

CANFORD

SPEECH DAY

FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2020



SPEECH DAY PROGRAMME

10.45 am

Pre-Speech Day music

'The Power of Love'

Words and Music by Johnny Colla, Chris Hayes and Huey Lewis, arr. Paul Jennings

Performed by the Jazz Band

'Joyful, Joyful'

Beethoven, arr. Warren, Kjærnes

Performed by the Wind Orchestra

Speech Day begins

As has become customary, the programme will begin with a short piece from the Chamber Choir, this year recorded remotely.

'There is an old belief'

Music by CHH Parry, Words by John Gibson Lockhart

Opening Prayers

Reverend Phil Jack, School Chaplain

Opening Remarks

The Headmaster

Mr Ben Vessey

Performing Arts prizes

Introduced by Charles Rawlinson MBE (B52)

Natural Sciences prizes

Introduced by Dr Emma Thurston (W09)

Reflections from Day Houses

Humanities, History and Classics prizes

Introduced by Tom Holland (SH85)

Economics, Business, Maths and Computing prizes

Introduced by Poppy Pinner (L18)

Reflections from Boys' Boarding Houses

Languages prizes

Introduced by Maudie Fraser (D11)

Sport and Activities prizes

Introduced by Jay Olenicz (S13)

Reflections from Girls' Boarding Houses

Community Relations, Debating and Journalism prizes

Introduced by Giles Duley (SH90)

Reflections from Boys' Boarding Houses

Art and Design Technology prizes

Introduced by Sophie Hebb (M90)

Hardie Academic and Canford College prizes

Introduced by Caty Batten (S98)

Final Dedicated prizes

Introduced by Sophie Minter (M86)

Chair of Governors

Mr David Levin

'Oh When the Saints'

Arrangement by John Rutter

Recorded remotely by the Canford Community

Headmaster's Closing Remarks

Finale

A Canford Tradition, 'Lockdown Style'

School Vision

‘A school community where all are inspired to **explore**, empowered to **express** and challenged to **excel**.’

Acknowledgement

With grateful thanks to the Old Canfordians who presented the awards this year in recognition of our 50 Years of Co-education.

Below are brief biographies of each of the OCs involved.



A YEAR OF CELEBRATION

SEPTEMBER 2019 - JUNE 2020

Charles Rawlinson MBE (B52)

Charles was a scholar at Jesus College Cambridge after Canford. He is a chartered accountant by training and became Chairman of Morgan Grenfell. Charles is a trustee of Ely Cathedral, and a great supporter of music at Canford. He was a founder of the Britten Sinfonia, Deputy Chairman for twenty years and is currently an adviser to the Board. He now has a grandson at Canford.

Dr Emma Thurston (W09)

Emma graduated from the University of Oxford and is concluding her Masters in Public Health at the University of Edinburgh. A GP registrar in Dorset with a special interest in lifestyle medicine and emotional wellbeing, Emma is passionate about lifestyle medicine, particularly how it can improve our emotional wellbeing, and positive psychology.

Tom Holland (SH85)

Tom is an award-winning historian, author and broadcaster. Presenter of BBC Radio 4's Making History, he has written and presented a number of TV documentaries, for the BBC and Channel 4, on subjects ranging from ISIS to dinosaurs.

Poppy Pinner (LI8)

Poppy secured a highly sought after degree apprenticeship with global financial giant Goldman Sachs two years ago. On completion of the four year programme, she will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Digital and Technology Solutions with the potential opportunity of a full time position with Goldman Sachs.

Maudie Fraser (DI1)

Graduating from Cambridge with a BA in Modern Languages – Spanish and Portuguese, as a researcher/writer for [I Am Refugee](#) Maudie accompanied a refugee family through the 'Western Balkans route' from Lesvos to Germany and offered analysis and opinions on current affairs, policies and issues relating to the Syrian crisis, Middle Eastern refugees and the EU response. In 2017 she founded her restaurant business [Sixty:2](#), a fine dining restaurant concept founded on an ethos of sustainability.

Jay Olenicz (SI3)

Jay Olenicz graduated from Bristol with a BSc in Physics. Always a keen rower, he organised and fundraised an Atlantic rowing attempt completely unsupported, gained three world records and raised money for two amazing charities. Jay is currently working as a co-founder in a London based travel tech start-up called [OneStay](#) which aims to unlock last minute UK staycations for young professionals.

Giles Duley (SH90)

After 10 years as an editorial photographer Giles now focuses his work on humanitarian projects. Working with well respected charities such as Médecins sans Frontières, IOM and UNHCR to highlight lesser known stories deserving of public attention and action. In 2011, whilst on patrol with 75th Cavalry Regiment, United States Army in Afghanistan, Duley stepped on an improvised explosive device. He was severely injured, losing both legs and an arm. This has in no way deterred him from his work. His photographs draw the viewer to the subject, creating intimacy and empathy for lives differing from ours only in circumstance.

Sophie Hebb (M90)

Sophie runs her own business – [MissTRocks](#) - designing, making and curating costume jewellery with unusual and vintage components sourced from all over the world. She supplies to retail and also sells on line.

Caty Batten (S98)

Caty's work engages global philanthropists, businesses and social investors who wish to make a positive impact on our world. In 2020 she founded Intaconnected, a social and environmental enterprise which inspires and enables organisations to contribute to a safer future. Caty is a graduate from the University of Cambridge's Institute for Sustainability Leadership and has a degree in Geography and French Science from the University of St Andrew's. She has a unique understanding of complex international development issues thanks to roles with international non-governmental organisations like VSO and Oxfam. She is passionate about environmental conservation and brought her experience and love for wildlife together in Mozambique where she tackled the critical balance between humans and nature. Caty's diverse career history includes media production, adventure travel, youth entrepreneurship, international development and environmental conservation. Currently based in the UK, Caty has lived and worked in Europe, New Zealand and East Africa.

Sophie Minter (M86)

Sophie Minter (née Truell) followed her father, George Truell (M44), to Canford and loves the memories they shared. In her career as a sports soft tissue therapist, highlights include Commonwealth and Olympic Games and working in professional squash. She also lectures in Anatomy and Professional Ethics. Since her recent MSc in Sports Psychology, Sophie includes performance coaching in her work. She is currently taking time out with her husband to rebuild their home in Devon. After a lifetime of playing hockey and loving it, she has recently 'turned to the dark side' and joined a netball league!