

SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS



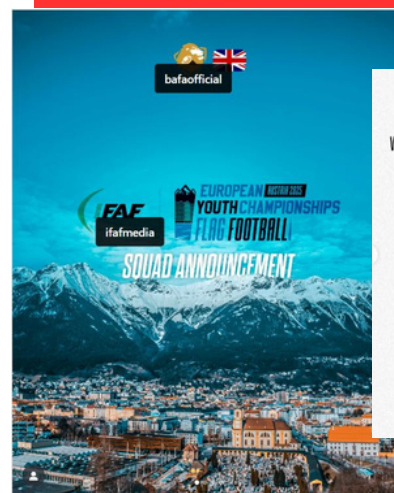
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Top News

IAN THE STANDING YEAR 10

Ianthe has been selected to represent Great Britain in the European Championship for Flag Football taking place in Innsbruck Austria. The squad announcement post is on Facebook and Instagram. Well done Ianthe, an outstanding achievement!!



Students at BOA are achieving great things outside of school

Here at BOA we are so proud of all the hard work and efforts students are putting into their learning and of the progress they are making across all of their subjects. Our remarkable and talented students are also working towards excellence outside of BOA and we want to recognise and celebrate these achievements. I am pleased to share with you some of the latest achievements and look forward to hearing more success stories in the future. Best Wishes, Carmella Beschi (Student Champion Lead).

FREDDIE BECK YEAR 10

Freddie was in the Royal Shakespeare Company production of Edward II at the Swan Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon from the end of February until April playing Prince Edward and later Edward III. He started rehearsals in London at the end of January.

He performed in the press night performance and met Sir Ian McKellan. The pictures below are of Freddie at press night; outside the RSC; and also on stage as Prince Edward.



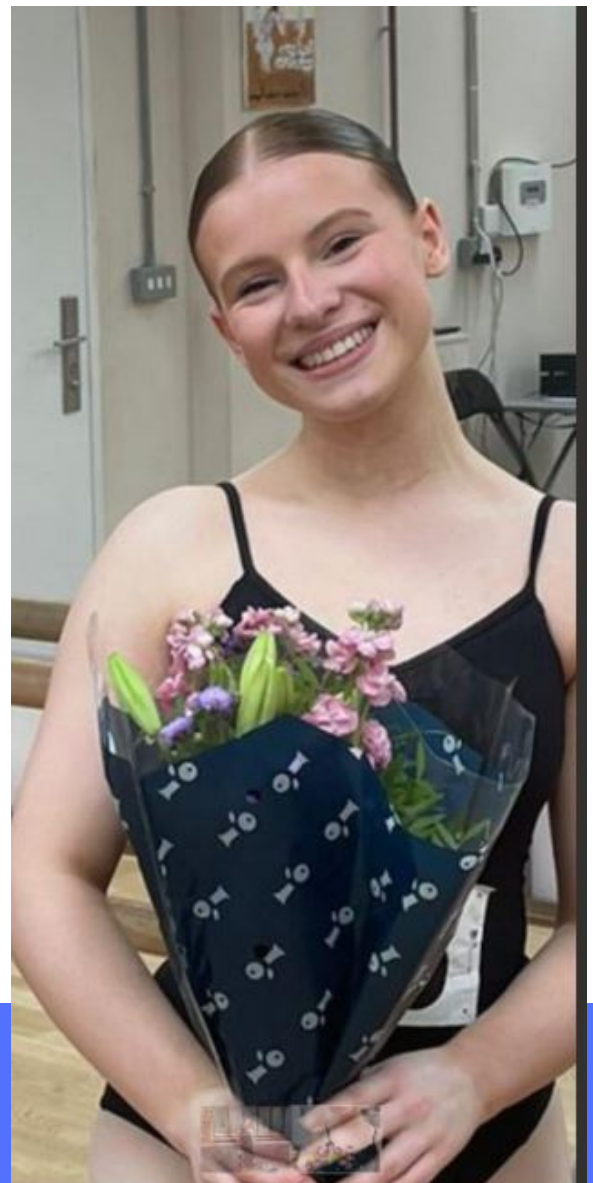


LYRA HOWARD YEAR 10

Lyra recently took her Grade 7 singing exam with London College of Musical Examinations (LCME), performing three songs from various musical theatre genres. She received a Distinction, with an overall score of 92/100.

MATILDA FRASER YEAR 12

- During this last term Matilda has achieved a high distinction exam score for Intermediate Ballet Cecchetti syllabus and will now progress to Advanced 1, from September. In a previous exam with her dance company, Matilda obtained a score of 89, Modern Dance at Grade 6. To complete exam term, Matilda has completed Grade 8, Musical Theatre (London College of Music) where she was required to perform 4 songs which included performances from Wicked and Les Miserables. Now all exams have been concluded Matilda will be utilising her professional training to perform as a "Jet" in West Side Story which is being staged at Alexander Theatre, Birmingham this August.





SHARNI GUINEY-BAILEY YEAR 10

Sharni performed at Wolverhampton Civic Hall with local singing global artist, Jorja Smith! Incredible concert and experience singing with Jorja.



EFFIE BALLARD YEAR 10

Effie played the Principal role of Rusty in Footloose at the Duchess Theatre with KTCO this month.



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FINLEY ROWLAND YEAR 10

Finley was one of the leads in a short film (Wives tale) that went to Cannes film festival and won best original score . Also the same short film was the runner up at KINOFILM MANCHESTER INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL 2025 and will be shown at multiple festivals over the summer including Palm Springs short fest 2025



SOPHIA HIGGS YEAR 11

Sophia entered the UK young fashion designer competition and won in the following category:

KS4 Design and Digital film award.

Congratulations Sophia!



NATASHA STONE YEAR 12

Natasha Stone has had a busy few months! She took her Grade 6 Musical Theatre Singing exam in June and passed with a Distinction at 93% - her singing teacher is thrilled at this achievement as the examiner was quite fierce.

Recently she has also had two paid gigs at Four Acres Care Home and is due to return there this summer. The staff described her as 'a breath of fresh air' and were impressed as she played and sang live.

She also performed as 'Work Experience Girl' in Murder Most Material with professional theatre company AJP and was even accused of being the murderer! Congratulations Natasha.





REUBEN SOUTHALL YEAR 10

Reuben took a lead role in SAOS Youth Theatre's production of *Anything Goes*, from the 2nd to the 5th July. The show was brilliantly received by all who saw it and Reuben had many laughs and much applause for his portrayal of Moonface Martin.

Lily Patterson and Leah Swajda Year 10

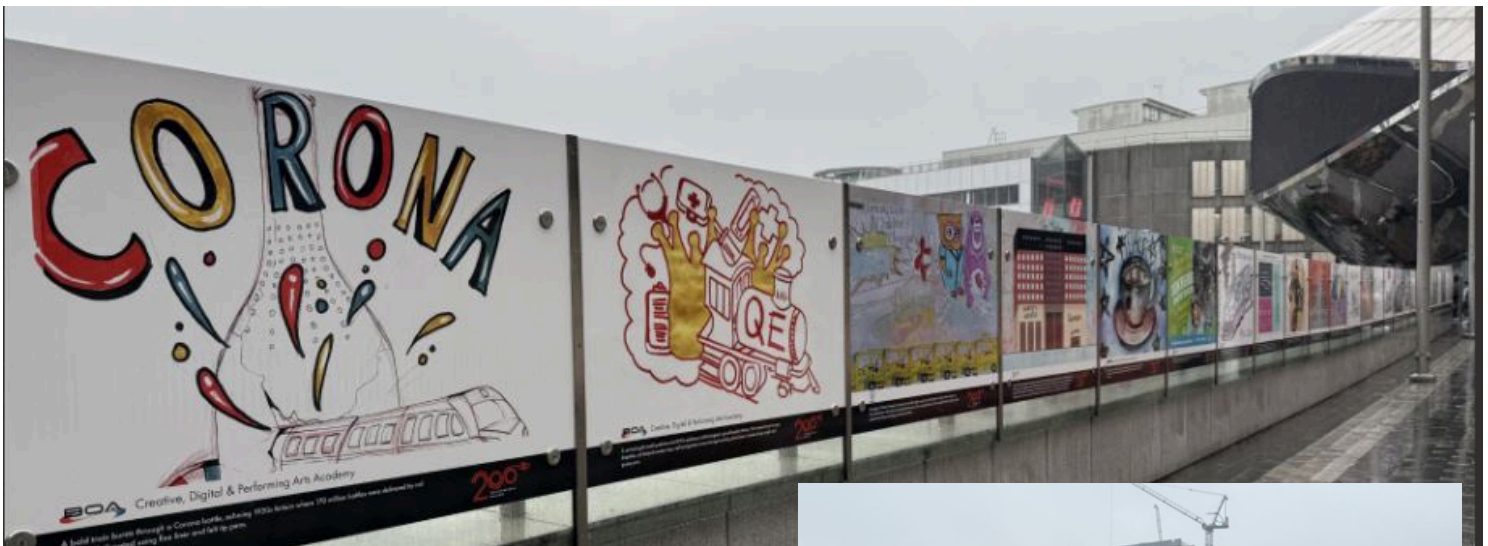
Lily and Swajda were finalists in The Goldsmiths Institute Annual Signet Ring Design Competition!



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Year 12: Elliot Hyde and Eden Walker Year 10: Lily Patterson, Jake Hand, Evie Latham

Railway 200. BOA students created artwork to celebrate companies in the West Midlands using the railway network. Currently on display outside new street station.





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- Thank you to everyone who has sent in their achievements. It has been wonderful to hear from you all and help to celebrate your children's successes.

Ms. Beschi (Student Champion Lead)