



Kate Mason  
Principal

The start of an academic year is always an exciting time as we welcome our new students to the College. They have made a flying start to the year and I was delighted to see so many of them taking part in our Summer Schools to make that transition from Primary to Secondary that bit easier. It sounds as though they had a lot of fun and we appreciate the many positive letters from parents whose children attended.

At the other end of the College, the Year 10 students have impressed with their organisation and positivity as they took up a wide range of opportunities as part of their Work Experience week. It was lovely to hear all their stories as well as from many of the employers who commented on what we see from the students everyday within College. It is really special to hear that from people working within our community.

We celebrated in style at the end of the Year, not just in recognition of our Exam results, but also with those many students who have contributed so much in their everyday experience at the College. We look forward to another successful year and have a range of exciting projects planned which we look forward to sharing with you in future editions of the College Chronicles.

# Celebrating Achievement



Kate Mason, Principal, presenting an award



Thom Hunt, guest speaker

At the end of a very busy academic year, students and parents were invited to join KEVICC staff to celebrate the many student achievements across all aspects of College life.

The beautiful setting of the Dartington Estate served as a fitting backdrop to reward students for their contributions and involvement in another successful year for the College. This ranged from those who had excelled academically to those who had shown Leadership potential and had made significant contributions to the College community. Over 80 students were invited to attend to receive recognition for their work and had the opportunity to meet Thom Hunt, our key note speaker, who has recently featured on Channel 4's *Three Hungry Boys*. His message to students was to

follow their dreams, whatever they might be and to always to try and enjoy what they do. Music was provided by Kennicott Sixth Form students Rebecca Cleave and Emma McElhinney. The awards for the evening were sculptured by local artist Isabel Coulton from oak and featured a specially made marble from the House of Marbles. Many thanks go to the Parents Association who sponsored the awards and to the parents who joined us to make such a special evening. Congratulations to all our winners.



Liora Lasselle's favourite class at KEVICC was GCSE textiles. Liora went on to study Creative Textiles and Art and Design A Levels at Exeter College, where she experimented with found objects and recycled industrial materials, mixing them with fine fabrics to create unique textiles and theatrical garments. Liora then moved on to fashion at Central Saint Martins College of Arts and Design, London, graduating in 2012 with a First Class Honours Degree in Fashion Design with Print. After graduating, Liora won the Esthetica/Veolia resource competition with Central Saint Martins College.

# What a Way to Spend the Summer!



Wonderful Arts & Sports Weeks were held at KEVICC this summer, with children from Years 5, 6 & 7 taking part in activities that were both fun and informative, and which also taught them new skills.

They made puppets based on the dramatic ones made for the stage play of Michael Morpurgo's book *War Horse* - which were then used as part of a drama workshop. They had a day of music using African drumming, percussion instruments and singing - a lot was learned about rhythm that day! A day of dance inspired by

science covered topics such as energy; properties; matter and colour to great effect and the week ended with a day of mask-making. Children starting at KEVICC this Autumn were able to meet and work with some of our students who started last year, so the new Year 7s should see some friendly faces around our campus.



Sports Week students experienced a variety of activities, having fun through sport, making new friends and getting to know the school and PE staff. Students participated in Tennis, Rock Climbing, Badminton, Cycling and Team building challenges and also worked with local clubs Totnes Archers and Dartmouth Golf Club. On the final day, students were put into our KEVICC house groups and held an Olympic Competition... warm up relays,



an Olympics quiz and an array of challenges to be the winning team of the day. The victorious team were given gold, silver and bronze medals to continue the theme of the Olympics. If any child in Years 5, 6 and 7 didn't come this summer, then they missed a treat. The dates for Summer 2014 are:  
**Arts Week**  
Monday 28 July - Friday 1 August  
**Sports Week**  
Tuesday 26 August - Friday 29 August

# Work Experience 2012-2013

Year 10 have enjoyed another successful work experience week with Employers praising our students on their initiative and willingness to learn. Some of our students were offered summer jobs which is evidence of how much they impressed.

Students had a range of interesting placements this year with some choosing to travel to London, Brighton and Newbury, finding out about Art Centres, Media and Leisure Industries. The majority of our students found placements in our local area in Veterinary Practices, Film Studios, Healthcare and Childcare settings, Schools, Newspapers Construction, Architecture, Health and Safety - to name but a few.

We are well aware of the time and dedication that employers put into this scheme, giving our students an insight into their particular business. Students are often nervous before starting their work experience. However, on their return, students said how much they enjoyed their placement, even if the work involved may not be what they want to do for a career. We hope the

businesses got as much out of it as our students did too. Here's what some of our employers said:

"This student had a very pleasant and helpful attitude with people visiting the library. She was quick to learn and was always willing to apply herself to tasks."

"This young lady was an absolute delight to have in the shop. She was always punctual and came in with a smile on her face. She is very bright and quick to learn. I was so impressed with her that I've offered her a part-time job."

"A brilliant enthusiastic young man, he was a pleasure to have with us."

We look forward to similar success with our current Year 10s in the summer term



# School's Sport Success



## Devon Schools Athletics Combined Events and Race Walking Championships 2013

KEVICC student Lily Goddard was selected as part of a team of 4 students representing the South West of England at this event. As a team they finished in fourth place with Lily securing second place in the 800m and 200m and achieving two personal bests in shot putt and high jump.

KEVICC has financially supported Lily for this weekend

and continue to be proud of her achievements in Athletics.

Lily has completed the season in fine style after breaking two College records in our annual sports day in the 300m and the Hurdles. One of these records had stood for 21 years so this was an impressive performance

# International Schools Award



For the last three years King Edward VI Community College has held the International Schools Award (ISA) and we are delighted that we have been accredited for another three years (2013-2016)

King Edward VI Community College has worked with local, regional, national and international partners to deliver its international work and has plans for a further suite of exciting projects over the coming year.

These projects include foreign exchange trips; work with Oxfam, the Co-operative and primary partners looking at smallscale farmers feeding the world; a River Basins project with current Year 8 students looking at the Dart and at river basins in India, Kenya and California; an Aboriginal Art project forging links with a Lands School in Western Australia and a repeat of last year's Fairtrade conference working with a Peruvian fairtrade grower and primary partners.

A diverse range of activities reaching all year groups is planned for the year ahead and we will continue to develop this important area of our work which impacts on learning over a wide range of curriculum areas.

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