KEVICC Community News

Summer 2021

Empowering Our Students Here & Beyond

Through the **Mary Lidstone Charitable Trust**, our Kennicott Sixth Form are able to apply for and receive financial support for Higher and Further Education courses once they leave us. The Trust was set up following a generous legacy from Roy Lidstone and is dedicated to the memory of his wife, Mary.

Family circumstances meant neither Roy nor Mary were able to pursue their education beyond the age of sixteen; it was always their wish that their legacy should be used to enable young people to follow their academic dreams. Grants are awarded up to a maximum level of **£5,000** per year of a supported course: i.e. a three year degree course could see support of up to a maximum **£15,000** awarded over the three years.

Laurie Cox University of Bristol



My name is Laurie. I was a student at Kennicott up until the Summer of 2020. My time at Kennicott was a momentous experience. The Sixth Form has a great atmosphere and a top group of unstoppable teachers. I thank all my teachers for supporting me so warmly and, despite it being an unsettled year due to Covid, I had

a great time and came out with great grades (**A* Product Design, B English Lit, D* Music BTEC**).

As an applicant to the Mary Lidstone Trust I am ecstatic to have been granted it! Their financial support will be invaluable for my years ahead at **The University of Bristol**. The Mary Lidstone Trust is a truly fantastic and unique opportunity for any KEVICC student, I would highly recommend applying for it if you are at Kennicott or if you are planning to attend.

Jasmine Leete Portsmouth University

My experience at Kennicott Sixth Form has been nothing but positive. The staff at Kennicott have been supportive throughout the entirety of my time at the school. Even throughout the first and second lockdown teachers were very supportive and made the transition from school to distanced learning as easy as possible, also



upon returning to school after both lockdowns. I would like to highlight Amy Withers as someone who had a major impact on my entire experience at Kennicott. She made it possible for me to manage my disability (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) alongside my schoolwork in a way that I am extremely grateful for.

From the amazing support I received at Kennicott, I am going to be studying **International Development with Languages**, at the **University of Portsmouth**, starting in September 2021. This course entails multiple disciplines, including economics, politics, human geography and international relations. The language that I will be choosing for my course is Mandarin Chinese, I believe this will be very useful in the future, especially in the context of my other modules.

The Mary Lidstone Trust has given me an amazing gift, of not only the funds to help me through university, but also the acknowledgement of my hard work and enthusiasm for education. The funds will mean I can afford the basic needs of university life, for example accommodation and meals, but will also aid in my 3rd year studying in China, which I know will be a very important learning experience for me in many ways. I am very thankful to the whole of KEVICC, Kennicott and the Mary Lidstone Trust for supporting me during secondary school and beyond.

Our Wonderful Parents Association

KEVICC has a wonderful school community and the PA exists to support the school and its staff and students.

It was wonderful to get such positive feedback from our recent PA survey, we had over 200 responses. The survey captured the enthusiasm for the work of the PA and helps us direct our fundraising efforts.

Following the survey endorsement of **Better Breaktimes** we are in discussion with the school about playground equipment, shelters and benches. New footballs, netballs and other playground equipment should be arriving soon. We all know how important recreation and play are for our young people after such a challenging time, and we are very happy the PA can support this.

We have now singed up for **EasyFundraising**. This is a free platform that can make a small donation to us when you shop online – at no cost to you. As we are all shopping more online these days it is a very simple, no hassle way to earn funds. Please see https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ keviccpa/ to sign up. Many thanks in advance for your support!

Lastly, look out for us at the Performing Arts summer events. We will be running a bar (volunteers at the ready!) to raise funds and would love to meet new parents and carers. Come and say hello!

Summer Events at KEVICC

KEVICC's Annual Dance Showcase returns! We are really excited to put on these shows and to share the joy of dance with you all once again! The seating will be booked using the social distancing tools on the Ticket Source website. The event will also be live streamed on our YouTube channel. Tuesday 6th July 2021 https://youtu.be/yVTVsicM5ok Wednesday 7th July 2021 https://youtu.be/S3Yw_Vhdhgo

Our Summer Music Festival 'Duality' is on 14 July 2021. Tickets are available now from http://ticketsource.co.uk/kevicc.





Our **'Summer Open'** exhibition runs from **Monday 7 June** in the Ariel Centre, showcasing incredible GCSE, A Level and BTEC student work from 2020-21.





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