Sculpture Prize	<i>Polina Lipanova</i>
Business Prize	<i>Anya Rai</i>	Biology: C Mackenzie Senior Prize	<i>Zain Radwan</i>
Chemistry Prize	<i>Derren Lai</i>	Business: Senior Prize	<i>Toby Wheatley</i>
Classical Civilisation: Baynes Prize	<i>Oliver Beaton</i>	Chemistry: CS Smallman Senior Prize	<i>Marcus Skyrme</i>
Computing Prize	<i>Chloe Tse</i>	Classical Civilisation: Archbishop Gregg Senior Prize	<i>Isaac Ellwood</i>
Critical Reading: Newton Prize	<i>Melanya Freeston</i>	Computing Prize	<i>Maksym Matviievskiy</i>
Dance Prize	<i>Alice Osborne</i>	Dance: Senior Prize	<i>Lucia Ridley</i>
Design and Technology Prize	<i>Sienna Wright</i>	Design and Technology: Ellis Firkins Senior Prize	<i>Oliver Edmead</i>
Drama Prize	<i>Evangeline Ginbey</i>	Drama: Gubbins Senior Prize	<i>Leticia Nare</i>
Drama: Martin Steele Prize for Play Production	<i>Harry Prescott</i>	Drama: Steer Award for Acting	<i>Jack Evans</i>
Economics Prize	<i>Derren Lai</i>	Economics: Tenby Senior Prize	<i>Alfred Hunter</i>
English as an Additional Language Prize	<i>Varvara Kriuchkova</i>	English: Lord Hyndley Senior Prize	<i>Hannah Sewell</i>
English Prize	<i>Emma Birch</i>	French: LG Chater Senior Prize	<i>Struan Dunlop</i>
French Prize	<i>Esteban Boruel-Lopez</i>	Further Mathematics: HMS Marlborough Senior Prize	<i>Sam Huang</i>
Further Mathematics: Crowden Prize	<i>Chloe Tse</i>	Geography: Duncan Ferguson Senior Prize	<i>Evie Clayson</i>
Geography Prize	<i>Alice Osborne</i>	German: C Mackenzie Senior Prize	<i>Struan Dunlop</i>
German Prize	<i>Ariane Dodard</i>	History: RD Macklin Senior Prize	<i>Hannah Sewell</i>
Greek Prize	<i>Reuben Mace</i>	Latin: BM Oman Senior Prize	<i>Alice Younger</i>
Gurney Travel Scholarship	<i>Missy Richardson</i>	Mathematics: Elizabeth Hurst Senior Prize	<i>Michael Abourous</i>
History: HJ Bannatyne Prize	<i>Melanya Freeston</i>	Music: HV Waterfield Senior Prize	<i>Alice Younger</i>
Holman Award for Services to Chapel	<i>Varvara Kriuchkova</i>	Music: Organ Prize	<i>Benjamin Clark</i>
Latin Prize	<i>Melanya Freeston</i>	Music: RW Nicholson Instrumental Prize	<i>Alice Younger</i>
Mathematics: Green Prize	<i>Derren Lai</i>	Philosophy and Ethics: Rexie Adalian Senior Prize	<i>Isla Irvin</i>
Music Prize	<i>Ella Horne</i>	Photography: Senior Prize	<i>Isabella Pedley</i>
Music: Blackburn Senior Singing Scholarship	<i>Xanthe Lawson</i>	Physical Education: Senior Prize	<i>Poppy Thomas</i>
Music Technology Prize	<i>Michael Timmis</i>	Physics: BH Thomas Senior Prize	<i>Ivan Wong</i>
Philosophy and Ethics Prize	<i>Mary Keast-Butler</i>	Politics Senior Prize	<i>Clara Delaney</i>
Photography Prize	<i>Rosa Al-Khalifa</i>	Science: Professor Soddy Oxbridge Prize	<i>Tiger Ge</i>
		Spanish: Peter Copp Senior Prize	<i>Hannah Sewell</i>
		Sport: Buckland Award for 1st XV Rugby	<i>Jack Greig</i>
		Sport: Harris Prize for Contribution to Girls Sport	<i>Kirsty Williams & Eliza Jones</i>
		Sport: Maurice ER Sims Prize for Contribution to Boys Sport	<i>Jack Greig</i>
		Sport: PG and DG Gilbert Memorial Prize for Achievement in Girls Sport	<i>Rebecca Fisher & Kayla Ginger</i>
		Textiles: Nelson Helmsley Senior Prize	<i>Olivia Reade</i>