

President Kennedy School: Creating opportunity and celebrating success

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Building Brighter Futures

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STUDENTS and staff at President Kennedy School are celebrating another outstanding year which, yet again, included the school's recognition as one of the best state-funded secondary schools for the progress students make between Year 7 and GCSE.

The SSAT Educational Outcomes Award was presented to President Kennedy School at a regional celebration event held to draw attention to the work of high-achieving, improving and innovating schools and teachers.

In her letter to head teacher Mr Thomas in March this year, Sue Williamson, chief executive of the SSAT, The Schools, Students and Teachers Network, wrote: "I hope that SSAT Educational Outcomes Award will highlight the professionalism, commitment and hard work of the



■ Year 7 students Esha, Harry and Mya, scoop two trophies at the Rotary Public Speaking Awards national finals

leaders, teachers and students at President Kennedy School. Recognising and sharing successes like this is at the heart of SSAT's mission, so I'm delighted to congratulate President Kennedy School on their achievement."

President Kennedy School is dedicated to building brighter futures for all of its students. Judged "outstanding" by Ofsted in every inspection area the school was again placed in the top 3 percent nationally for academic progress.

NEW STUDENTS SETTLE WELL
The Bridge, a standalone college exclusively for Year 7 students, ensures that students arriving from primary school settle exceptionally quickly into secondary school.

The Bridge's teaching staff work intensively with the year group to lift educational attainment well beyond those levels expected by the Department of Education. Aspiration, attitude to learning and shaping character are a high priority. Since September 2015, Year 7 students have visited The Royal Warwickshire Regimental Museum, the Shakespeare Schools Festival and at least one top British university. This year, the Bridge's public speaking team made it all the way through to the national finals of the Rotary Public Speaking Competition, winning third prize overall and one individual public speaking award. Unsurprisingly, the Bridge has been extremely popular with parents and is heavily over-subscribed for entry in September 2016.

Outstanding A-level results, combined with strong links with universities and professional pathways geared to employability in commerce and industry, are regarded as vital and year-after-year every student leaving President Kennedy School's Post 16 secures a place in higher education, on an Apprenticeship or in employment.

Students attending President Kennedy School enjoy a rich programme of extra-curricular activities designed to promote



■ Outstanding exam results

student confidence, social skills and personal character. They have participated in many charity events, raising funds for a number of charities including Macmillan, Air Ambulance, CHICKS, Myton Hospice, Make a Wish and Save the Children.

When it comes to sport, students are spoilt for choice at President Kennedy School. The school runs its own very popular sports academies, offering professional coaching from local clubs. President Kennedy School's numerous sporting successes include:

- Girls' football - under 14 West Midlands Cup winners two years in a row.
- Girls' football - under 15 Coventry and South Warwickshire seven-a-side winners.
- Girls' football - under 13 Coventry and South Warwickshire seven-a-side runners up.
- Girls' basketball - KS4 Coventry Cup winners (the team remains unbeaten in three years).
- Year 11 rugby - tour to Gloucester.
- Boys' basketball - Key Stage 3 Coventry Cup runners-up.
- Boys' basketball - Key Stage 4 Coventry and South Warwickshire bronze medal.
- Year 7 rugby - Coventry emerging schools winners.
- Under 15 indoor rowing - Coventry and South Warwickshire runners up.
- Under 15 table tennis - Coventry and South Warwickshire bronze medal.

The school has its own highly successful dance academy and stages regular performances, including this year, "Annie", "Movies themed Talent Showcase" plus numerous music concerts.

The school is celebrating its 50-year anniversary this year and is looking forward to opening its brand new school building in 2017.



■ Year 8 students outward bound in Snowdonia



■ The Year 7 production of Annie



■ Louise Spillard, commercial director at IGD, shares her experience with Year 12 business and economics students.



■ Winners: the under 14 girls' football team receive the West Midlands Cup



■ Year 11 Rugby Tour 2016

OPEN EVENING

SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2016

3.30pm to 5.30pm
and 6pm to 8pm

For further information contact the school on 02476 661416