

POWELL HOUSE

SUMMER 2019



THE VIEW FROM THE HSM'S STUDY:

The academic year has flown by with the usual vast range of activity, community, fun and success. Although for most this term is dominated by revision and exams—and it is great to report a record number of house eRC effort prizes—there has been plenty of healthy extracurricular breadth. This summer Powell boys enjoyed plenty of sport, including inter-house victories in golf, senior tennis, the 4x100m relay and both senior and junior tug o'war competitions. There is plenty of creativity, too. The boys have contributed magnificently to College music, both the Bandstand and the Summer concerts; they have acted in a range of drama productions and produced some excellent art. As so many of these photos suggest: great friendships have been forged; there have been plenty of smiles, and many highlights.

We wish all the leavers the very best for the future. We look forward to welcoming next year's new boys. Emily, Nessie, Peter and I wish you all a super summer.

REMINDERS FOR NEXT TERM:

Morning Registration: please can parents make sure that the boys have arrived by 8:20am each morning ahead of registration in the 8:25am house meeting. This is a key part of the day and allows me to pass on important messages. If running late or unable to come in for any reason, please can you let me know (by email or phone) by the same time so that I can alert teachers.

Haircuts: Boys' hair should be kept at a respectably short length, off the collar and not completely covering the ears; excessively short or long hair is not acceptable. It should not be noticeably dyed. If it pulls down at the front over the eyes, it is probably too long; and nothing shorter than a grade three, please.

Socks: Should be dark and sober, please, not white or brightly coloured.

Games Kit: please make sure that boys bring in their own and wear their own kit. Please make sure that it is clearly named. "Borrowing" others' is rather tedious. Boys should take damp, muddy kit home with them at the end of each day.

Our Values: Together and individually we pursue excellence, kindness, courtesy, integrity and participation. We look after those who look after us. Supportive + Sociable = Successful. Fun + Friendly = Fantastic.

YEAR 9— The Powell Year 9 have enjoyed a good first year of College life. Good friendships have been established, and they have been able to celebrate a healthy degree of success across the board.

There has been some top academic effort from Charlie Carpenter, Francesco Bongiovanni, Jules Bass Gualbert and Elliot Wilson throughout the year. Elliot has particularly impressed, both with his skill as a linguist and by achieving some very strong end of year exam grades. Max Giddins was awarded the overall Y9 physics prize. Congratulations to Charlie, Ollie Farrant and Dominic Forward for securing end of year class effort awards.

There is plenty of creative flair too. Max has the makings of an excellent artist, as does Elliot who also reached the final of the photography competition. Ben Young has excelled in music and drama. He was one of the Young Vocalists of the Year and helped Powell to victory in the house a cappella competition. He performed powerfully in the Y9 Drama Scholars' devised piece, *Grenfell*, and (out of school) in a week-long production of *Dr Doolittle* with a leading role. He very much enjoyed singing *Uptown Funk* on the Bandstand and from the Long Room Balcony in the last week of term, where he was accompanied on saxophone by Jules Bass Gualbert and the College Jazz Band. Jules also plays violin with the College orchestra and sings with the Chapel Choir. Francesco Bongiovanni plays an excellent *Bohemian Rhapsody* on the house piano. Learning both classical and electric, Henry Buck is a promising guitarist. The whole year group acted together with the girls of Watt House in "*Its definitely not Timmy*", with Ollie Caradas in the title role.

In sport, Noah James has shone with the U14As cricket team. A highly talented batsman and bowler, Noah helped the U14As to County Cup victory at Hove. Max has also been a regular for the U14As, bowling thunderbolts, and Elliot was promoted from the Bs to join them for the final match of the season. Henry has discovered some cricketing ability this term, especially with the bat for the U14Bs. Ollie Farrant, Jules and Charlie also played key roles in this successful team. Ben starred in the house swimming victory. George Lowery is a fine young golfer. He accompanied Jules and Max for this year's house golf competition. Ollie Farrant is a super-skilful footballer who has also enjoyed lots of tennis on the Powell courts. He, Charlie and Elliot are all keen mountain bikers. Ollie Caradas and Ben made a dynamic pair in the junior house tennis competition. Ollie is an outstanding rugby scrum half, and has been selected for the Saracens U15 development squad. He, Elliot, Charlie and Jules have been fully part of pre-season rugby training and hope for an excellent season next year. Dominic is fast. He performed really well in the 100m on College Sport's Day, as did Max (hurdles and high jump), Charlie (1500m and triple jump), Elliot (200m and long jump), Henry (shot), George (javelin), and Ollie C (300m). Ben gave his all in the 800m; Jules found a talent for the discus. Highlight of the day was the boys pulling together, both literally and metaphorically, to win the junior tug o' war.





YEAR 10— This is a super talented, fun-loving, energetic year group. There has been plenty of success in sport, music, drama and academic studies.

In sport, Tom Pedley has excelled at everything. He has been selected by the county in both cricket and hockey, enjoying plenty of success also with College teams. Tom has also made the most of the tennis one-to-one professional coaching here. With Eugene and Will Oates, he helped Powell to victory in house swimming; with James Grout he helped the house to victory in the squash competition. On Sports Day, Tom won the 100m sprint and the triple jump; Harry Johnson discovered a new talent, leaping to victory in the long jump; Henry Duke ran the 400m with great determination; Chris O'Hanlon launched the shot; Harry and Will Neal impressed in the longer distance running events.

Henry Duke has also trained hard on the tennis courts. He played very alongside Will Oates in the junior house matches. Will Oates is a very promising young golfer and led the Powell A team to a resounding victory at the Royal this summer. Will is already playing golf with the Sussex U18 squad. Henry, Tom, Callum O'Reilly and Chris O'Hanlon are keen A team rugby players in what has become the College's most rapidly improving side. No fewer than six of the year group played for the U15B cricket team this term: James Grout was captain, Will Neal the wicket keeper, with Harry Johnson, Joseph Muschialli, Will Oates and Chris all contributing with both bat and ball. Alongside Tom, Eugene Jackson has very much been enjoying the new pool, and has the makings of a powerful swimmer. James and Kane Benton have enjoyed some very competitive table tennis in between lessons.

As for creatives: in drama, Joseph and James enjoyed leading roles in School of Rock. It was excellent to see six of the group strongly involved in the Y10 drama scholars production of *Ten Million to Stop the Traffic*. This was an exceptionally powerful devised piece. Chris O'Hanlon starred in the lead role, with powerful cameos from Will Neal, Joseph, James and Tom. Along with Eugene and Callum, all also performed well in GCSE drama practicals. Chris O'Hanlon was awarded the Y10 drama prize. Harry has produced some fine art work. In music, James is making an impressive contribution. He is a fine percussionist, a rapidly improving pianist, and an excellent drummer, performing in pretty much every concert both at the College and supporting at St Andrews. He also sings with the Chapel Choir. Congratulations to James on the award of the Y10 music prize. He and Joseph contributed magnificently to Powell's a cappella victory with Coldplay's *Viva la Vida*. Joseph has lessons in singing, drums and guitar; Eugene also is learning to play the drums; Harry plays sax in the Jazz Band.

Dexter Richardson, Will Neal and Joseph Muschialli lead the way with academic pursuits. All sat IGCSE maths a year early. Will Neal received a Headmaster's Commendation for coming in the top six of the year group in the summer exams and was awarded the Greek prize. Along with Kane Benton, they are all very keen and talented linguist. Kane was awarded a commendable third place, and Dexter came out top in the Christopher Kirk-Green French Reading Prize. He was also awarded the Y10 French prize.





YEAR 11— The boys have risen magnificently to the challenge of a GCSE year. As a year group, their eRC average effort grades have repeatedly been well above the Y11 average. Congratulations in particular to Ted Alden-Templeman and Christian Greenhow, awarded the end of year DT and computing prizes respectively. Also very worthy of praise: Ali Al-Shamaa (joint top in recording the most Show Hsms in Powell); Edward Gent (RS), Giacomo Ghio (chemistry) and David Li (English) who were all awarded end of year class effort prizes. We wish them all the very best when their results come out in August.

This is a group that very much enjoy the creative arts. Alexander Photiou has produced some wonderful art this year for his GCSE portfolio. As for music, there remains plenty of participation and excellence. Spike Gleave (percussion) and Loic Bass Gualbert (trumpet) both reached the finals of the Young Musician of the Year competition. Edward Gent was a winner in the Young Vocalist of the Year competition, with a wonderful performance of *Bring Him Home* from *Les Miserables*. Edward was also a key vocalist in Powell's winning house a cappella entry, performed his own song on the Eastbourne Bandstand, and enjoyed a musical theatre masterclass with a former Phantom in the Birley. Edward, Spike, Loic all sing with the Chapel Choir and, with Louis on oboe, perform with the orchestra. Congratulations to Spike on passing Grade 8 percussion. This is also a keen and talented year group for acting. Both Sean Wilson and Edward Gent enjoyed roles in *School of Rock*. Sean, Spike and Matt Thompson all performed to very high levels in their GCSE drama practicals.

They have very much enjoyed their sport too. Spike has played U16 rugby with Sussex, with Will Lowery and Louis Loubser joining him in the College A team. Ali teamed up with Spike to help lead Powell to victory in the house squash championship. Alexander Photiou played a super round to help the house to a comprehensive victory in the golf. Callum Hynes continues to enjoy tremendous equestrian success with Troy, competing well at Hickstead and qualifying once again for both team and individual events at nationals. He is also an inter-schools drone racing champion, and Powell's number one chess player. Louis and Loic are top drawer hockey players. Ted has enjoyed playing fives. Out of College, Kamran Rajwani boxes. Matt Thompson is a very good footballer. Christian has discovered a passion and a talent for cross-country, and came first in this year's College Steeplechase. Giacomo and Spike are two of the leading male tennis players at the College. On Sports Day, Will Lowery and David Li threw the javelin and the discus respectively to very respectable second places, Ali Al-Shamaa powered the 200m, and Spike Gleave flew over the hurdles and came within a hair's breadth of equalling the long-standing intermediates' record at high jump.

We wish the very best to Matt, Ted and Christian as they head off to pastures new for sixth form study; they will be hugely missed, and we hope that they will keep in touch. We look forward to welcoming six or seven new boys to the year group come the start of next term.





The LOWER SIXTH— (*Arno Pellet writes:*) Back in September, we welcomed eight new sixth formers into Powell year group. Every single person has added to the already great year group and has made us even stronger in all aspects, whether in academic studies, drama, sports or art. Everyone has been involved in house and school life, and everyone has set themselves up well for an important final year at the College.

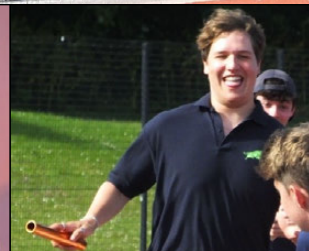
Charlie Reed has greatly enjoyed his first year at the College. He has been settling in well into a brand new environment and social group. He has very much enjoyed the rugby, with reaching the final of house rugby a particular highlight. He has also been very successful in his most recent end of year exams, setting him up well for next year. Charlie has been chosen to fulfil the role of deputy head of the house, in which he has already been very helpful, bringing in great ideas in order to further improve the house next year. Luke Muschialli also had a good year, keeping very busy with four A-level courses as well as music and sport. Luke's main highlight for the year was leading the house a cappella group to victory with Coldplay's *Viva La Vida*. Luke has received the honour of being appointed deputy head boy of the school, which we feel is greatly deserved. Luke came a highly commendable second place in the triple jump on Sports Day. Jacob Doherty has very much enjoyed getting to know everyone. He has been fully involved in sports, both 1st XI football and the senior athletics team. On Sports Day, Jacob won the senior 200m. It was Jacob who held his nerve to clinch the deciding victory for Powell in the house chess championship. He leapt at the opportunity to be a ball boy at the Nature Valley International Tennis Championship event this year, and was delighted to find himself on centre court on the same day as Andy Murray and Jo Konta.

Jake Ludlam has had a great first year at the College. He also particularly enjoyed representing Powell in the house rugby tournament. An academic scholar, he has enjoyed his lessons, picking up a particular interest in economics. He was a leading figure in Powell's victory in the house chess competition. Thomas Watkins has described this academic year as a "whirlwind of adventures". The highlights of his year were the several plays Tom has been in: *School of Rock*, *Hedda Gabler* and AS practicals. He was also involved in some filming on the Downs with OE Eddie Izzard. He had a great time on the art trip to New York where he was able to visit several museums and attend Broadway shows. He is looking forward to stepping up next year to help the rest of the house. Mikhail Konovalov has had a good year, from enjoying getting to know the new boys in the house, to playing basketball and an enjoyable rugby season. He went on the History and Politics trip to Washington, which was an amazing experience.

Jack Stepney has integrated well into the group and has been enjoying College life. He is a keen geographer, and enjoyed this term's field trip. His main interest is CCF, where he received several promotions, most recently receiving his sergeant stripes from Lieutenant General Nugee (Chief of Defence People at the MOD). A solid defender, he is a very capable footballer. He plays tennis, swims, throws the discus well, and enjoys making ever-increasing use of the gym. Henry Walters has had another splendid year in Powell, making excellent academic progress. He has been playing golf all year as well as taking a leadership role with the CCF. He really enjoyed both the recent History and Politics trip to Washington as well as the geography field trip. He also took part on the Powell team in the house debating competition. Dylan Joyce has challenged himself more this year, ensuring that he keeps on working hard. Dylan has particularly shone in business studies. He sacrificially volunteered himself for any event he could help out with on Sports Day, and put in a noble performance in the high jump.

Ashraf Owasil has continued to impress this year with music and sport. He played 2nd team hockey, and helped the senior Powell team to victory in the house tennis. He recently achieved a merit in his Grade 8 piano, and aims for the same level of achievement in violin next year. He is looking forward to helping the house through his peer listener role, and will be the house prefect particularly trusted with looking after the new Year 9 next year. Hugo Verelst-Way has enjoyed his first year at the College, making many good friendships. He has enjoyed strumming on his guitar, both in music lessons and in house. He has been excited about learning about philosophy and history and has been great company in Powell. Arshea Amirazody has been studying biology, maths and physics. He has played football and basketball. He attended the biology trip at the end of the year and has been engaging in CCF. Ollie Godfrey has been great company in the house and has been helpful with school tours. He too has enjoyed football, and has learned to row down at Waller's Haven with the College boaties. James Holley had a good hockey season with the 2nd XI. He ran well in the Steeplechase and had a great biology field trip in Pembrokeshire despite getting himself stuck in a trench on a salt marsh. Jake Wheatley has impressed greatly with his academic endeavour, ability and determination in each of his four A-level subjects. He has done a really good job as this year's house charity representative. Alongside Luke and Ashraf, Jake is an active participant on Dr. Miller's medic's programme. We wish him well as he recovers over the summer from his knee operation.

Alfredo Vazquez has been working hard for his A-levels and playing a good level of rugby with the 2nd XV. He ran the 100m on Sports Day, finishing in second place. He took on the role of the hotel manager in this year's Dell play, and starred in the school production of *Hedda Gabler*. Felix Harffey-Burkhill also took a leading role in *Hedda Gabler*, and further broadened his dramatic horizons on the art trip to New York. Along with Thomas, he led this year's Year 9 drama. He was hockey goalkeeper for this year's very strong 1st VI hockey team, and held both his nerve (and his serve) magnificently in a very tense house tennis final play-off. Elijah Andal has had a great year. He has been captain of basketball this year, earning College half-colours as a result. He is disappointed that there is no hammer event at College Sports Day, but happily agreed to the shot put instead, where he put in a fine performance. Arno Pellet's year began with a fun rugby season with the 3rd XV. He benefitted hugely from some networking events in London as well as the History and Politics trip to Washington where he had a great time learning about the States. He has been making great academic progress, finding a particular interest in economics. Arno is Head of House for next year.



The UPPER SIXTH— (*Louis Heywood writes:*) Noah Canby has performed an amazing juggling act over the past two years having maintained outstanding grades while becoming the British U18 triathlon champion. This summer he won the sprint event at the Eastbourne Ironbourne event. He has been an excellent role model for all the sportsmen in the house, and led Powell to victory in this year's house swimming competition. We wish him all the best in pursuing his international triathlon dreams. Will Dawkins' highlight this year has been playing 1st XI football and gaining his half colours. He has always represented the house well in sporting capacities: hockey, tennis and athletics. He is planning on taking a year out before university, possibly in Australia. Will Jeffrey has enjoyed French and football. A keen and capable cricketer, he captained the Gentlemen's XI this term. Next year he is going to Royal Holloway to read Economics. Milo Down has made an excellent Deputy Head of House this year. He has been a leading figure in the house since joining in Year 10. Everyone has enjoyed his company and his kindness, and he has been a great laugh. Milo hopes to study Business at Leeds. Murray Trott is a very keen and talented sportsman. He has played 1st XV rugby for the past 2 years, and also represented Sussex. Murray showed impressive courage over the 110m senior hurdles on Sports Day. This term, he bowled for the 1st XI. Murray is hoping to read Business Management next year.

Joel Pearce has been Powell's resident joker since Year 9. Despite an unfortunate spate of injuries, he has very much enjoyed his sport, especially cricket, faithfully upholding standards in the Gentlemen's XI for the past 3 years. He has a great round in this term's house golf competition, helping Powell to an impressive victory. Joel is a keen and talented historian. Ed Flowers has been excellent company throughout our five years. He worked hard ahead of his A-level exams and has earned himself a well-deserved sleep over the summer holidays. He is looking forward to a local accountancy apprenticeship next year. Oliver Gent has always been an excellent linguist and musician, and has consistently given his very best to improve further over the past five years. He has been a mainstay of Chapel Choir and the College Orchestra, and leaves with the impressive achievement of securing both Grade 8 cello and Grade 8 singing awards. Oliver made the very most of post-GCSE work experience with the Daily Mirror, and has since written over a hundred articles for their online sports team. He has also been reporting for Eurosport. He is another heading off to Royal Holloway, in his case for a Liberal Arts degree. Luca Wells has been an excellent Deputy Head of School this year. He has often been away on Saturdays studying guitar at the Royal College of Music. An inspiration to many young Eastbourne musicians, he has played a major role in College music over the past two years including a solo in this year's Summer Concert. Luca has made the most of every opportunity while at the College, especially Eastbournian Society networking events. Luca hopes to pursue either law or music in the future.

James Young has always been an excellent character in the house. A very skilful footballer, and the most passionate Derby FC fan on the south coast, this year he captained the 1st XI football team and was awarded full colours. He was also awarded full colours for tennis, and led the Powell team to victory in a very memorable senior house competition. We will very much miss his outstanding singing in house concerts and his strong participation in school drama productions. Since joining the house two years ago, Joseph Gurden has been full of quick wit and banter. He is always good fun but also wholesomely sensible. Despite supporting Manchester United, he loves good football. Joseph is another hoping to study Business Management next year, and—all being well—another to be heading to Royal Holloway. Nikita Malkov has been a stoic in Powell, with a 'work hard, play hard' attitude. His dedication to his studies is admirable as is his ability in hockey, tennis and tenpin bowling. Although we never quite managed to get him up on stage in a house concert, he is a decent guitarist and drummer. Nikita hopes to pursue a career in engineering.

(*JCM adds:*) Louis Heywood has been an outstanding Head of House this year. Last year's leading goal scorer for the 1st XI, he has also given his all to College hockey and finished in style at the final of the National Plate Competition. He is a fine athlete, and stepped up magnificently to the tough challenge of the senior 400m on Sports Day. He finished College sport on a high, leading the house 4x100m relay team home to victory. Louis could not have worked much harder this year, and we very much hope he will have secured the grades required by Exeter, where he hopes to read Geography.





CONGRATULATIONS to the POWELL PRIZE WINNERS

College Prizes were awarded to:

Louis Heywood—the Duncan Ferguson Senior Geography Prize
Noah Canby—the PG and DG Gilbert Memorial Prize for Achievement in Boys' Sport
Oliver Gent—the C Mackenzie Senior German Prize
Jake Wheatley—the EC Arnold Lower Sixth Biology Prize
Ted Alden-Templeman—the NJ Hill Junior Design and technology Prize
Christian Greenhow—the NJ Hill Project Prize for Computing
Will Neal—the Y10 Greek Prize
Dexter Richardson—the Y10 French Prize and the C Kirk-Greene Junior French Reading Prize
James Grout—the Y10 Music Prize
Christopher O'Hanlon—the Y10 Drama Prize
Max Giddins—the Y9 Physics Prize
Joseph Muschialli—HM's award for all round contribution to College Life

Full Colours: James Young (tennis)

Half Colours: Will Oates (golf), Jacob Doherty (athletics), Felix Harffey-Burkhill and Ashraf Owasil (tennis)

Silver Duke of Edinburgh: Thomas Watkins

Highly Commended: Ed Gent (Newton Reading Prize), Kane Benton (Junior French Reading competition)

Headmaster's Commendation: Will Neal

Champagne Moments: Murray Trott (senior hurdles), Spike Gleave (high jump), House Relay Team (stunning finish to Sports Day with 1st place in the house relay)

Departmental End of Year Class Effort Awards to:

Y9— Charlie Carpenter (classical civilisation and biology), Oliver Farrant (design technology), Dominic Forward (physics)

Y10— James Grout (chemistry), Joseph Muschialli (music)

Y11— Edward Gent (RS), Giacomo Ghio (chemistry), David Li (English)

L6— Henry Walters (geography), Arno Pellet (economics), Luke Muschialli (history), Jake Wheatley (biology),

Mentioned in dispatches on CCF Field Day: Tom Pedley (most improved cadet), Jack Stepney (promotion to colour sergeant)

Powell House eRC effort awards to:

U6— Luca Wells, Louis Heywood, Nikita Malkov, Oliver Gent, Noah Canby

L6— Luke Muschialli, Charlie Reed, Jake Wheatley, Arno Pellet, Jacob Doherty, Elijah Andal, Henry Walters, Jake Ludlam, Ollie Godfrey

Y11— Ted Alden-Templeman, Alexander Photiou, Loic Bass Gualbert, Matt Thompson, Spike Gleave, Christian Greenhow, Edward Gent, Kamran Rajwani, David Li, Sean Wilson

Y10— Will Neal, Joseph Muschialli, Dexter Richardson, James Grout, Harry Johnson, Kane Benton

Y9— Elliot Wilson, Francesco Bongiovanni, Jules Bass Gualbert, Charlie Carpenter

Summer Term Powell House Prizes were awarded to:

Y9— Elliot Wilson; Y10— Harry Johnson Y11— Kamran Rajwani; L6— Henry Walters; U6— Joel Pearce and Luca Wells

U6—the David Meijer Award: Milo Down

U6—The Grimaldi Award: James Young

U6—Head of House Tankard: Louis Heywood

