

Queen Victoria School

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Dear Mr Ogilvie,

The Highland Society of London Award will be going to Rhaea Clark this year. Rhaea has been an outstanding member of the dance team since joining back in her S2 year of school. Despite almost every single one of her classmates dropping out and focusing their attention elsewhere, Rhaea committed herself to the dance team and continued to thrive. Through the years she has been involved in numerous engagements both in and outwith the school, from Parade Sundays to special performances supporting charities such as Erskine Hospital and Royal Caledonian Education Trust.

Over the years Rhaea has gone from being a member of the team to becoming the leader of the dance team and she was awarded the title of Principle Dancer 19/20. This title saw Rhaea take on so many new challenges and she stepped up to the mark every single time. For example, she was responsible for creating choreography for one of our Sunday Parade performances and as the lead dancer, she organised extra lessons outwith our practice times to offer help and support to fellow dancers who needed assistance. This allowed Rhaea to take on a teaching role which I know was really appreciated by our most junior dancers, who looked up to her as a role model. Along with this, Rhaea took the time to help junior dancers learn how to maintain their dancing kit, from pressing uniforms to washing their garments - real care and attention to detail was given and she helped to instil a pride in how the dancers present themselves.

In her final year of school Rhaea volunteered with the P7 and S1 classes during her free school periods, where she enjoyed engaging with and teaching the juniors. This was a real help and it also gave Rhaea a confidence boost in her own abilities.

She has shown true leadership and commitment throughout her time at school and is a genuinely deserving recipient of this award,

Kindest regards

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