



SOLIHULL

Results & Achievements 2013-2014

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS: 2013-2014

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

OXFORD

The following pupils won places at Oxford University:

George Diwakar	Theology and Religion	Worcester
Nicholas Hooper	Classics	Brasenose
Madeleine Lavery	Experimental Psychology	Worcester
Samuel McCumiskey	Engineering	Mansfield
Benjamin Piggin	Physics	St Hilda's
Alanna Wall	Medicine	Brasenose

CAMBRIDGE

The following pupils won places at Cambridge University:

Lucy Allen	Engineering (4 years)	Emmanuel
Thomas Griesbach	History	Selwyn
James Turpin	Modern and Medieval Languages	Trinity Hall

A LEVEL & GCSE RESULTS

84% of all A Level passes were achieved at grades A*/A and B.

54% of all A Level passes were achieved at grades A* and A.

38 students each claimed 3 A*/A grades.

91% of pupils were awarded places at their first or second choice universities.

At GCSE the School achieved 73% of all grades at A*/A. The average number of passes per pupil was 10 and 17 pupils achieved 8 A* grades or better:

Arjan Bains, Oliver Cottom, Isobel Fuller, Freya Harding, *Chloe Houghton, Mohammed Khimji, Camani Lall, Alex Lavery, Amy Lewis, Megan Lloyd, Bradley Monk, *Victoria Newbery, Helena Newbould, *Benjamim Northam, Edward Price, Zershaaneh Qureshi, William Talbot-Davies, *David Thomas, *Eveline Townend, Celine Simmons, Ethan Smallwood, Tanya Sebastian, Maeliss Villepontoux, Vini Vinod

(*New pupils to the school)

OTHER ACADEMIC AWARDS

Biology Olympiad

A number of pupils took part in the prestigious Biology Olympiad this year:

Alanna Wall	Silver Medal
Matthew Swales	Silver Medal
Nicholas Sharp	Commended
George Taylor	Commended
Rhianna Baldi	Bronze Medal
Shashank Chaganty	Bronze Medal

Biology Challenge Competition

Pupils entered the Biology challenge this year and obtained the following results:

30 Bronze Awards
23 Silver Awards
5 Gold Awards

British Physics Olympiad

Pupils entered the British Physics Olympiad this year and obtained the following results:

Lucy Allen	Bronze II
Alexander Browse	Commendation
Samuel McCumiskey	Commendation

Isaac Webber was invited to attend a Physics Summer School at Cambridge University having been one of the top students in a highly competitive national competition.

UK Junior Maths Challenge

133 pupils were awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze certificates. Sophia Borman (IIIrd Form) and Max Dormon (Shell Form) were highest scorers in the School and qualified for the Junior Maths Olympiad.

UK Intermediate Maths Challenge

62 pupils were awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze certificates. Zershaaneh Qureshi (UVIth Form) was the highest scorer in the School and qualified automatically for the Intermediate Maths Olympiad. Nine pupils scored high enough to qualify for either the Intermediate Maths Olympiad or European Kangaroo Competition.

Aleksander Zadunaiski (IVth Form) achieved a distinction in the Intermediate Maths Olympiad.

UK Senior Maths Challenge

65 pupils were awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze certificates. Lucy Allen (UVIth Form) was the top scorer in the School and qualified automatically for the British Maths Olympiad.

British Maths Olympiad

Isaac Webber (LVth Form) achieved an outstanding result in the British Maths Olympiad Round 2 placing him in the top 50 of all candidates in the UK.

National Mathematics Summer School 2013

David Clarke (LVth Form) has been invited back to attend this highly prestigious mathematics training camp for the ablest young mathematicians in the country, this time as a Supervisor.

UKMT Team Maths Challenge

The Junior Maths Team of Aleksander Zadunaiski, Chun Yin Henry Chiu, Max Dormon and Jack Hughes won the Regional Finals of the UKMT Team Maths Challenge. They qualified for the National Finals in London where they finished in the top 20 in the UK.

Year 10 Maths Competition

Two teams from the School came first and second in the Regional Finals of the Further Maths Support Programme Year 10 Maths Competition, held at The Sixth Form College, Solihull. The winning team was Lili Mistry, Maxine Perroni-Scharf, Daniel Sandler and Charlotte Sasse. The runner-ups team was Eve Colyer, Jade Gilmore, Eva Penhallurick and Harvey Wilson.

University of Southampton Maths Challenge

The following pupils were awarded prizes in a National Maths Competition organised by the University of Southampton:

Junior Competition	
Hafsa Ahmad (IIIrd Form)	Third Prize (3rd in UK)
Senior Competition	
Maxine Perroni-Scharf (LVth Form)	Third Prize (3rd in UK)
Chun Chiu (IVth Form)	Certificate of Distinction (top 10 in UK)
Charlotte Sasse (LVth Form)	Certificate of Distinction (top 10 in UK)

Debating Society

Senior Competitions

Birmingham University
Caroline Camm and George Diwakar were finalists.

Durham University
George Diwakar and Maddie Lavery were quarter finalists and ranked 10th in the UK.

Nottingham University
Abigail Moise and Angus Young won the Novice Final; Oliver Rooney, Thomas Williams, Charlotte Perry and Aine Maher were all Novice finalists.

Warwick University
Phoebe Harland, Joanna O'Sullivan, Oliver Rooney and Adam Wolwark were all Novice finalists.

Oxford
Jaipreet Deo and Alanna Wall represented Central England at the Oxford Finals Day.

U16
English Speaking Union - Public Speaking
Jessica Browne, Megan Lloyd and Lydia Stephens were England finalists.

International Competition for Young Debaters
Oliver Rooney and Thomas Williams won the Central England Round.

Young Enterprise

It has been another successful and rewarding year for our LV Young Enterprise Companies; Aspiration, ComfyCo and Phoenix. We attempted to generate some creative ideas, rather than the usual "Alan Sugar inspired" buying and selling, whilst all teams managed to make a good profit, most of this came from sourcing products and retailing.

The teams were ably assisted by their external volunteer Business Advisors; Paul Lucas, James Murray and Bryan Thomas. We are extremely grateful for their support. Special thanks must also go to Paul Lucas who has "retired" owing to relocation after ably advising successive YE teams for 8 years. His support will be missed.

At the Solihull area competition, Jessie Lloyd won an award for her performance as the MD of ComfyCo and all teams delivered a professional and confident presentation, while standing up to the harsh scrutiny of the judging panel.

22 pupils gained an OCR Level 2 certificate in Young Enterprise.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

The following pupils have completed their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards during the period 12 September 2013 to 3 September 2014:

Bronze Awards

Sami Baloch
Alistair Bevan
Alexander Bevins
Rebecca Bradbury
Hector Brooke
Adam Bruton
Thomas Carson
Oliver Cottom
Oliver Daniels
Shona Eaton
Alexandra Finnegan
Benjamin Fowles
Jacob Gilbert
Megan Gill
Olivia Gordon
Matthew Gransbury
Georgia Greenburgh
Conor Gregory
Laura Halford
Austin Hendersen
James Johnson
Ayman Kausar
Oliver King
Joseph Lankester
Alexander Lavery
Megan Lloyd
Dominic Martens
Lili Mistry
Charlie Morgan
Helena Newbould
Sophie O'Kelly
Scarlett O'Malley
Maxine Perroni-Sharf
Edward Price
Frederick Richmond
Lydia Roll
Charlotte Sasse
James Scagell
Tanya Sebastian
Isobel Serle
Hannah Shakeshaft
Emily Sheppard
Nadine Wilkinson
Harriet Woolley

Silver Awards

Jack Allcock
Jonathan Altham
Sam Ashby
Jenna Balfour
Jack Berry
Cameron Blake
Philip Blenkinsopp
Oliver Cottom
Lucy Davies
Poppy Eales
Bernadette Farnworth
Joseph Hadley
Jack Hines
James Johnson
Shivaali Karelia
Sarah Lloyd
Grace Lodge
Samuel Manek-Robinson
Aoife Mannion
Kevin McCormack
James Newman
Edward Price
Matthew Sargent
Megan Seickell
Harry Sharp
Ethan Smallwood
Charlotte Spence
Luca Walker
Megan Woolley

Gold Awards

Jonathan Allen
Charles Badham
Maria Barnes
James Berry
Katherine Bridges
Hannah Butler
Nicholas Clay
Eleanor Davies
Matthew Davis
Molly Eales
Grace Evans
Sally Farrant
Jonathan Foulkes
Jack Fowles
Thomas Griesbach
William Harland
Sanikar Karandikar
Faye Kent
Madeleine Lavery
Conor Maher
Harry Morgan
Tom Sheppard
Jacob Small
Alanna Wall

SPORT

Athletics

It was a particularly successful season with some notable individual and team victories. In the English Schools' Track and Field Cup following some excellent victories The Inter Boys and Junior Girls teams achieved qualified for the Midlands 'A' final, both gaining a top 8 place in the Midlands region. The Junior Boys teams were Midlands 'B' finalists.

Another successful season saw three athletes selected to represent the West Midlands in the English Schools Championships; Phoebe Harland in the U14 Girls' High Jump, George Armstrong in the U14 Boys' Shot Put and Adina Bailey U17 Girls' Hurdles and Shot Put. Adina has also been selected for the West Midlands Multi Event team in the English Schools Championships.

This year's Sports Day was won by Fetherston.

Canoeing

The double crew of Isaac Webber and Isabel Cawley completed the Devizes to Westminster Canoe race in April 2014 in a new school record time of 23 hours and 19 minutes.

Fencing

The season started well with fencers from Solihull School competing at three National level competitions and achieving several well-deserved gold, silver and bronze medals. Ben Priestley represented Great Britain in an International tournament in France and competed in the U18 British Youth Championships at the English Institute of Sport. Oscar Montgomery took second place (silver) at the British Youth Championships Regional Epee that allowed him to represent both Solihull School and the West Midlands at the National Championships which resulted in him being ranked 28th in the British Youth National Rankings.

Clay-Pigeon Shooting

The clay pigeon group has had another successful year. For the first time the School was invited to the Millfield Invitational Schools Competition; a competition renowned for its high standard. The team consisted of Christos Wild (C), Alexander Browse, James Sutton, Bartholomew Sands and Angus Young. This was the first competition of the academic year with an inexperienced team; out of the five shooters, four had never shot in a competition before and two had only been shooting since September (five weeks at the time of the competition). The boys shot exceptionally well given the cold weather and the flooded ground coupled with the inevitable nerves of a first competition. Eighteen teams entered and we were placed joint 8th which was a tremendous result beating experienced teams from Cheltenham and Wellington to name a couple.

Further competitions followed during the year seeing both boys and girls compete in the Butler Cup held at Hereford & Worcester Shooting ground.

Thanks must be passed to the Parents' Association for their purchase of a new over and under shotgun, sixteen new shooting vests and three replacement gun slippers.

Cricket

The 2014 season proved to be very successful.

The 1st XI were ranked Number 1 cricketing school in the country for most part of the season after a very successful campaign and saw the introduction of many under aged players who all performed well.

The U15A and the U13A teams were equally successful, both winning the County Cup final.

The U15A then went on to play Shrewsbury School in the Regional Cup final.

The U12A narrowly missed out on a trophy as they finished runners-up in the County Cup.

A special mention must go to Ethan Brookes, Oliver Haley and William Rigg who all scored centuries, whilst Charlie Cook, Oliver Haley, Fahd Janjua, Charles Rowe and Matthew Stansfield all took five wickets or more in an innings.

Congratulations to Oliver Haley for becoming an academy player at Edgbaston. Oliver made his professional debut for Warwickshire early in the season. Also to Ethan Brookes, Fahd Janjua, William Rigg, Fergus Roll and Matthew Smith who all represented the school at County and District level.

Golf

The Golf Squad's 'A' team became Regional winners of the ISGA Matchplay competition. At the National Finals in Carnoustie, they came a creditable 8th. In the Individuals competition held during the Finals, George Taylor (Captain) and James Scagell won Gold Medals for being in the top 20, whilst Stefan Gryla won a Silver medal for being in the top 40. Pupils also managed to get through to the HMC Foursome Regional finals; regrettably they lost to a strong Bedford team.

George Taylor, last year's Captain, takes up a Golf Scholarship this autumn in New York.

Hockey

It was a good season for Boys' Hockey at Solihull School, the most successful that the 1st XI have enjoyed for many years, with 24 matches won.

We reached the Quarter Final of the National Plate competition and finished runners-up in the Warwickshire League. We were also County Runner-up at U11 and U12; both teams did well at Midlands level, a losing semi-finalist and a runner-up respectively.

Congratulations must go to Fergus Roll and Samuel Day who were selected for Warwickshire U13; to Finley Blake, Adam Beaumont and Thomas Loughran who all played for Warwickshire U14; to Harry Peachey and Matthew Deakin for selection at Warwickshire U15 level; to Cameron Blake for Warwickshire U16 and JRPC (Junior Regional Performance Centre) Birmingham and to Edward Bowen for Staffordshire U18 and JRPC Birmingham.

The Girls' Hockey teams can reflect on some great success this season. Notable achievements were the U13 XI being crowned Midlands' County Tournament Champions following some difficult matches. The U12 VII were finalists in the Annual Solihull School Festival which now boasts over 15 local and independent schools. The U12 finished second in their league including 7-0 and 8-0 victories against local opposition.

Congratulations must go to Georgia Brown, Sofia Cusack, Georgina Dalby, Phoebe Harland, Hannah Higley and Clara Miles who all gained representative honours.

Girls' Hockey

The Bigside girls had their most successful season for a number of years, during which they achieved Midlands Zone finalist status. Laura Daghish made it onto the HiPac Training Programme and goes on to represent England in the School Games in September. The U15 and U14 hockey squad were League runners-up with Clara Miles, Georgia Brown and Hannah Higley all gaining representative honours for West Midlands. U13's were County Champions for the second consecutive season following an impressive team performance. U12's show promise and were League, County and Solihull School tournament runners-up. Special congratulations go to Clara Miles for her attendance at the JRPC (Junior Regional Performance Centre) sessions that took place over the summer.

Netball

In Netball, we were crowned West Midlands South Champions and Adina Bailey, Lydia Cross, Kiant Lightbourne, all had England trials this year. Our U15 squad won all but one league matches tournament after Easter, whilst the U14 team were County finalists; Annabelle Barker and Clara Miles both gaining representative honours. Clara was also invited to attend an U17 Regional Screening positional day which is a huge achievement considering she is only 14! Our U13 team showed superb improvement and were crowned Borough Champions in April. The U12 team were Borough tournament semi-finalists and show good promise for the future.

Results have improved at all age levels; the U13s squad were Borough tournament winners; the U14s squad were runners-up at both the Borough tournament and the Borough league. The U15s were runners-up at the Borough tournament.

The Senior squad earned 1st place at the Borough tournament, End of Season tournament and were runners-up in the West Midlands South League.

Congratulations must go to Lydia Cross who had a trial for the England U19 Development Squad and represented the U19 West Midlands Warriors NPL Squad (Netball Performance League).

Also congratulations go to Kiant Lightbourne for gaining a place in West Midlands U17 Academy.

At U16 Level Clara Miles was selected for the U16 County Academy and Annabelle Barker the U16 Academy.

West Midlands U19 NPL Squad
West Midlands U17 Academy
Warwickshire U16 County Academy
Warwickshire U16 Academy

Lydia Cross
Kiant Lightbourne
Clara Miles
Annabelle Barker

Rounders

The U15s were runners-up in the Borough Championships, losing out only on rounders scored. The U14s recorded great results against Bablake School, Coventry and Royal Grammar School, Worcester, whilst the U13s were successful against King's High School, Warwick and Bablake School, Coventry to name a few. The U12s won 8 out of 10 matches which is reflective of their hard work and efforts.

Well done to all involved.

Rugby

This season saw the 1st XV reach round 5 in the Natwest Cup, with the U15 reaching round 4. Despite the ever increasing strength of the fixture card, Solihull RFC are delighted to report that all ages were placed either first or second in the Midlands. The 1st XV also finished an incredible 5th in the Daily Mail National Merit Table, an excellent achievement by any school's standards. A special mention must be made of the 2nd XV who were positioned 1st in the National League Table at the end of the season.

Congratulations must go to Benjamin Fowles and Charlie Morgan for representing England U16 Saxons and England U16 Lions respectively; to Samuel Montieri who was selected for Italy U18's; Kieran Joyce who represented Ireland U18 Clubs and Jonathan Allen who played for the England U18 Independent Schools' Barbarians and also William Talbot-Davies for the Welsh U16 Exiles.

At Warwickshire County level congratulations must go to Sam Kandola at U15 and Liam McStay,

Benjamin Osborne and William Talbot-Davies at U16.

Skiing

Another great year for skiing at Solihull; our senior Girls' team became English Schools Dry Slope Champions and finished 2nd in the National competition. All four girls in the team were then picked to be part of the ESSKIA English Training Squad while Elisabeth Thomas and Helena Newbould also represented England in the ISF Race. Tom Lawrence was also picked for the ESSKIA Squad. In the Regional competitions Solihull continued to have much success at all levels from our squad of thirty five racers.

Swimming

The season has been one of many victories and triumphs. At Warwick School in September the U13, U15 and U18 girls and boys swam well and produced some very good performances finishing 2nd overall. Final gala of the year saw a senior girls' team down to the Olympic Park for the national relays. All of our swimmers swam superbly. A special mention goes to Lucy Gerrard, Abigail Humphreys, Hannah Quibell, Charlotte Rigg and Lydia Roll.

Abigail Humphreys won the Silver medal in the 15/16 years 800m Freestyle at the ASA National Youth Championships in July 2014 and was selected to represent Central England in the Sainsbury's School Games in September 2014, resulting in a Bronze medal in the 15/16 years 400m Individual Medley. Abigail was also selected for the British Swimming Talent Programme and has been invited to attend a medley training camp at Loughborough University with the GB Swimming team at the end of September 2014.

Tennis

Boys' Tennis had a successful season where the U15 team won all but one of their league matches, showing great enthusiasm and energy. The team was ably captained by Conor Gregory and were unlucky not to reach the knock out stages, coming 2nd in their league.

The U13 team were one step better, managing to remain undefeated, placing them top of the league and leading them to progress to the knock out stages, which commence later this month. The U13s were captained excellently by Alexander Griffiths, who gave his all in every match.

Charley Gregory won the Nike Junior National Tennis Championships for U12 boys held in Bournemouth recently. He fought back in the final to win 1-6 6-3 6-2; he finishes the year as the number one ranked U12 boy in Great Britain.

New Third Form pupils Lily Evans, Annabelle Hill, Libby Shepherd, and Harriet Toogood did very well in the U13 team, winning five out of their six matches. They each won some singles and doubles matches and played some lovely tennis; this shows great promise for even greater success over the coming years.

The U15 team have had a tougher season but have continued to work hard and enjoy their tennis, demonstrating excellent development in a variety of areas of their game. Alice Lodge has been a reliable and enthusiastic Captain throughout the season.

SPORTS TOURS

U15 Rugby

U15 Rugby – The squad visited the South West of France again and enjoyed an incredibly successful tour. The rugby proved to be a true test and the Solihull players learnt a great deal in a fabulous rugby environment.

Senior Rugby

The 27 strong squad toured South Africa for 2 weeks, playing two 15 – a – side matches and two 7 – a – side tournaments. The rugby was extremely physical and unfortunately the touring party lost both full sided matches but did manage to win the 7's. The cultural diversity was clearly seen by all of the boys and it was amusing to see the Big 5 in Kruger National Park. It was a thoroughly enjoyable tour involving all of the main sites of South Africa.

Senior Girls Hockey/Netball

On the last day of the summer term, 19 girls and 3 staff departed Heathrow to start the long journey to Johannesburg, South Africa. Upon arrival, we began a very busy tour schedule that incorporated both cultural and sporting activities, allowing us to make memories that will certainly last a life time. Highlights included the Mabula Game Safari, where we travelled in search of the 'Big Five' and were lucky enough to catch sight of a pack of lions, five elephants, a rhino, three hippos, crocodiles, zebras, giraffes and many more.

Other activities included a visit to one of the biggest townships in South Africa, Langa. This was both heart warming and enriching and opened our eyes to the conditions that some people endure. We were also lucky enough to enjoy a delicious meal in one of the township restaurants, an array of traditional foods were on offer as well as live music incorporating steel drums and voice. From a sporting perspective, we had a mixed bag of results that reflected the high standard of sport played by our host schools.

In hockey, we played four very tough matches, including one against national representatives St Andrews School. Our highlight was a 6-0 win during the last match that was played. In Netball, all girls' school St Mary's proved to be a tough test in our opening match but we improved over the coming matches; drawing with Roedean School and beating an athletic Langa team. All players improved during the four games and look forward to transferring these skills into Bigside squads in the 2014-2015 season. Good luck must go to Harriet Whitfield and Ellie Talbot-Davies who played their final matches for the school whilst on tour. Both pupils and staff enjoyed every second of our touring experience that far surpassed even the highest of expectations.

Tour Awards:

Players' Player: Laura Daghish
Manager's Player: Kianté Lightbourne
Most Improved Player: Amelia Woolley

DRAMA

In the Christmas Term, Lower School pupils presented two productions: the first was a dramatised version of the fairy story 'The Shoemaker and the Elves' by Gadsan Morris in which Liam Mingo confidently led an enthusiastic cast of Thirds and Shells in the title role. LV pupil Eve Colyer helped direct the piece and UV pupil Gianni Baldi choreographed the dancing. The second production was a modern comedy 'The Ten O'clock Angel' by Graham Walker, which followed the exploits of a young angel and a young devil who are returned to Earth to prove themselves. There was some fine singing, creative dancing and many fine performances, including those from Frederico Collini as Gameshow Host, Nause Gleamworld and Cerys Stansfield as TV Presenter, Dorothy Blissington-Marchbanks.

Sixth Formers Esther Domingo and Charlotte Taylor helped direct and Asha Abram and Gianni Baldi provided the choreography. The plays were directed by Mrs Wilde and the music was provided by Mr Cureton on the piano. Dr Jukes managed the production with an enthusiastic team of pupils providing backstage support.

For three nights towards the end of the term, the Senior School presented Shakespeare's 'Macbeth'. Directed by Mrs Fair, assisted by Mrs Johnson and managed by Dr Jukes, the production boasted many excellent performances. Callum Fisher and Charlotte Beesley were compelling as Macbeth and Lady Macbeth. Harry Sharpe gave us a sympathetic Banquo and George Gamlin was a suitably comic Porter. Harry Morgan was a dignified King Duncan, Áine Maher and Oscar Haynes were excellent as the Macduffs. Lauren Buchan, Esther Domingo and Charlotte Taylor led a suitably sinister chorus of witches. A further twenty-eight pupils provided effective supporting roles and assisted with backstage, technicals and make-up. Mrs S Thomas and Miss S Gummery created some effective make up and special effects. Esther Domingo provided the choreography and fights were arranged by Raph Aldis with Matthew Tyler acting as Fight Captain. Theresa Morgan was an excellent Stage Manager with help from Joseph Hadley, James Jervis, Thomas Sheppard and Joseph Sherman. Sound and projection were operated by Samuel McCumiskey.

In the Easter term, Mrs Wilde, with Mr Perrins as Musical Director, directed Monty Python's 'Spamalot'. Over 100 pupils were involved in the production, either on stage, in the orchestra pit or working backstage. Pupils performed for five nights and the show was a sell out. Callum Fisher and Oscar Haynes were a great double act as King Arthur and Patsy. Esther Domingo was a wonderful Lady of the Lake and Christopher Bevins, Shashank Chaganty, Thomas Griesbach and Benjamin Newman were splendid as King Arthur's Knights. Singing and dancing were both excellent; the cast delivered musical numbers of varying styles with great confidence, including the well-known 'Look on the Bright Side of Life'. The production boasted a very strong chorus of Knights and Laker Girls who attacked their roles with enthusiasm. There wasn't a weak link in the show with Harry Morgan triumphing as Herbert's Father and Liam Deane showing great versatility playing five roles including the Principal Minstrel, Dennis' Mother and Susan Boyle! David Herriotts and Áine Maher got the show off to a great start as the Guards arguing about the velocity of African and European swallows and Angus Young and Thomas Carson gave delightful performances as Concord and Prince Herbert. Thomas Beasley, Taimoor Rashid and Oliver White made the most of their 'bit' parts, extracting every bit of comedy they could from them. Matthew Tyler was a magnificent Tim the Enchanter; James Green and Louis Roach were hysterical as English Guard and French Taunter as was Harry Sharpe who was brilliant as Not Dead Fred and the The Black Knight.

The production was a real team effort with contributions from several areas of the school community. Excellent dance routines were choreographed by former pupil Samantha Mason. Mrs Hurst rose superbly to the challenge of costuming the show, with help from Mrs Butler, Mrs Johnson, Ms Thomas and Mrs Watling. Mrs Thomas, along with Mrs Marks and Mrs Watling once again providing excellent make-up designs. The set constructed by Mr Leach and painted by Mr Hunton, Mrs Pettitt and Mrs Adkins was absolutely superb and Mrs Perrins created some excellent properties. The production was managed by Dr Jukes with Stage Management by Joseph Hadley, Mr Hadley and Freya Harding. Sound was managed by Theresa Morgan and operated by Samuel McCumiskey. As usual the orchestra led by Mr Perrins was superb and Father Andrew Hutchinson was perfect as the voice of God.

Lower School Drama Club has continued to be popular with many Lower School pupils regularly attending on Tuesday lunchtime. Sixth Formers Esther Domingo and Charlotte Taylor ran the club, leading theatre games sessions and encouraging the younger pupils to experiment with improvisation. Frederico Collini also helped organise and ran sessions which helped pupils expand their imaginations and create interesting pieces of theatre.

MUSIC

Musical Highlights

Solihull Sings! Outreach programme feature St. Alphege, Chapel Fields, Mapledene and St. Augustine's primary schools, as well as Solihull Junior School.

Dominic Martens, Madeleine Lavery, Charlotte Sasse and Benny Wu, performed in a lunchtime concert at Bournville Friends' Meeting House.

Saxophony performed for Christmas shoppers in John Lewis, Touchwood Shopping Centre, Solihull.

Choral and Orchestral Concert: a performance of Karl Jenkins' 'The Armed Man' with the Senior Choir, Symphony Orchestra, parents and friends of the School. Also featuring soloists: Christopher Bevins, Shashank Chaganty, Benjamin Davidson, Olivia Harris, Hannah Shakeshaft, Muskan Shrivastava and Katie Williams. Solo cellist Dominic Martens in Haydn's Cello Concerto with the Symphony Orchestra; performances by the Trumpet Ensemble and the String Ensemble.

Saint Cecilia and Summer Concerts: performances by instrumental and vocal ensembles, with soloists Ellie Ajao, Max Dormon, Madeleine Lavery, Dominic Martens, Charlotte Sasse, Abigail Smith. Solo flautist Elisabeth Thomas in Mozart's G Major Flute Concerto with the Symphony orchestra. Premieres of Olivia Harris' composition 'Chant de la Riviere (with David Clarke, Dominic Martens, Hannah Shakeshaft, Muskan Shrivastava and Simon Phillips) and Philip Blenkinsop's composition 'Ritmo Espagnol' (with Jonathon Altham, Philip Blenkinsop, Bill Hudd, Simon Philips and James Sutton). Piano duet with Megan Lloyd and Maxine Perroni-Scharf.

Informal Concerts: opportunities for all pupils to perform. First Informal Concert visit to new Marie Curie Hospice and visit by pupil singers to Sunrise Residential Home. Keyboard Concert held in Chapel and Music School. Chamber Music Concert held in February.

Recitals by: Charlotte Beesley, Dominic Martens, Madeleine Lavery, Abigail Smith, Elisabeth Thomas, James Turpin and Alanna Wall.

Chapel Choir: sang for most Sundays throughout the year and at the two carol services in December. Performed Faure's 'Requiem' as part of the second OS Former Chorister's Day. Chapel Choir boys and girls sang with Gary Barlow on two evenings at the LG arena.

Chamber Choir: sang at the High Sheriff of Warwickshire's Judicial Service in Saint Mary's Church, Warwick; commissioned and performed premiere of Ben Parry's 'Solihull Service'; Evensong in Saint Paul's Cathedral; BBC Radio 4 Daily Service.

Girls' Choir: BBC Radio 4 daily Service; Evensong in Lichfield Cathedral.

Masterclasses led by Elizabeth Burgess (piano), Andrea Calladine (voice), Malcolm Garrett (percussion), Jeremy Sassoon (jazz improvisation), Carolyn Sparey-Fox (strings).

Musical Achievements

Ellie Ajao and Georgina Dalby performed solos in the LG arena with Gary Barlow. Madeleine Lavery performed with the Birmingham Choral Union as Soprano Soloist in June.

Madeleine Lavery awarded a Choral Scholarship to Worcester College, Oxford. Abigail Moise has been awarded a place in the CBSO Youth Choir. Katie Williams has been awarded a place in the CBSO Youth Choir.

Solihull Music Festival

John Abram: Commendations for Viola and Piano classes.
Anna Higgins: 1st Place: Vocal Solo age 11-13;
3rd place: Vocal Solo (Show Songs) age 11-13.
Annabelle Barker: 2nd Place: Vocal Solo (Show Songs) age 11-13.
Madeleine Lavery: 1st Place: Vocal Solo age 14-17;
2nd place: Young Singer Open Recital Class.
Christopher Bevins: 1st Place: Vocal Solo (Show Songs) age 14-17;
2nd Place in Vocal Solo age 14-17.
Fleur Street: 3rd Place: Vocal Solo age 11-13.
Joseph Wright: 2nd Place: Vocal Solo (Show Songs) age 14-17;
3rd Place: Vocal Solo age 14-17.
Katie Williams: 3rd Place: Vocal Solo (Show Songs) age 14-17.

Lichfield Music Festival

Hannah Shakeshaft: 2nd Place: Opera Class age 16-18.
Ellie Ajao: 1st Place: Group Strings Open Class;
2nd Place: Open Strings Class;
2nd Place: Open Strings Class age 13-15.
Charlotte Sasse: 1st Place: Group Strings Open Class;
1st Place: Concerto Open Class;
2nd Place: Strings Open Class

Northfield Music Festival

Annabelle Barker & Anna Higgins (IVth) 1st Place: Vocal Duet up to 14 years
Eleanor Gooderidge (J4) 1st Place: Favourite Song 10 and 11 years
Isaac Wright (Shell) 1st Place: Folk Song 10-13 years
Anna Higgins (IVth) 1st Place: Favourite Song 12-14 years
Joseph Wright (LVth) 1st Place: Favourite Song 15-17 years
Benjamin Davidson (LVth) 1st Place: Folk Song 14-17 years
Katie Williams (LVth) 1st Place: Musical Theatre 15-17 years
Christopher Bevins (UVth) 1st Place: Male Voice Open Class

Leamington Spa Music Festival

Ellie Ajao (IVth) 1st place: Violin Class Grade 7/8;
2nd Place: Viola Class age 12 and over
Winner of the Barbara Thoday Cup for the most promising viola player.

Charlotte Sasse (LVth) 1st Place: Violin Class age 15-18;
1st Place: Viola Class age 12 and over;
2nd Place: String Recital Class

Winner of the Lena Wood Trophy for best string player.

Music Examination Results

The following pupils achieved either merit or distinction in their grade examinations this year:

Asha Abram (theory)
Bryony Ainsworth (piano)
Ellie Ajao (piano)
Jonathon Altham (saxophone)
George Armstrong (drum kit)
Raoul Bagga (cello)
Cameron Baines (drum kit)
Cayla Balfour (piano)
Benedict Barker (singing)
Jacques Barker (singing)
Eleanor Berrow (singing)
Christopher Bevins (singing)
Finlay Blake (drum kit)
Jessica Blissitt (singing)
Jessica Boake (singing)
Tabitha Botterill (singing)
Rebecca Bradbury (theory)
Eloise Burchell (singing)
Caroline Camm (saxophone)
Tom Carter (drum kit)
Tom Carter (jazz saxophone)
Shashank Chaganty (singing)
David Clarke (clarinet)
Simon Clarke (drum kit)
Christopher Coates (oboe)
Oliver Cottom (guitar)
Eleanor Couch (saxophone)
Ben Crocker (violin)
Hannah Currie (drum kit)
William Daghish (saxophone)
Georgina Dalby (clarinet)
George Daly (saxophone)
Benjamin Davidson (theory)
Amelia Diccico (saxophone)
Amelia Diccico (theory)
Max Dormon (organ)
Max Dormon (piano)
Rui Yi Du (theory)
Alexandra Duckworth (singing)
Lucy Fennell (piano)
Callum Fisher (theory)
Nicola Frankland (singing)
Caroline Gerard (singing)
Georgina-May Hart (flute)
David Hass (cornet)
Oscar Haynes (saxophone)
Anna Higgins (theory)
Daniel Hofton (drum kit)
Gwynneth Horbury (guitar)
Gwynneth Horbury (piano)
Imogen Houghton (flute)
Beatrix Huissoon (singing)
Beatrix Huissoon (theory)
Scarlett Humphrey (jazz saxophone)
Robert Jones (jazz saxophone)
Isabelle Kent (theory)
Madeleine Koral (clarinet)
Mark Lawrence (saxophone)
Mark Lawrence (theory)
Liam Mingo (drum kit)
Lily Mistry (theory)
Abigail Moise (singing)
Alyssa Morrison (singing)
Helena Newbould (jazz saxophone)
Sophie O'Kelly (singing)
Amy Parry (violin)
William Pearse (saxophone)
Maxine Perroni-Scharf (singing)
Mack Perry (violin)
Katie Phillips (clarinet)
Joseph Price (trumpet)
Gemma Radburn-Todd (flute)
Anika Rao (singing)
Christopher Rooney (drum kit)
Aviva Sandler (piano)
Alexander Sasse (flute)
Alexander Sasse (saxophone)
Charlotte Sasse (singing)
Hannah Shakeshaft (singing)
Muskan Shrivastava (singing)
Ethan Smallwood (jazz saxophone)
Abigail Smith (flute)
Abigail Smith (piano)
Thomas Smith (guitar)
James Spence (flute)
Alicia Spencer (violin)
Cerys Stansfield (saxophone)
George Sunderland (piano)
James Sutton (bass guitar)
Ned Tennet (singing)
Elisabeth Thomas (flute)
Elisabeth Thomas (singing)
William Thompson (bassoon)
Rebecca Toher (singing)
Zebedee Trett (drum kit)
Ewan Waddell (singing)
Alanna Wall (singing)
Katherine Williams (singing)
Harriet Woolley (piano)
Joseph Wright (singing)
Benny Wu (piano)
Angus Young (piano)

GCSE RESULTS SUMMER 2014

	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	U
Art & Design: Fine Art	9	16	2	0	0	0	0	0
Classical Civilisation	4	2	5	2	0	0	0	0
D&T: Resistant Materials	3	4	3	2	0	0	0	0
Drama	0	7	3	3	0	0	0	0
English Language (iGCSE)	38	50	17	0	0	0	0	0
English Literature (iGCSE)	52	37	15	1	0	0	0	0
French (iGCSE)	23	12	6	8	10	1	0	0
Geography	14	15	18	5	3	0	0	0
German (iGCSE)	6	4	6	4	0	0	0	0
History	40	22	12	5	0	0	0	0
ICT (iGCSE)	13	9	2	0	0	0	0	0
Latin Language	17	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Latin Literature	8	6	5	0	0	0	0	1
Mathematics	37	37	28	3	0	0	0	0
Music	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
Physical Education	1	2	4	2	0	0	0	0
Religious Studies	18	12	3	0	0	1	0	0
Biology	37	38	18	10	2	0	0	0
Chemistry	37	36	22	7	3	0	0	0
Physics	31	41	20	12	1	0	0	0
Spanish (iGCSE)	18	13	9	6	0	0	0	0

TOTALS 2014 **410** **367** **204** **70** **19** **2** **0** **1**

2013	423	397	170	57	16	2	0	0
2012	320	429	224	80	21	9	0	0
2011	468	393	262	71	8	0	1	0
2010	366	330	223	92	10	1	0	0
2009	285	293	234	118	13	5	0	0
2008	313	343	278	74	17	0	1	0

- 99.9% Pass Rate
- 73 % of all grades at A*/A
- 20 pupils achieved 8 A* grades or better
- Average number of passes per pupil - 10

A LEVEL RESULTS SUMMER 2014

	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	Entries
Art (Fine Art)	5	5	2	0	0	0	0	12
Art (Photography)	5	8	6	0	0	0	0	19
Biology	7	7	6	4	2	0	0	26
Business Studies	4	9	16	4	0	1	0	34
Chemistry	2	13	5	0	0	0	0	20
Classical Civilisation	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	6
Design & Technology	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
Drama & Theatre Studies	0	0	2	6	1	0	0	9
Economics	5	11	10	2	0	0	0	28
English Literature	8	3	11	5	0	0	0	27
French	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	6
Geography	0	4	3	3	1	0	0	11
German	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Government & Politics	0	2	3	0	0	1	0	6
History	5	9	7	1	0	0	0	22
Latin	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mathematics	17	18	12	7	2	0	0	56
Further Mathematics	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	10
Polish	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Music	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Physical Education	2	2	4	4	1	0	0	13
Physics	6	5	8	6	3	0	0	28
Psychology	20	6	4	1	3	0	0	34
Religious Studies	2	3	5	5	1	0	0	16
Spanish	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3

Totals **100** **112** **119** **49** **15** **2** **0** **397**

- 100% Pass Rate.
- 84 % of all grades at A*/B (2013 -84%, 2012 – 85%, 2011 -83%, 2010 – 85%)
- 54% of all grades at A*/A
- 38 pupils achieved 3 A*/A or better.
- 91% of the Upper Sixth went to their chosen University.

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