



**ROOKWOOD**  
**SCHOOL**

**'Aspire & Achieve'**  
A Celebration of the Senior  
School Year

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Special Guest:**  
**Mr Steve Vear MBE**



Steve Vear MBE JP has lived in Andover all his life. He was born with cerebral palsy, which affects his mobility. However, his disability has never prevented him from living a fulfilling and rewarding life.

Professionally, Steve has enjoyed a successful career in senior operational leadership. He spent the first 17 years of his career in the IT industry before joining the examination board AQA, where he served for seven years as Head of Production and Logistics. During the COVID-19 lockdowns, he decided— influenced by his time in the courts as a volunteer—to begin studying law. What started as a personal challenge soon became a new career. Steve has since completed the Bar Course and was called to the Bar by the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple in November 2025. This autumn, he will join the Crown Prosecution Service as a pupil barrister as he looks to complete his journey to full qualification.

Alongside his professional career, Steve has dedicated many years to public service. He is a Samaritan, School Governor for a Special Needs school in Basingstoke, Magistrate, and Chairman of the Southern Premier Cricket League. He also serves as a Trustee and Non-Executive Director of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Air Ambulance, helping to support the charity's vital lifesaving work, including its recent move to Southampton Airport. To find out more about the charity or to perhaps make a donation, please

visit: <https://www.hiowaa.org/donate/>

In recognition of his voluntary service, Steve was awarded the MBE in the 2018 New Year Honours and received his medal from the then Prince of Wales at an investiture ceremony at Buckingham Palace in May 2019.

**Musical Performances**

Piano Solo Alex Longman  
'Memory' Orchestra and vocal solo

**Welcome and Reflection**

Mr Paul Robinson

**Musical Performance**

'The Seal Song'  
Music Scholars Annabelle Neate and Jessica May

**Presentation of Prizes**

Led by Mrs Liz Hacker  
Presented by Mr Steve Vear

**Announcement of new Prefect Team**

Mr Paul Brooker

**Musical Performance**

'Piano Man' Otilie Rolls and Darcy Parish

**Presentation of Cups & Trophies**

Led by Mrs Liz Hacker  
Presented by Mr Steve Vear

**Musical Performance**

'Run' Chamber Choir

**Address**

Mr Steve Vear MBE

**Vote of thanks**

Samantha Crompton

**Subject awards presented to Year 11 or Upper 6  
pupils presented by Mr Steve Vear MBE**

Art	Rebecca Willder
Biology	Leo Walker-Lloyd
Business Studies	Bertie Singlehurst
Chemistry	Rebecca Willder
Combined Science	Leo Walker-Lloyd
Design Technology	Georgina Lemon
Drama	Jonathon Oliver
English Language	Leo Walker-Lloyd
English Literature	Annabelle Stokes
Food Technology	Bobby Pearce
French	Annabelle Stokes
Further Maths	Oliver Woods
Geography	Rebecca Willder
German	Dariia Bychkoviak
History	Kyle Musikavanhu
ICT	Bertie Singlehurst
Maths	Oliver Woods
Music	Bertie Singlehurst
Physical Education	Leo Walker-Lloyd
Physics	Leo Walker-Lloyd
Religious Studies	Dolly-Mimi Jonathan
Spanish	Imogen Spencer
Textiles	Bo Kremer

## Key Stage 3 Faculty Prizes

Creative Arts (Art/Music/Drama)	Manasvi Patel
English	Emily Robertson
Humanities (Geography/History/RS)	Molly Cowley
Maths	George Ford
MFL (French/German/Spanish)	Molly Cowley
Science	Sophia Stokes
Technology	Evie Birkett

### **ASPIRE awards, representing commitment and hard work in all areas of school life.**

Year 7	Jamie Whitehead-Bouchard
Year 8	Emily Robertson & Bart Kwiatkowski
Year 9	Evie Birkett & George Ford
Year 10	Esme Rolls
Year 11	Etienne Spacie & Dariia Bychkoviak
Upper 6	John Kitching

## **Achievement awards, representing hard work displayed throughout the year**

Year 7	Darcy Parish
Year 8	Holden Davies
Year 9	Sophia Stokes
Year 10	Samantha Crompton
Year 11	Oliver Woods
Upper 6	Zac Ellis

## **Cups & Sporting Awards**

Senior Netball	Amelie Searle
Senior Cricket	Luca Coombs
Senior Football	Kyle Musikavanhu
Senior Swimming	Leo Walker-Lloyd
Sophie Thomas Commitment To Sport	Lily-Anne Keogh
Sportswoman of the Year	Amelie Searle
Sportsman of the Year	Cian Sitch-Oliver

## **Rookwood School Major Honours**

### **Biggs Cup for Hard Work & Improvement**

Lily-Anne Keogh

### **Boarders Cup**

Ted Rennick

### **Dunning Cup for Helpfulness**

Ella Cowley

### **Mrs Francis-Pollin award for Resilience in Studies**

Annabelle Stokes

### **Russell Cup for Art Appreciation**

Ellie Lindsay

### **Rosie Davis Cup for Public Speaking**

John Kitching

### **Senior Music Cup**

Dolly-Mimi Jonathan

### **Mrs Whetstone Language Prize**

Dariia Bychkoviak

### **Wordsmith Cup**

Luca Coombs

### **Year 10 Margaret Langley Cup for Maths**

Ollie Palmer

### **Junior Maths Cup**

Holden Davies

**The Moon Science Cup**

Leo Walker-Lloyd

**6<sup>th</sup> Form Cup for application and resilience**

John Kitching

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Form Mills Personal Development Cup**

Lily-Anne Keogh

**Brammah Shield for All Round Achievement**

Oliver Woods

**2026 Prefect Team**

Samantha Crompton

Anita McGleish

Theo Wickens

Annabelle Neate

Eadie Barton

Harry Brewer

Rashley Seidu

Esme Rolls

Jessica May

Arabella Reed

Charlie Martin

Ollie Palmer

Thank you for joining us today.