

# Holyrood Creative Arts Summer Newsletter 2023

















And so we come to the end of another highly creative academic year at Holyrood and what a year it has been! Our aim is to offer the very best arts education and experience to all our students and this year we have be able to give our students access to live theatre, museums, musical events and moments that are such an integral part of school life and growing up. Raising the credibility and integrity of the arts is always central to what we do and this term in particular we have been focusing on careers in the industry and roles that our students can aspire to; there are so many jobs within this sector and it is important that our students know that they have every potential to work in the arts industry. It has been fantastic to see that our work and partnerships within the community has continued to grow and we enjoyed working with local film projects as well as our trust and feeder schools this half term. As I write this, the term is not over yet and I am looking forward to our second Creative Arts residential trip to London to visit the renowned V&A Museum as well as 'letting it all go' at Frozen The Musical – we might even sneak in a little shopping too!

I would personally like to thank all of the Creative Arts Team for their constant hard work and sheer passion for their subjects, alongside our parents, carers and students for their continued support of the arts at Holyrood. Have a fantastic and safe summer!

Mrs Jenny Lowe - Head of Creative Arts

## Goodbye and Good Luck!

We would like to send our congratulations to all of our Year 11 and 6<sup>th</sup> Form Creative Arts students on the completion of their exams. We wish you all the very best of luck in your futures and look forward to continuing to work with lots of you next year too!







## Partnerships, guest speakers and examinations!

Music producer, promotor and ex student Matt Gage came back to 'old ground' to speak to our KS4 students about careers in the music industry. BTEC Performing Arts students and staff work with Neroche Primary School on their Year 6 Production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. Year 5 Manor Court students and Year 10 students work together on the theme of 'community' as part of our HA programme. Holyrood hosted their first LAMDA examinations for local young people including 8 of our very own students taking Grades 4-8 in acting. Holyrood Creative Arts Staff have had a wonderful time holding creative transition workshops with many of our primary feeder schools.















# Goodbye to the Great Ms Jolliffe!

After over 30 years of educating younger people, Holyrood bids a fond farewell to our 'Pip' who retires at the end of the year. She has been an incredible asset, mentor and friend to both students and staff alike and will be missed dearly. We would like to thank her for all her energy, drive, humour and utter expertise in the profession and on behalf of the team, and the numerous students she has educated over the years, we wish her lots of love and fun on her next chapter! x



# **Summer Term Award Winners**

Drama
Oscar Winners



Jude Blackmore Wynn Year 8
Superb work ethic



Flora Godrey Year 11
Outstanding commitment



Martha Godfrey Year 11
Outstanding commitment

# Art Turner Prize Winners



Ruby Rich Year 9
Commitment to Art



Immy Morris Year 10 Hard working and skilled



Jack Harris Year 12 Commitment to Art

# Music Grammy Winners



Emma Thatcher Year 13
Contribution to Music



Amira Higgs Year 7
Excellent contribution



Lauren Miller Year 11 Excellent work ethic

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#### **The Creative Arts Team**

Mrs J Lowe - Head of Creative Arts & Drama Leader

Ms Jolliffe – Drama Teacher

Mrs Shaun – Drama Teacher

Mr Massey – Drama Teacher

Mrs Munro-Head of Art

Mrs Wilson – Art Teacher

Mrs Taylor – Art Teacher

Mrs Ward – Art Teacher

Mrs Spiller - Head of Music

Mrs Seib – Music Teacher

Mrs Davies: Music Teacher

Mr Tozer – Music Teacher Mr Shortland – Music Teacher

Mrs Cunningham – Creative Arts Technician

Mr Hayden & Mr Lees – Creative Arts Governors Honorary Team – Mrs Wilsher, Mr Barge, Mrs Davison &

Mrs Brownsey



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We are always looking for the next creative opportunity so if you have any comments, feedback or suggestions regarding the arts at Holyrood please do contact Mrs Lowe via <a href="mailto:lowe@holyrood.uat.ac">lowe@holyrood.uat.ac</a>