

## Introducing the Senior Prefects



From the left: Rebecca, Mark, Sophie and Ryan

### **Sophie McIntosh – Head Pupil**

My name is Sophie McIntosh and I am the Head Pupil at Sarum academy. I have always aspired to inspire people and I feel as Head Girl I can fulfil this role with the responsibility I've been given. I really enjoy public speaking and performing in general as I really love music. I really want to use my knowledge as a previous Year 11 with the new GCSEs and I have lots of ideas in how to help the younger years cope with this pressure. I have loads of new ideas on how to improve the experience of the younger years as I've been in the same position and know what helps and what doesn't, you could almost call me their test subject. I am one of the leaders of the LGBTQ+ community group and I strongly believe in people being whatever they want to be and that they should be free to do that. I am currently studying A levels in Maths, English Literature, History and Media along with the Extended Project Qualification. In my free time I really love to sing, read and study. I really hope to fill the role of Head Pupil well.

### **Ryan Gulliver – Deputy Head Boy**

My name is Ryan Gulliver, at Sarum Academy I am studying A Levels in History, Media and Photography. I am really enjoying all my subjects in particular Photography as I learn new, creative techniques to produce more creative and professional photographs. I came to Sarum Academy from St Joseph's School for Sixth Form and have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Sarum, in particular taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award where I have enjoyed the expeditions, and become a volunteer of Rise 61 through the Bemerton Bike Hub. Outside of Sarum I have a weekend job at the world famous Stonehenge where I work in the visitor centre dealing with thousands of people a day and have recently been promoted to supervisor for my professionalism and hard work. I am also very sporty, I have been playing table tennis for nearly 6 years and have had the privilege of representing Wiltshire in county matches, I also enjoy cycling and have recently taken up CrossFit classes which I attend 3 times a week.

### **Rebecca Wyatt – Deputy Head Girl**

My name is Rebecca Wyatt and am Deputy Head Girl for this academic year. I went to St Edmund's Girls' School for Secondary School where I completed my GCSEs, which resulted in me getting 10 strong GCSE passes. I like a challenge, so even though I was new to this school, I put myself up for this position as I want to share my ideas and help further improve the school. I have a passion for sport which is why I have chosen to participate in the BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport that is taught by Southampton FC. I play a different sport every night of the week, which I love, am a football referee and I teach swimming to younger children as well. In the future I would like to go into Sport Science and Nutrition. I love to learn about how the body works, especially how it adapts during sport, and what the body needs to work efficiently. As well as taking this BTEC, which is the equivalent of 3 A Levels, I am also taking Maths A Level on top.

### **Mark Sanderson – Deputy Head Boy**

Hi, I'm Mark, I'm one of this year's Deputy Head Boys. I am currently studying Art, Media and Business. Last year I studied EPQ and did an AS in Maths. I currently run a LGBTQ+ support group within Sarum for the younger years. Over

my previous years at Sarum, I have helped at every event I possibly could and am currently working at the school, within the lettings team, after school and at the weekends. Post Sarum my ambition is to go to Aberystwyth University and study travel management, so I can become a flight attendant or cruise director.



## CHRISTMAS PARTY

AT THE GARDEN

MON 10 DEC  
5.30 TO 7 P.M.

Come along for minced pies, mulled wine and a good ol' sing-a-long of Christmas carols at the community garden on Gainsborough close!!

RISE:61



## Baby Filer



Our congratulations go to Mr Filer and partner on the birth of their son on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December weighing in at 8lb 2oz.. Welcome to the world and no better Xmas present.

## Cambridge University Visit for Sixth Form award winners



Pupils Emma Johnson and Millie Stanley recently had a brilliant opportunity to visit Cambridge University for the day. The day consisted of having a look around Newnham College, they also went to look around many of the other university colleges in the town. They met with the JCR president of Cambridge University who explained what life was like as a Cambridge university student including visits to the university library which has around 8 million books within it, and a tour round the town. Millie commented on her visit *"This trip was a big eye opener for us as it cleared up any stereotypes of Cambridge being a university only for elite people. What we actually learnt is that if you aspire to do well at school, amazing university's like this are open to everyone"*.

**Mr Jones – Head of Sixth Form**



## WE RUN A FREE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



**3 - 4.30PM @ THE BIKE HUB**

We run a **bike club** for young people aged 11-18 yrs from Bemerton Heath who want to learn how to fix and maintain bikes. The club currently takes place on Wed afternoon's during term time from **3 - 4.30pm**. As well as learning bike mechanics, members are rewarded each term with a **free trip** to go mountain biking with a qualified guide.

**JUST TURN UP AT THE HUB ON A WED AFTERNOON TO BECOME A MEMBER AS PLACES ARE LIMITED**

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## Our pleasure

I never get tired of receiving these emails. A recent email to Mrs Murphy from one of our Year 7 parents. My thanks for taking the time...

*"We wanted to send an email to you to say how thrilled we are with my sons progress.*

*The school report sent home last Friday and parents evening on Monday have just reconfirmed how happy we are in our choice of secondary school.*

*Every member of staff we spoke to was so complimentary about him and all of the comments were so encouraging and supportive. We were also grateful of the offers of help via email should my son be finding something particularly difficult.*

*We left the building on Monday evening beaming with pride in how well he's doing, not only academically, but also how well he's coping with day to day school life.*

*We'd like to thank all of you for the support that you give him, it really is much appreciated. Please can you pass on our thanks to all the staff."*

## Successful Parents Evening

My thanks to all the Parents who attended our first 'new format' parents evening of the year. We have already welcomed about a third of parents into the Academy already this year. The next parents evening is on Tuesday January 29<sup>th</sup> 2019. Book early (from 14<sup>th</sup> January) to avoid disappointment.

## School Improvement Advisor Visit – From strength to strength....

Last week our School Improvement Advisor – Mr B Hooper OBE visited. We were delighted with the feedback in summary:

- *The Academy continues to make strong progress in all areas. The focused leadership of the Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher is central to the ongoing improvements.*
- *They have developed and continue to develop a very enthusiastic, knowledgeable and determined middle leadership team.*
- *There is a strong almost palpable sense of unanimity among all leaders in not only the desire and aspirations for their pupils to achieve their very best, but also, how to achieve this.*
- *It is this team leadership that is driving school improvement and also maintaining what has already been achieved.*
- *Throughout the day, I observed many examples of outstanding practice.*

## INSET Day reminder – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018