

Pontypridd High School



Awards Ceremony

October 2020

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Chairperson's Award

Winner



Head Boy

Liam Hooper

Winner



Head Girl

Billie-Mai Cox



Headteacher's Award

Winner



Best A Level Results

Isobelle Preston

PE Raybould Award

Winner



Best GCSE Results

Hannah Okon



International Honours

Basketball



Seren Richards

U13 Girls Welsh Basketball

Ice-Skating



Mia Thorne

Welsh Ice-Skating

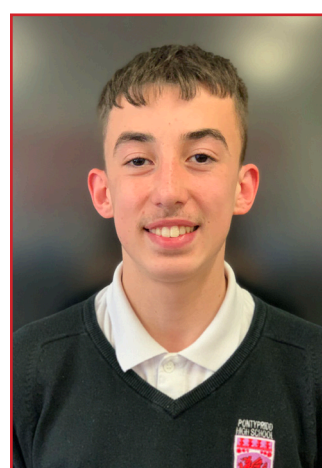
Rugby League



Kian Bishop

East Wales Rugby League

Basketball



Jack Davies

U15 Wales Basketball



International Honours

Taekwondo



Amelia Ellis

Wales / GB Taekwondo

100% Attendance 2019-2020

Years 7 & 8

**Sophie Burton, Courtney Burton, Katie Hunt, Lewis Jordan,
Kate Leeworthy, Aaron Lewis and Naiya Partington.**

Years 9, 10 & 11

**Jack Hanies, Hannah Okon,
Audi Silsuktipapsorn and Deena Wattleby**



Citizenship Award

Winner



Mia Thorne

In October 2019, Mia Thorne was chosen amongst thousands of children to attend the Well Child Awards which celebrates children who have defied incredible health odds to succeed in life. This was a momentous evening as Mia was awarded 'Inspirational Young Person 11-14'. Due to her great achievements Mia has even mixed with royalty and been lucky enough to meet Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. She has been interviewed for Hello Magazine and also appeared on Channel 5 news. We know this is not the last time we will be seeing Mia's name in the news.

Mia Thorne is a remarkable young lady who has a form of cerebral palsy that affects the right side of her body, Doctors told her parents that she would never be able to walk or talk. But Mia has proved them all wrong! Instead, she dedicates her life to helping others and has been organising charity events since the age of 7. As an ambassador for children's charities Caudwell Children and Dreams Come True, she has raised more than £100,000 with black-tie balls, park races, cake sales, handmade bracelets and an ice-skating challenge.

At Pontypridd High School, we are incredibly proud of Mia's achievements so far and have thoroughly enjoyed watching her progress throughout years 7 and 8. As she moves into Year 9 we are very excited to see what Mia will achieve next. She is an extremely humble pupil, who does all of these great challenges alongside her academic commitments. Mia is determined to make a difference, and receiving these national awards are proof that she already is. We wish her all the luck for her next fundraising activity and know that she has a bright future ahead of her.



Endeavour Award

Winner



Audi Silsuktipapson

The endeavour award is awarded to pupils who try hard to achieve their goals. Audi joined Pontypridd High School at the end of Year 7 after moving into the area from Thailand. Starting a new school for any pupil can be a daunting experience but in Audi's case he had an additional concern that he could not speak any English.

Audi was instantly taken under the wing of his peers as they were determined to help him through each school day. Teachers and teaching assistants relied on their iphones to use google translate to ensure that Audi was able to learn and understand what was required of him. The first few terms at Pontypridd High were hard for Audi but there was never a day where he didn't have the biggest smile on his face.

Audi has worked hard to overcome his communication difficulties and he is described by staff as being extremely polite and thankful for all support.

Audi is fully deserving of this award and one of the most impressive young man we have ever met. He has overcome a number of barriers since moving here and is a real inspiration to his peers. Audi has shown that anything is possible through hard work and dedication, and should be very proud of himself. We welcome Audi to the 6th Form where I am sure his success will continue.



Endeavour Award

Winner



Alec Haslam

The endeavour award is awarded to pupils who try hard to achieve their goals. Alec Haslam is one of the most kind, funny and hardworking pupils we have ever had the pleasure of teaching. Despite his ongoing difficulties, Alec has persevered and worked extremely hard every day at Pontypridd High. All work set was always completed to a very high standard. Perhaps more importantly, Alec completed every task in each lesson with a smile on his face and endless enthusiasm.

Alec has developed into a fine young man and has not allowed the physical challenges he faces hinder his progression in school. Alec always sees the positive in any situation, which today more than ever is a fantastic quality. Every pupil at Pontypridd High could learn a lesson in positivity from you Alec. Well done!

Alec, your hard work, brave spirit and dedication make you an outstanding candidate for this award. We wish you every success for the future.



Transition Award Year 7

Winner



Logan Woodford
Abercynon

Winner



Kali Thomas
Cefn

Winner



Josh Williams
Craig yr Hesg

Winner



Tomas Dackins
Coedylan



Transition Award Year 7

Winner



Dan Bowler
Cilfynydd

Winner



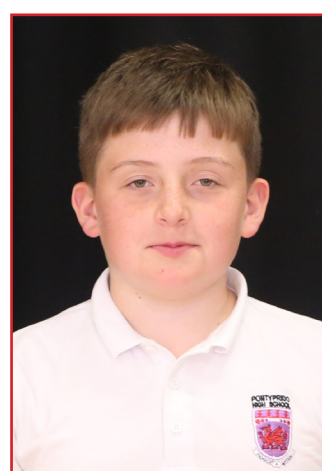
Evelyn Cartlidge
Coedpenmaen

Winner



Sadie Howe
Hafod

Winner



Harry Hughes
Maesycod



Transition Award Year 7

Winner



Sophie Burton
Trehopcyn

Winner



Dylan Beamund
Trerobart



Year 8 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Georgia Parker Brown

Luke Pritchard

Tilly Barker

Charlotte Hooper

Callum Sharp

Phillip Ololdi

Winner



Tilly Barker

Year 9 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Courtney Burton

Cally Morgan

Nathan Edwards

Alisha Hernandez

Ffion Rowe

Winner



Cally Morgan



Year 10 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Jack Davies
Oliver Lloyd-Thomas
Carys Lewis
Jae Neck
Omaima Khalid

Winner



Carys Lewis

Year 11 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Audi Silsuktipapsom
Hannah Okon
Bradley Scott
Deena Wattley

Winner



Hannah Okon



Year 12 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Anna Jones
Nia Davies
Roman Ahearn
Kane Tutsell

Winner



Anna Jones

Year 13 Pupil of the Year

Nominees

Isobelle Preston
Billie Mai Cox
Aled Moore
Liam Hooper
Michael Bowen

Winner



Michael Bowen



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Art

Nominees

Year 7	Tomos Jones
Year 8	Remy Tobin
Year 9	Alisha Hernandez
Year 10	Sasha Bond
Year 11	Julia Truszevska
Year 12	Shannon Morgan
Year 13	Will Mansell

Winner



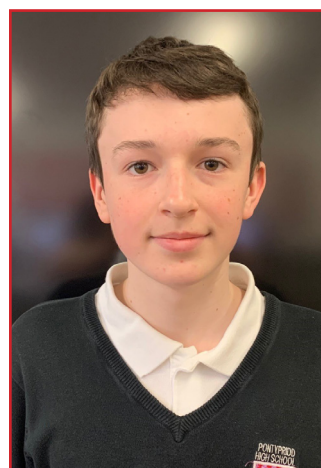
Julia Truszevska

Construction

Nominees

Year 9	Jack Davies
Year 10	Jay Morgan
Year 11	Daniel Williams

Winner



Jay Morgan



Cymraeg

Nominees

Year 7	Tomos Jones
Year 8	Sarah-Beth Phillips
Year 9	Courtney Burton
Year 10	Sasha Bond
Year 11	Ella Furmage
Year 12	Roman Ahearn
Year 13	Natalia Wolosiewicz

Winner



Roman Ahearn

Discover More

Nominees

Year 7	Cole Saunders
Year 7	Grace Morgan
Year 7	Tomos Jones
Year 8	Mason Riley
Year 8	Grace Hibbert
Year 8	Joshua Lewis

Winner



Tomos Jones



Engineering

Nominees

Year 8	Remy Tobin
Year 9	Jack Davies
Year 10	Omaima Khalid
Year 11	Harry Davies
Year 12	Reagan Fear

Winner



Harry Davies

English

Nominees

Year 7	Tomos Jones
Year 8	Sarah-Beth Phillips
Year 9	Alisha Hernandez
Year 10	Sasha Bond
Year 11	Audi Silsuktipapsorn
Year 12	Anna Jones
Year 13	Aled Moore

Winner



Audi Silsuktipapson



Geography

Nominees

Year 9	Florence Morgan Wood
Year 10	Thea Davies
Year 11	Harry Davies
Year 12	Ffion Jones
Year 13	Aled Moore

Winner



Aled Moore

Health, Social and Child Care

Nominees

Year 9	Mia Howells
Year 10	Molly Davies
Year 11	Jessica Haven-Brown
Year 12	Lucie Evans
Year 13	Caitlin Gibbs

Winner



Molly Davies



History

Nominees

Year 9	Aron Lewis
Year 10	Lauren Williams
Year 11	Hannah Okon

Winner



Hannah Okon

Hospitality & Catering

Nominees

Year 7	Roxy Richards
Year 8	Remy Tobin
Year 9	Libby Davies
Year 10	Adam Harries
Year 11	Ellis Holvey
Year 12	Lewis Bowden

Winner



Libby Davies



Humanities

Nominees

Year 7 Marci Phillips

Year 8 Remy Tobin

Winner



Remy Tobin

ICT

Nominees

Year 7 Tomas Dackins

Year 8 Sarah-Beth Phillip

Year 9 Gareth Llewellyn

Year 10 Jack Davies

Year 11 Audi Silsuktipapsorn

Year 12 Roman Ahearn

Year 13 Asif Iqbal

Winner



Tomas Dackins



Maths

Nominees

Year 7	Josh Warren
Year 8	Charlotte Hooper
Year 9	Alisha Hernandez
Year 10	Jacob Jones
Year 11	Hannah Okon
Year 12	Anna Jones
Year 13	Tom Penikett

Winner



Hannah Okon

Religious Studies

Nominees

Year 9	Alexia Bindczus
Year 10	Thea Davies

Winner



Alexia Bindczus

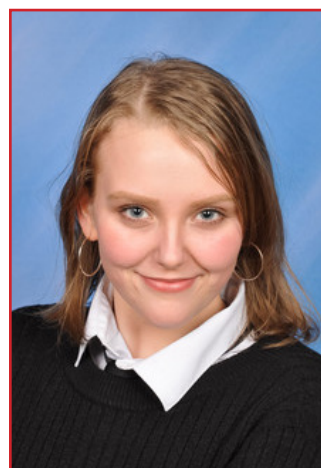


Sociology

Nominees

Year 12	Jesse John
Year 13	Isobelle Preston

Winner



Isobelle Preston

Performing Arts

Nominees

Year 7	Arwen Thomas
Year 8	Aisha Malik
Year 9	Sophie Harris
Year 10	Hudson Jones

Winner



Sophie Harris



Physical Education

Nominees

Year 7	Shaunagh James
Year 7	Cole Saunders
Year 8	Corey Foggarty
Year 9	Millie Davies
Year 10	Jack Davies
Year 11	Georgia Pritchard
Year 12	Olivia Murray

Winner



Georgia Pritchard

Product Design

Nominees

Year 7	Shaunagh James
Year 8	Grace Hubbard
Year 9	Jay Bowler
Year 10	Jospeh Griffiths
Year 11	Cameron Hall
Year 13	Seren Hopkins

Winner



Joseph Griffiths



Science

Nominees

Year 7	Jack Thomas
Year 8	Georgia Parker Brown
Year 9	Courtney Burton
Year 10	Omaima Khalid
Year 11	Jenna Coley
Year 12	Nia Davies
Year 13	Liam Hooper

Winner



Jenna Coley

Welsh Baccalaureate

Nominees

Year 13	Jodie Matthews
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Winner



Jodie Matthews



Learning Support

Nominees

Year 7	Dewi Price
Year 8	Megan Barry Smith
Year 9	Iwan Bedgood
Year 10	Kecia Lee Samuel
Year 11	Emma Couldridge

Winner



Kecia Lee Samuel

YEPS

Winner



Poppy Pritchard
(Year 7)

Winner



Jack Deane
(Year 8)



YEPS Continued

Winner



Caitlin Scanlon
(Year 9)

Winner



Jermaine Thorne
(Year 10)

Winner



Nadia Cummings
(Year 11)

Winner



Ethan Sainsbury
(Year 12)



Additional Awards

AJ Mapps Sixth Form

Joel Jones

Mike Dance Innovation

Roman Ahearn

Ester Elkan Art Award

Seren Hopkins

Welsh Award

Megan Groves

Rochester Cup for PE

Morgan Fear

EA (Ted) Lewis Award

Abby Watkins



Additional Awards Continued

FJK Chemistry

Liam Hooper

Ivor and Monica Humphreys Award for Performance

Nathaniel Partington

The Coedylan Plate

Gymnastics

Millie Davies, Caitlin Smith, Marci Phillips,

Chloe Hayward and Evelyn Cartlidge

Work Experience Award

Daniel Williams

Year 13 Student Destinations

BISHOP Chloe - University of Gloucestershire; **BOWEN Michael** - University of Wales Trinity Saint David; **BRADWICK Sophie** – University of South Wales; **COX Billie-Mai** – University of Saint Andrews; **DAVIES Maia** – Cardiff University; **DAVIS Ellie** - Coleg Y Cymoedd; **EVANS Ciaran** - Loughborough University; **FUGE Lauren** - University of the West of England; **GROVES Megan** – Cardiff University; **HALLING William** – University of East London; **HARVEY Chelsea** – University of South Wales; **HOLVEY Abigail** - University of South Wales; **HOOPER Liam** – University of St Andrews; **HOPKINS Seren** - Cardiff Metropolitan University; **HUGHES Joshua** – University of South Wales; **HUGHES Nadia** – University of South Wales; **IQBAL Asif** – Bath Spa University; **JAMES Seren** – Cardiff University; **KENDRICK Abigail Medi** – Cardiff University; **LLOYD Katie** – Employment; **MANSELL William** – University of Gloucestershire; **MATTHEWS Chalis** – Cardiff University; **MOORE Aled** – Cardiff University; **NICHOLAS Leah** – University of South Wales; **PENIKETT Tom** – Cardiff University; **PRESTON Isobelle** – University College London; **PRICE Ellie** - Manchester Metropolitan University; **SUTHAKARAN Thushana** - Staffordshire University; **THOMAS William** – Swansea University; **THORNE Megan** – Cardiff Metropolitan University; **WATKINS Abby** – University of South Wales; **WATKINS Cara** – Cardiff University; **WILLIAMS Keira** – University of South Wales; **WILLIAMS Emilie** - Royal Holloway, University of London; **WOLOSIEWICZ Natalia** – Swansea University.



Rhys Morgan Outstanding Achievement Award

Winner



Seren Hopkins

One of the recipients of this year's Rhys Morgan Outstanding Achievement Award is Seren Hopkins. Seren was a model pupil who put 100% effort into everything she did – whether it was her fantastic attendance or superb academic achievements. However, her creativity in Product Design and Art was where Seren truly excelled.

Seren's creative ability was rewarded numerous times. She was recognised for her outstanding GCSE Product Design work of the Hobbit inspired hedgehog shelter design at the 2018 WJEC Innovation Awards at the Senedd. This saw her secure a finals place at the Big Bang Fair, at the NEC, Birmingham. Seren competed against other students from across the United Kingdom. A fantastic experience, Seren came Runner-Up in the Intermediate Engineering Category.

In 2019 Seren designed and made a 'Auto-inflatable car roof-tent' as part of her AS Product Design project. She created a 1/3 scale prototype for a pneumatically powered, automatic, inflatable car roof tent. Once again Seren qualified for the national finals at the Big Bang Fair, and once again she wowed the judges with her project. She was awarded 'The Young Scientific Instrument Maker Award' which recognises a project that demonstrates the practical application of a scientific and engineering methodology to a real-world problem. Part of her prize was an opportunity to become a SIM apprentice, where she will be linked to an experienced senior mentor who will support and mentor her throughout her university studies.

Unfortunately, lockdown meant that Seren did not get the opportunity to showcase her amazing A Level project. Seren demonstrated great foresight with her pre-Covid concept of a HEPA filter scarf design. It is this forward-thinking aptitude that demonstrates her amazing creativity.

Seren is an inspiring young lady with a clear ambition and vision to succeed in the field of design. With her passion and innate desire to succeed, Seren will thrive in this field. Seren, we wish you every success as you embark on your new journey and the exciting future that awaits you.



Rhys Morgan Outstanding Achievement Award

Winner



Hannah Okon

Our second recipient of this year's Rhys Morgan Outstanding Achievement Award is Hannah Okon. Hannah is a truly deserving winner of this award, as through challenging and uncertain times she has shown determination and drive to succeed.

The past school year has been like one like no other, and all of us have had to adapt our lives and the way we work in the most challenging of circumstances. Hannah took all of this in her stride and thrived on the independent learning she had to undertake. This resulted in an exceptional set of GCSE results this summer, comprising of 8 A* and 3 A grades.

Staff have described her as a quietly assertive pupil who thrives on a challenge and loves to learn. She always gives maximum effort and is a joy to teach. Hannah is an inspiring young woman with a clear ambition and vision to succeed. With her passion and desire to be the best she can, Hannah will thrive in our 6th Form. We know she will continually strive to make the most of the opportunities available to her. We wish you every success Hannah and thank you for being the excellent role model you have proved to be.



Teacher of the Year Award

Winner



Mr Jordan Jones

Support Staff Member of the Year Award

Winner



Mrs Kate Rees



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