



OLD MILLFIELDIAN SOCIETY

MARCH NEWSLETTER 2023



With 2023 and Spring term well underway, we are preparing for Summer and beyond, with an ever-growing list of social events as well as those which are specifically focussed on professional development and careers support via either peer-to-peer networking or mentoring. Our core ambition is to create as inclusive a Society as possible, and with that in mind we will continue to develop our events and branches across sport, careers and areas of special interest as well as reignite our international branches so we can stay in touch with as many OM's around the world as possible.

This is your Society, so please contact us with your ideas and recommendations for branches and events as we'd be delighted to support bringing them to life.

Best wishes,

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OM OF THE YEAR WINNERS 2023

This year we celebrate four new winners who have excelled in their respective fields; James Hildreth, Steve Bachelor, Surgeon Captain Kate Prior Royal Navy and Rob Wade.

We are excited to share that our Millfield Brilliance Dinner will be taking place again this year on Friday 26 May. During the evening we will celebrate OM of the Year, our Annual Student Sports Awards and the finale of our Giving Day 2023, with the opportunity to bid on some incredible auction prizes.

To book tickets for the Millfield Brilliance Dinner [here](#).

OM EVENTS

Throughout the year, the OM Society hosts a wide range of events which are a great way to reconnect with old classmates and network with new people. Whether it's a class reunion, drinks with OM's in your area, a sports match, or one of our many other events, there are lots of ways to keep connected and get involved with the world-wide Millfield Community.

Your OM association is an immense network of professional contacts—all with whom you already have one thing in common. As a result, the networking events we have set up, are a wonderful opportunity to create new professional relationships with like-minded individuals. Our second Careers Networking event of the year is taking place in London, next Thursday, for any OM's working within the property sector. We look forward to seeing you there. If you would be interested in joining our third networking event, and work within financial services, please click [here](#) to book your space.

Find out more about all our upcoming events [here](#).



GIVING DAY 2023

We are excited to announce that Millfield's Giving Day is back, taking place on Wednesday 24 May, with the celebrations continuing on until Friday 26 May.

This year we are focusing on Millfield's global community, which was founded on the ethos of philanthropy and discovering the brilliance in every child.

Boss Meyer founded the school with a clear vision to provide support to students with limited financial means. He persuaded those that could, to help those less financially well off.

The school's Foundation remains guided by this principle enabling talented children, irrespective of their background or financial means, to access a Millfield education.

Find out more about Millfield's Discover Brilliance Fund [here](#).



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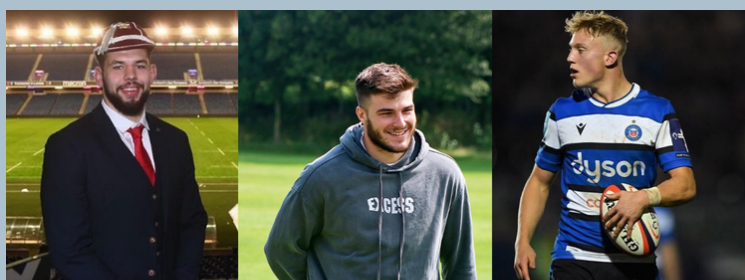
OM NEWS

Walton House boys Paris Norriss (2001-2003; Walton) and Oliver Amos (2002-2006; Walton) are taking on the mammoth challenge to row 4,800km unassisted across the Pacific Ocean.

The world record is on the table to be set for this yet unattempted route and the boys will be competing fiercely against 13 other teams to set this.

They are doing this to raise funds and awareness for the Blue Marine Foundation and The Invictus Games and their endeavour will be the feature of a TV documentary.

Paris and Oliver met during their time at Millfield and reunited in Dubai where they were living and later planned this expedition with two other team mates.



Six former Millfield rugby students were selected for their respective home nations for the 2023 Six Nations tournament. Mako Vunipola (England), Josh Bayliss (Scotland), Huw Jones (Scotland), Rhys Davies (Wales) all made an appearance on the pitch, as well as U20 players Sam Harris (England) and Eddie Erskine (Scotland).

OM Jazmin Sawyers (2010-2012; Acacia) jumped her way to gold with a British indoor record of 7.00m, claiming the European Indoor long-jump title in Istanbul.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Two Ukrainian students have spoken about their experiences of being welcomed into Millfield after fleeing their country.

Ana Sandalova, a 17-year-old pianist, guitarist, singer and songwriter, has found solace in Millfield's music department, performing in multiple concerts, and 16-year-old Vitalii Klymenko has set up a water polo team to pursue his passion for the sport and has already entered the National Championships.

As a result of the conflict in Ukraine, Millfield offered 10 free Ukrainian student places to enable children affected to safely continue with their education.



MILLFIELD ENTERPRISES

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