



World Class Schools Quality Mark (WCSQM)

Press Release: 2021 World Class Schools Awarded at the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford University

On 6th December, the education accreditation charity World Class Schools Quality Mark (WCSQM) held its biggest Awards Ceremony to date, at the prestigious Sheldonian Theatre in Oxford. After a year's hiatus the charity, which includes over 120 of the highest achieving non-selective state schools in its network, celebrated the opportunity to bring school leaders and students back together at the world-leading centre of learning - the historic ceremonial hall of Oxford University.

The highlights of this year's ceremony, sponsored by the world-leading video learning resource platform ClickView, included a keynote address from Robert Douglas-Fairhurst, Fellow and Tutor in English at Magdalen College, author of *Becoming Dickens* and newly published *The Turning Point*, and an audience with Dan Freedman, author of the best-selling Jamie Johnson series, and inspirational school speaker. Dan judged, and awarded the winner of, this year's WCSQM essay writing competition, and gave away signed copies of his book to the writers of the students shortlisted for this year's prize.

"We're delighted to be able to come back together safely with our schools, and to be working with Oxford University's outreach team to showcase the many outstanding educational opportunities available at Oxford for non-selective state students, regardless of their background. By celebrating the World Class characteristics of our students in this centre of academic excellence we hope to motivate them to go on and achieve their World Class potential." Miranda Perry, Director, WCSQM

The WCSQM Awards Ceremony celebrated the World Class accreditation and re-accreditation of schools UK wide whose students have undertaken a challenging assessment process in a bid to prove their school is World Class. WCSQM accreditation uses its framework of World Class student characteristics as a benchmark for an assessment process that assesses the characteristics of the individual student across a range of areas including learning, leadership, community and the workplace. The development of these characteristics support students to thrive in an ever changing global economy, and the uniqueness of WCSQM accreditation is its student-centred approach - the charity believes a school can only be considered World Class if its students can demonstrate World Class characteristics.

On the night, as well as celebrating their accreditation, students took to the stage to accept commendations and awards in categories including Student Character of the Year, WCSQM Qualified Assessor, 2021 Essay Competition Winner and the coveted School of the Year Award for 2021. See the list of award winners below.

Information on WCSQM

WCSQM is a UK charity working to accredit the best non-selective state schools across the UK with the World Class quality mark accreditation. In order to achieve accreditation primary and secondary schools can subscribe to the [WCSQM application](#), giving their entire cohort of students access to the WCSQM framework designed to help



students develop and demonstrate World Class skills and characteristics across areas including learning, leadership, community and the workplace.

Notes

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Featuring live performances from...

Lymm High School (Warrington), string group

Sacred Heart RC Primary School (Bolton) choir

Southfield School (Northamptonshire) - pianist Daniel Dickie and dancer Claudia Palmer

St Anne's Catholic High School (Enfield) choir

Presentations from students...

Amelie Woollass and Bibi Winter, Hitchin Girls' School

Eltaf Afzali and Taylon Lespeare, Sneinton St Stephen's CofE Primary School, (Nottingham)

Lily Kennedy, St Albans Girls' School

Arya Bassi, President Kennedy School, (Coventry)

Project management from...

The students of Bluecoat Wollaton School, (Nottingham)

THE AWARDS

2021 World Class accredited schools

<u>World Class accredited secondary schools</u>	<u>World Class accredited primary schools</u>
Babington Academy	Kentmere Academy
Feversham Academy	Marshfield Primary School
Five Acres High School	Sacred Heart Primary School
Higham Lane School	Seething and Mundham Primary School
King Edward VI Handsworth School for Girls	St Michael's C of E Primary School
Kingswood Academy	Three Bridges Primary School
Lymm High School	Whitefield Primary School
Sacred Heart Catholic High School	Yerbury Primary School
Southfield School	
St Anne's Catholic High School for Girls	
Trinity Academy Grammar	



Yate Academy	
Swavesey Village College	
Moor End Academy	

2021 World Class re-accredited schools

World Class re-accredited secondary schools	Carlton Bolling College
Alexandra Park School	The Ruth Gorse Academy
Bishop Ramsey CE School	Seven Kings School
Cranford Community College	Weatherhead High School
Darrick Wood School	Southam College
Finham Park School	Harris City Academy, Crystal Palace
Harris Academy, Greenwich	Bosworth Academy, Leicester
Harris Academy, Battersea	Langley Park School for Boys
Harris Academy, Chafford Hundred	World Class re-accredited primary schools
Hayes School	St Stephen's Catholic Primary School
Tudor Grange Academy, Solihull	Thomas Jones' Primary
Holland Park School	Berkeley Academy
Rushcliffe School	Wyndham Academy
Balcarras School	Sneinton St Stephen's C of E Primary

2020 World Class re-accredited schools

World Class re-accredited secondary schools	
Bennett Memorial Diocesan School (Kent)	Riddlesdown Collegiate (Croydon)
Forest Gate Community School (Newham)	St. Mary's College (Hull)
Kenilworth School and Sixth Form	Sidney Stringer Academy
King Egbert School (Sheffield)	The Green School for Girls (Hounslow)
Painsley Catholic College (Staffordshire)	The Holy Cross School (Kingston upon Thames)
Parkside Academy (County Durham)	The St Marylebone CE School (Westminster)
UTC Reading	

Visit the WCSQM website for a [full list of accredited schools](#)

2021 Qualified WCSQM Student Assessors

Qualifying Student Assessors - secondary			
Name	School	Name	School
Ali Rehman Reuben Hallsworth-Woods	Bluecoat Wollaton Academy	Charlie James Potts	Sedgefield Community College
Amelie Woollass Bibi Winter	Hitchin Girls' School	Eesha Gupta Harry Gilsenan Mya Birdee	President Kennedy School
Amitojpreet Kaur Aulak	Featherstone High School	Lucy Freudemann Xena Pape	Moor End Academy
Anna McKee	Sandringham School	Nicola Rice	Salesian School



Henry Nurse Jess McElroy Logan Hewit Nabrisa Badu		Olivia Woods	
Anoosha Ashfaq Piyusha Avvula Zainab Ali	Seven Kings High School	Polly Knapton	Weatherhead High School
Antonio Seminara Sarah-Jane Clayton	St Mary's College, Hull	Shifaa Rashid	Greenhead College

<u>Qualifying Student Assessors -primary</u>	
<u>From Morley Newlands Academy in Leeds</u>	<u>From Sneinton Primary School in Nottingham</u>
Ananya Baidyaroy	Adam
Cara Snape	Ahmad
Cerys Davies	Anagha
Charlotte Byrne	Amna
Esme Smith	Antonia
Harper Fellows	Brooklyn
Jessica Turner	Eltaf
Joe Grayson	Ezrah
Mitchell Davies	Gabriela
Nicole Getka	Jemima
Ryan Pallapati	Joel
Shreyasi Gupta	Joshua
	Natalie
	Taylon

2021 Essay Competition Award Shortlist

<u>Special School Category</u>	<u>Secondary School Category</u>
Callum Dootson, Year 9, The Ashley School	Riley Chimbetete, Year 8, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy
	Rumaitha Islam, Year 8, Featherstone High School
<u>International School Category</u>	Sumayyah Dedat, Year 9, Finham Park School
Ana Eloísa Almansa Muñoz, Yr 7, Europa International School	Zehra Shah, Year 9, Higham Lane School
	Lexy Bee-Reid, Year 10, King Ecgbert School
<u>Primary School Category</u>	Axella Evans, Year 10, King Ecgbert School
Mohammed Toure, Year 6, Hillcrest Academy	Alan Swinney, Year 8, Sedgefield Community College
	Lily Kennedy, Year 7, St Albans Girls' School
	Thea Lawson, Year 8, The Morley Academy
	Arya Bassi, Year 9, President Kennedy School
	Abshara Piratheeban, Year 8, President Kennedy School
	Eva Matthew, Year 8, The Bishop of Llandaff CiW High School



Runners up Callum Dootson, The Ashley School

Alan Swinney, Sedgefield Community College

Winner Lily Kennedy, St Albans Girls' School

2021 School of the Year Award Shortlist

	President Kennedy School, Coventry (Secondary)
Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, Nottingham (Secondary)	St Albans Girls' School (St Albans)
Bosworth Academy, Leicester (Secondary)	The Ashley School, Lowestoft (Special)
Featherstone High School, Ealing (Secondary)	Weatherhead High School, Wallasey (Secondary)

School of the Year 2021 Winner - Berkeley Academy, Hounslow

2021 Student Character of the Year Award - Shortlist

Ben Gibson, Year 11	Babington Academy, Leicester	Jay Palombella, Yr 13	Lymm High School, Warrington
Jana Sulaiman, Year 11		Aida Nicolai, Yr 7	Moor End Academy, Kirklees
Jasmeen Kaur Sekhon, Yr 11		Holly-Marie Owen, Yr 9	
Jawahir Abbas, Yr 11		Logan Hewit, Yr 13	Sandringham School, St Albans
Kennedy Udegbe, Yr 8		Lauren Presland, Yr 10	
Maco Abdullah, Yr 9		Henry Thompson, Yr 11	
Priya Kaur Pabla, Yr 10		Sara Mazilu, Yr 11	
Sophie White, Yr 8		Tarunpreet	Sherbourne Fields, Coventry
Tima Amelins, Yr 11		Leila Greenhalgh, Yr 6	Sneinton C of E Primary School, Nottingham
Cailin Ashton-liffe, Yr 11		Ivie Nosakhare, Yr 5	
Bobson Sankoh, Yr 7		Izzy Alexander, Yr 13	Southam College, Warwickshire
Umamah Shazad		Joe Quinney, Yr 13	
Lowri Moore, Year 8	Bluecoat Wollaton Academy, Nottingham	Aniela Jablonska, Yr 11	St Mary's College, Hull
Caleb Russell, Year 9		Emmanuella Dinu, Yr 13	St Wilfrid's RC College, S. Tyneside
Mark Baffoh-Botchway, Yr 9		Tom Graham, Yr 11	
Ridha Ajaib, Yr 8		Ibrahim Dilber, Yr 9	Yate Academy
Aria Charles, Yr 8		Lily Dear, Yr 6	Yerbury Primary School, Islington
Bobby Hughes, Yr 10	Harris Academy Greenwich	Paddy O'Hanlon, Yr 6	President Kennedy School
Ben Frost, Yr 13	Hayes School, Bromley	Arrun Chopra, Yr 6	
Eloise Milburn, Yr 13		Every Tyler, Yr 6	
Sarah Goater, Yr 13		James Chong, Yr 6	
George Fitt, Yr 13		Abshara Piratheeban, Yr 8	
Harry Aldridge, Yr 13		Jayden Thorpe, Yr 10	
Molly Barrow, Yr 13		Cordellia Akata, Yr 8	



Student Character of the Year Award - area winners

	Emmanuella Dinu, St Mary's College		Evert Tyler, Yerbury Primary School
	Logan Hewit, Sandringham School		James Chong, Yerbury Primary School
	Sara Mazilu, Sandringham School		Ivie Nosakhare, Sneinton Primary School
	Kennedy Udegbe, Babington Academy		
	Mark Baffoh-Botchway, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy		
	Joe Quinney, Southam College		

Student Character of the Year 2021 - Mark Baffoh-Botchway, Bluecoat Wollaton Academy