



Prize giving day at Dornoch Academy.

Rector speaks of pride in year of centenary celebrations

AT the recent Dornoch Academy prize giving, rector John Garvie spoke of his pride in the school's centenary celebrations, which took place earlier in the year.

At the start of his report, he said: "A school year is always full of events, but one set of events stands out above all others in my memory of session 2013-14 - the centenary celebrations of Dornoch Academy as 2013 was the 100th anniversary of Dornoch school moving to its new building and its re-naming as Dornoch Academy.

"And by a wonderful coincidence, it was also the 50th anniversary of the opening of this secondary building by the Queen Mother in September 1963.

"While the primary school concentrated on the January opening of the original building that is now Dornoch Primary School, our secondary celebration centred on the reunion of former pupils through re-enactment

of the Queen Mother's visit, a photo exhibition and a bumper marquee ceilidh dance.

"Current pupils also enjoyed their marquee dance and a combined S1 to S6 educational project day. It was a hugely successful celebration that will long stay in our memories.

"It could not have happened without the help and enthusiasm of all involved and the school would once again like to thank the community for the provision of the marquee and mobile toilets and for erecting and dismantling them. We still hope that the enthusiasm engendered will result in more former pupil events and an effective former pupil association."

After a thought-provoking speech by guest speaker James Fraser CBE - who retired as principal of the University of the Highlands and Islands in December - the prizes were presented by his wife, Sheila.

Dornoch Academy Prizewinners, 2013-14

S1: Endeavour Prizes: Aimee Bremner, Nicole Foreman, Dean Hewitt, Sarah Higgins, Dotty Lynch, Odhran Macleod, Sophie Morrison, Carla Preston, Hannah Riddell, Hope Smith, Matthew Tomalin, Nicole Wight.

Subject Prizes: Aimee Bremner - History/ Hospitality/ PE; Hannah Riddell - RME/ Science/ Technology; Nicole Foreman - French/ Geography; Alex Banks - Maths/ Modern Studies; James Bauld - Music; Madison Hartshorn - English; Sophie Morrison - Drama; Sophie Spark-Whitworth - Art & Design.

Year Prizes: 1st Aimee Bremner; 2nd Hannah Riddell; 3rd Nicole Foreman;

S2: Endeavour Prizes: Ceitidh Aitchison, Sean Beattie, Aaron Bremner, Georgia Brown, Stephanie Davies, Ruby Grant, Elise Knibbs, Hamish McGill, Eilidh Ross-Baker, Isabella Steeley, Daniel Stevens, Ursula Webster.

Subject Prizes: Georgia Brown - French/ Hospitality; Isabella Steeley - Drama/ Chemistry/ Geography/ History/PE; Jem Irving - Art & Design/ Drama/ Biology/ Maths/ Music; Aaron Bremner - Chemistry; Emily Currie - Chemistry; Ben Duncan - Physics/ Classical Studies; Elise Knibbs - Technology; Hamish McGill - RME; Allan Mackenzie - Modern Studies; Gregor Messum - English; Finn Westacott - Art & Design.

Year Prizes: 1st Isabella Steeley; 2nd Jem Irving; 3rd Georgia Brown.

S3: Endeavour Prizes: Max Beavitt, Caron Cowie, Ryan Hewitt, Alyson Mackay, Erin Ross, Ellie Tulloch.

S3 Subject Prizes: Robert Messum - Chemistry/ French/ Maths/ Latin; Tom Lindsay - Drama/ English/ Geography; Emma Whiteman - RME; Alyson Mackay - Drama/ Environmental Science; Ben Mackay - Graphic Communication/ PCS; Robert Tomalin - History/ Music; Adam Weir - German/ Physics; Lee Macdonald - Hospitality Int1; Sam Goskirk

- Business Management; Rebecca Matheson - PE; Phoebe Raven - Administration; James Rowland - Art & Design; Beth Simco - Hospitality; Ellie Tulloch - Biology.

S3 Year Prizes: 1st Robert Messum; 2nd Tom Lindsay; 3rd Emma Whiteman.

S4: Endeavour Prizes: Lauren Forbes, Breagha Hayes, Sophie Kruger, Molly Macdonald, Corin Macleod, Catherine Messum.

S4 Subject Prizes: Caitlin Boa - Biology, Chemistry, Maths, Physics, RMPS; Sam Jones - Drama, Environmental Science, History; Lewis Mackenzie - Computing; Catherine Messum - French, Geography; Jackson Ofor - Administration, PE; Rachael Allan - Art & Design; George Gunn - Business Management; Tay Irving - Music; Iona Johnston - Hospitality Int1; Domantas Laurinavicius - German; Alex McGill - Business Management; Jodie MacLennan - Hospitality; Corin Macleod - Graphic Communication; Louis Webster - English.

S4 Year Prizes: 1st Caitlin Boa; 2nd Sam Jones; 3rd Lewis Mackenzie.

S5/6: Endeavour Prizes: Catriona Wilson.

S5/6 Subject Prizes: Patrick Gray - English, French, German, History; Zia Low - Chemistry; Ewan MacLennan - Computing, Physics; Andrew Mackay - Physics; Siobhan Collett - Modern Studies; Abbie Crew - RMPS; John Fisher - Music; Genavieve Jones-Purdie - Art & Design; Ellie McGill - Biology; Connie Mackinnon and Isobel Murray John - Drama; Eilidh Macrae - PE; Sky Ross - Business Management; Luis Stevens - Graphic Communication; Dana Stoddart - Latin; Mark - Tulloch Maths; Catriona Wilson - Geography; Sandy Mackay - Advanced Higher Geography.

Dux: Patrick Gray; Proxime Accessit: Zia Low.

Special Prizes: Munro History Prize - Patrick Gray; Ross-shire Journal Achievement Award - Zia Low; Ben Walton Memorial Prize

(AH Maths) - Alex Wright; JM Campbell Cup for Physics - Alex Wright; Citizenship Award - Alex Wright; Johnson's Chemistry Prize - Alex Wright; DJ Campbell Maths Prize - Jem Irving; Ospisdale Geography Prize - Catriona Wilson; Parkdean Holidays S4 Languages Prize - Domas Laurinavicius; Patrick Murray Prize for Physics - Brodie Pryde; Just Sew Piping Prize - Finlay Foulis; St Gilbert's Prize - Finlay Foulis; Fire Brigade Technology Prize - Luis Stevens; Angus Murray Maths Prize - Mark Tulloch; Lyn Mackenzie Prize (S3 RME) - Adam Weir; Robert Carroll Prize (S4 RME) - Sam Jones; North Highland College UHI Prize - Hannah Geddis; Country Images Design Prize - Jordan Wemyss; John Grant and Sons Art Prize - Victoria Smith; Drumming Prize - Steven Fraser; Liz Broadhead Prize (Most Promising) - Jodie MacLennan; Harry Gow Prize (Creativity and Flair in Hospitality) - Lee Macdonald; Walker Hospitality Prize - Iona Johnson; 2 Quail Hospitality Prize - Lauren Forbes; Dorothy Forbes Health Prize - Lauren Forbes; Bank of Scotland Enterprise Prize - Libby Richardson/ Lilli Marshall/ Beth Simco; Stuart Grant HE Trophy - Beth Simco; Scottish Language Prize - Isobel Murray John; Library - Literacy Prize - James Rowland; Most Promising Rural Skills Student - Aimee Munro; Meadows Nursing Home Award (Community Achievement) - Aimee Munro; Lynn Munro Outstanding Achievement Award - Aimee Munro; Rural Skills (Best Practical Ability) - Ross Crew; Dornoch Castle Hotel Vocational Prize - Ross Crew; Excellence in Vocational Studies - Liam Munro; Elaine Hook Memorial Prize - Laura Terry; Donald Goskirk Prize - Laura Terry; Dana Stoddart; Dornoch Bookshop Creative Writing Prize - Dana Stoddart; Special Achievement Award - Sophie Kruger; Pupil Support Prize - Abbie Crew; Royal Dornoch Prize (Outstanding & Consistent Service in School and Community) - Abbie Crew; Drama Prize - Abbie Crew; Rector's Prize - Lee Mackenzie. Dornoch Business Community Honour Prize - Jodie Ross/ Sandy Mackay.