

We are delighted to introduce our new Sixth Form Student Team for 2019-2020



James Anstey (Head Boy), Olivia Ashall (Head Girl),
 Amber Biffin (Deputy Head Girl), Henry Buckley (Deputy Head Boy)
 Senior Prefects: Alex Goan
 Prefects: Kate Robinson, Abbie Williams, Alex Hicks and Molly Clare

The team is a prominent and important student body. They are appointed via an application and interview process, involving representatives in the spring of year 12 (shadowing year 13 students team until the end of year 12) and will carry out their roles until they leave in year 13.

What an amazing 'Sixth Form Bake Off' in aid of Macmillan



Overall Winner: Ryan Green Best Tasting Cake: Ryan Simmons Best Small Bite: Natalia Taneska

Thank you to all the students for getting in to the spirit of it and entering some outstanding cakes into our Sixth Form Bake Off on Friday 27th September. Also a huge thank you to the students and staff for their generous donations raising **£240!!** For Macmillan cancer.



We are delighted that Hawarden Sixth Form A Level Results place us in "Top 10% of schools and colleges in the UK!"

#Classof2019 #Congratulations #Alevelresults2019

All staff and Governors are incredibly proud of the outstanding results which represent the best in the school's history. Well over half of all grades achieved were either A*, A or B, the highest proportion ever. A further quarter of the results were grade C, representing a total of over 80% of all grades being the coveted A*-C higher passes. These tremendous results place the school firmly in the top 10% of school and colleges in the UK.



Notable Examination Success:

- Matthew Bate achieved an outstanding 2A*'s and 2A's to go onto read Architecture with a placement at the University of Bath
- Deputy Head Boy Sam Bidwell achieved 2A*'s, an A and B and will read Law at University of Cambridge
- Head Girl Lucy Harrison achieved 2A*'s, an A and B to successfully read Law at Bristol University
- Charlotte Mayers-Jones achieved 2A*'s and an A to go on to study Acting at the University of Chester
- Dylan Savage achieved Distinction* and 2A's to read Anatomical Sciences with Industrial Professional Experience at the University of Manchester
- Ben Barron achieved A*, 2 A's and B to go onto read Data Science at University of St Andrews in partnership with Price Waterhouse Coopers on a Graduate Apprenticeship
- Emma Evans achieved an A* and 2A's to study Vocal - Popular Music at the Royal Northern College of Music
- Ryan Salisbury achieved A* and 2A's to read Computer Science at Birmingham University
- Adam Salisbury achieved 3A's and will apply to read Medicine following a gap year
- Deputy Head Girl Anna Williams achieved an A*, A and B
- Head Boy Conall Hughes achieved an A*, A and B to read



History at University of Cambridge

- Ella Roberts achieved an A* and A to read Film, Photography and Media at University of Leeds
- Tommy Watkins achieved Distinction and 3A's to read Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology with Industrial Experience at the University of Manchester.

Year 12 Physics Trip to CERN Geneva 2019

What are the great questions of contemporary physics? What is the Higgs Boson and what does it tell us about the origins of the Universe? What is the role of CERN, its focus and objectives? What are the experiments conducted on its premises? Year 12 Physics students got to admire technological wonders 100 metres underground, drive cranes, play with miniature accelerators, operate robots, discover a multitude of technologies and immersed themselves in the enigmas of the Universe.



Success Assembly and AS Results 2019

Congratulations to all the students that were commended for their effort and achievement throughout their AS studies.

The outstanding AS examination results in August were testimony to the hard work and endeavour of all of the students in attaining such remarkable results. **Congratulations Year 13!**

Hawarden Community Council Bursaries

Commencing in 2007, and now in its thirtieth year, we remain extremely grateful to Hawarden Community Council who have again been able to offer bursaries to 8 of our Year 13 students who applied for university commencing in September 2019.

Successful students, Lucy Harrison (Head Girl), Anna Williams (Deputy Head Girl), Senior Prefect Zoe Watson, Emma Evans, Daniel Oare, Daniel Green and Caitlyn Bailey were awarded the bursaries in recognition of their involvement with school activities and the wider community.

The students are extremely grateful for the support offered by Hawarden Community Council and are looking forward to taking up their places at their chosen Universities this month.





Young Global Scholars Program: Yale 2019

By Olivia Ashall, Head Girl



A scholarship I was fortunate enough to receive from the Welsh Government allowed me to experience life as a Yale University student as a part of their ‘Yale Young Global Scholars’ summer school programme. The Seren Network informed me of this competitive and rewarding educational opportunity. I completed my application onto the ‘International Affairs and Globalisation’ Course in February, which involved writing three essays, and received the news that my application had been successful in April.

I flew from Manchester to New York, and spent the first night at Yale getting to know the other Seren students, my roommates, and my new home in Jonathan Edwards College (the best one). On the 17th June my student life began! I experienced seminars on topics such as different cultural views on human rights, and the global politics of collective memory. Lectures took place in Yale’s famous law school and were delivered by academic experts in their field. My favourite lectures were on the role of espionage in international relations, and the differences between slavery in the ‘old’ and ‘new’ world. Following each lecture was a 45 minute session entitled ‘Breakout’, in which I discussed my thoughts and opinions on its contents with a group of 7 students, all from different countries (hailing from places such as Mongolia, Australia, India, and Greece).



‘Capstone’ was a team research project where we had to create a 15 minute presentation on a global topic, which would be followed by a 15 minute Q&A session - this spanned across the full two weeks of the course. My group and I focussed on the political and cultural constraints MNCs face in foreign markets. It was interesting to hear the differences between myself and my teammates’ experiences with these companies, which we learned



stemmed from the reasons we were researching. The members of my group came from Lithuania, China, California, and Moldova. A simulation activity that took place over the first weekend allowed me to experience

political interrelations and negotiations between countries, with the theme focusing on the Rohingya Crisis.

My favourite part of the summer school was family time; this was when our family group, lead by our ‘parent’ (a physics professor at Yale), would do activities such as visiting the Beinecke Library and Yale University Art Gallery. Recreational time was also enjoyable as I was able to spend time with my friends, either exploring Yale’s campus or just relaxing in the common room (which was hidden underground and reached through tunnels from each suite block!). There were many other activities such as a games night, a talent show, and, on the last night, a party. After departing from Yale, myself and 3 friends, one being a fellow Seren student, spent the day in New York City, leaving the university’s campus at 6am as to cram as much into the day as possible.



It was an experience that I will cherish for the rest of my life. Although difficult at times, the academic aspects of Yale have provided me with a skillset that will be incredibly advantageous when starting university. Meeting and becoming friends with people from across the world who I would never have met otherwise was invaluable. My closest friends and I speak on our group chat everyday, and are meeting up in December, January, and April. I cannot thank the Welsh Government enough for providing me with this once in a lifetime opportunity.

Applications are now open for students currently in years 11 and 12, with a wide range of course options such as the one I participated in (now renamed ‘Solving Global Challenges’), ‘Biological and Biomedical Sciences’, ‘Politics, Law, and Economics’, ‘Applied Science and Engineering’, and ‘Literature, Philosophy, and Culture’. I wholeheartedly encourage everybody to apply for this once in a lifetime opportunity.





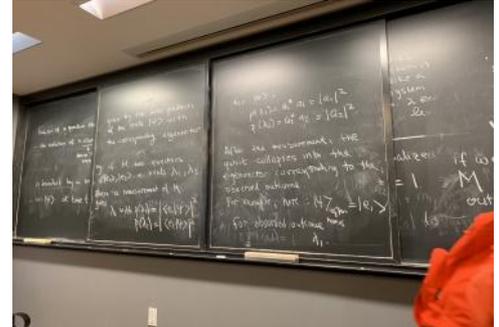
HARVARD Summer School

Harvard Summer School: 2019

By Abbie Williams, Prefect



I was lucky enough to go to Harvard university over the summer where I attended classes on quantum physics for two weeks. Over the weekend, there were no classes and I went on a trip to Rhode Island where I experienced American history. This experience was life changing and has not only boosted my confidence but has allowed me to make long lasting friendships with people from all over the world, including Illinois, New Hampshire, China, Turkey and Cyprus to name a few. I enjoyed going to Boston and MIT with my friends after finishing class. I am so grateful to have had this experience and I believe this has prepared me for university life in a way no other experience could. **Abbie Williams. Prefect**



SUTTON TRUST CARDIFF SUMMER SCHOOL

Deputy Head Girl Amber had an amazing week at the Cardiff Sutton Trust Summer School. Amber was able to take part in lectures, laboratory sessions, interview preparation and have a real taste of University life! [#Medicofthefuture](#) [#Medicalapplication2020](#)



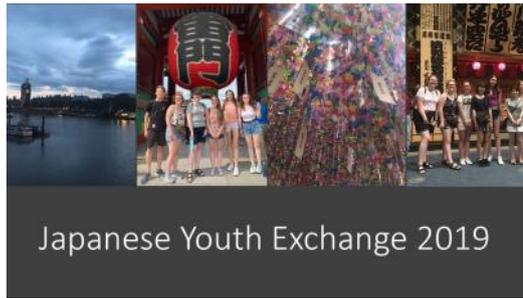
Mrs Rachael Southwell Director of Sixth Form Studies (Ext 230) Rachael.southwell@hawardenhigh.flintshire.sch.uk



FLINTSHIRE JAPANESE YOUTH EXCHANGE 2019

Senior prefect Alex Goan was successful in her application to be a part of the 2019 Flintshire Japanese Exchange. She had a fabulous experience and got to experience a range of cultural activities.

Alex would like to thank the Flintshire Japanese Youth Exchange for allowing her the opportunity to be a part of this amazing experience. For those who are interested in next year's exchange, there is a presentation, on **October 23rd 2019 at 6:30pm in County Hall in Mold**. Alternatively, please ask Alex or Mrs R Southwell for any further information about the exchange.



Japanese Youth Exchange 2019



Presentation Evening: 23rd October 2019



Doing a range of activities

Young Global Scholars Program: Yale 2019

Amber Biffin, Deputy Head Girl

Yale

Young Global Scholars Program
for Outstanding High School Students



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

Over the summer, I was lucky enough to have the opportunity to take part in the week long Rotary Young Leadership Award. Each day consisted of a series of challenges which offered really valuable experiences which I will remember for my entire life. As well as developing my leadership and communication skills, I made long lasting friendships and was placed far outside my comfort zone, despite my initial nervousness, as the week went on I built up a confidence to tackle all the activities thrown at me. RYLA really was an incredible adventure and one of the highlights of the week was the final raft race, during which I helped build and row a raft across a body of water. I am incredibly grateful for the experiences I had. **James Anstey, Head Boy**



Thank you to the Hawarden [@RotaryGBI](#) for continuing each year to provided such an excellent experience for our [#HHSixthform](#) students [#RYLA](#). James had such an incredible week, meeting lots of amazing people and learning skills for life.

Mrs Rachael Southwell Director Sixth Form Studies (Ext 230) Rachael.southwell@hawardenhigh.flintshire.sch.uk

SIXTH FORM INDUCTION SEPTEMBER 2019

It was fantastic to welcome so many new Year 12 students to our Sixth Form Induction event on the 4th September. It gave the students the opportunity to bond as a form and a year group. There were a number of activities through out the day including some team building sessions pictured here!

This year's Year 11 students will be invited to our **Sixth Form Information Evening on Thursday 30th January 2020 at 6pm** and **Induction Days on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd July 2020**.

If you would like further information about our Sixth Form please email Mrs R Southwell, Director of Sixth Form.

Rachael.southwell@hawardenhigh.flintshire.sch.uk or alternatively call 01244 526 400 ext 230



Want to find out more about the wide range of AS & A Level courses we have on offer?



SIXTH FORM INFORMATION EVENING
Thursday 30th January 2019, 6pm



STUDENT NUS cards are available to all Sixth Form students, applications can be made at www.nus.org.uk this will provide you with discounts at major retailers including gym memberships and car insurance companies. **Use a private email to register not your school email as it does not receive emails from external addresses.**

Did you know if you're aged 16 or over and in part or full time Further Education you could be eligible for student discounts?

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- Up to 50% off Microsoft Products
- 10% off in store at Maplin
- 25% off at Odeon
- 10% off Superdrug
- 10% off at ASOS
- Up to 40% off at Pizza Express
- 10% off at Boohoo
- 10% off at Forever 21
- 10% off at Jack Wills
- Free food at McDonalds



opendays.com
university and college open days

Year 13 Students you should now be finalising your university choices for your UCAS application. University open day calendar - Opendays.com allows you to see all university and college open days by month and plan any final visits. I recommend that you visit at least the 5 universities you are applying for before submitting your application.

USEFUL WEBSITES 2019/20 TO START YOU OFF!

- www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship
- www.getingofar.gov.uk
- www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/apprenticeships
- www.ucas.com/apprenticeships
- www.findapprenticeshipio.service.gov.uk
- www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/apprenticeships
- www.careerswales.com

LIBRARY ASSISTANTS - COMMUNITY HOURS

Mrs Young the librarian is looking for assistants to help her at break and lunchtimes. The hours will count towards your AWBQ Community Service. If anyone is willing to be giving of their time please can you see her in the library.

FULL TIME
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#WILL7EIRO

Congratulations to our Year 12 student Bella on being awarded **player of the match** following her Wales vs Macedonia Under 17 match in Denmark!

UCAS Personal statements should be well underway by now! Please ensure all your personal details and education are completed

INTERESTED IN STUDYING IN THE US?

Does the idea of studying in the US at one of the world’s most prestigious universities appeal to you? If so, why not apply to one of the upcoming US summer school programmes? We want to make sure you have all the information you need to be able to apply and be part of these exciting opportunities. So we will be providing information to students on the tutorial sessions on



SUTTON TRUST US PROGRAMME

The Sutton Trust US Programme is an 18-month programme for 150 talented Year 12 students from across the UK. It includes two residential trips in London, to help participants explore US study, and a week doing the programme’s summer school, during which students visit a number of universities in the US. If students decide that they’d like to apply for US universities alongside their UCAS options, Sutton Trust supports pupils and their families and schools with the application process, including further UK residential programmes.

Deadline for application: 14th January 2020

Cost: Free to attend

For more information visit: <https://us.suttontrust.com/>



WHY APPLY?

Both programmes aim to show students from the UK that US universities are most definitely not out of reach. It can be a daunting idea applying to well-known names as Harvard and Yale, but there’s no reason why students shouldn’t aim high.

Raphaelle Soffe, Hawarden’s Former Head Girl, benefited from the Sutton Trust programme and is now studying full-time in the US at Harvard, with a bursaries of up to £250,000 to support her studies and living costs.

Raphaelle has made a short video from Harvard about her experience and this can be viewed at:

[HTTPS://SERENNETWORK.BLOG.GOV.WALES/2017/12/22/INTERESTED-IN-STUDYING-IN-THE-US/](https://serennetwork.blog.gov.wales/2017/12/22/interested-in-studying-in-the-us/)



Raphaelle Soffe
Current Harvard Freshman, and Seren alumna

What are you waiting for?

Once in a-lifetime opportunity!

SUTTON TRUST COVER ALL COSTS!

The Sutton Trust will cover all programme costs, including residential events, accommodation and travel.

THE PROGRAMME INCLUDES:

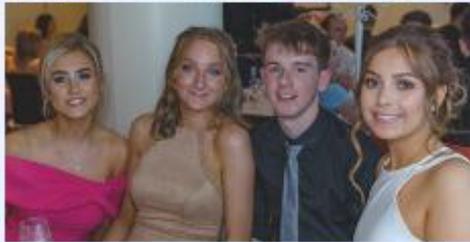
- A week-long visit to the States where students will get a taste of US higher education and culture
- UK based residential to receive comprehensive US admissions advice from experts
- Support from our dedicated team of knowledgeable advisers throughout the process of applying for admissions and financial aid at American universities
- In-depth admissions test preparation
- Guidance for parents and teachers
- A chance to meet other UK students interested in studying in the US

Please contact Mrs Southwell or
Ms A Coleman for further information

Year 13 Leaving Dinner 2019 at Abode, Chester



We enjoyed a lovely warm summer evening at Abode Chester to wish our year 13 students a fond farewell. We are so proud of all their achievements and know that they will go on to achieve even more in their apprenticeship placements, universities and future career paths.



LEAVERS' DINNER
 ABODE CHESTER
 24th May 2019



Year 13 leaving Dinner 2019 at Abode, Chester



Year 13 leaving Dinner 2019 at Abode, Chester

