

# KAS Connected

## Y13 GRADUATION

Year 13  
Class of  
2020



This week we said goodbye to our Y13 students as they move on to their next adventures. Head, Robert, hosted a virtual Callover where students, parents and staff could gather and look back over the amazing contribution this year group have made to the school.

Head of Sixth Form, Takako, said: "Kindness, a belief in the importance of every individual and their voice, the determination to have a positive impact on the world around us, these values are what makes KAS special, and they are what makes each one of you special." You can read more of her speech [on the school website](#).

Representing the students, Georgina, Charlotte-Lily and Tara spoke for their year group. They said: "KAS is a place that has inspired creativity in all of us. At what school would you be able to represent the mathletes one day and perform in a musical production the next. Thanks to the sports teams, the School Six, the artists, the drama kids and everyone who's represented the school along with the teachers who made it all happen."

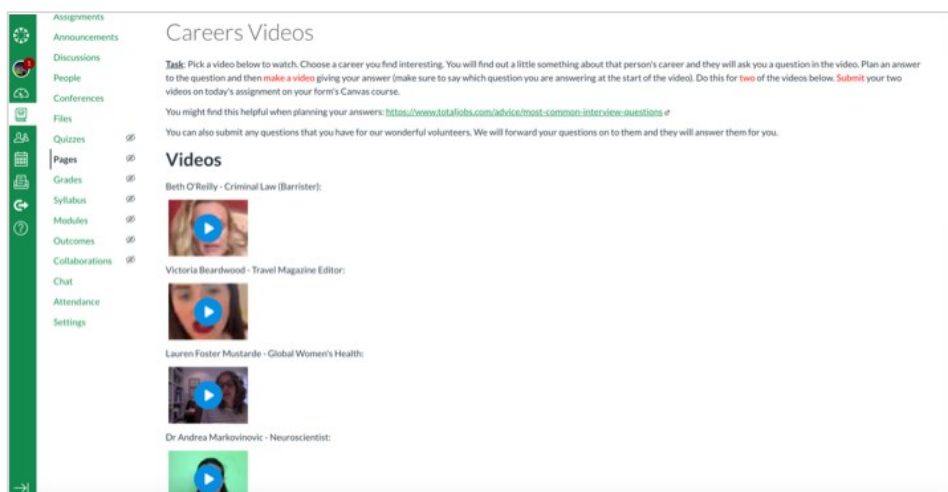


## JUNIOR PHYSICS CHALLENGE

On 12<sup>th</sup> May the Year 10 Triple Scientists sat the tests for the Junior Physics Challenge run by the British Physics Olympiad. They acquitted themselves admirably, dealing with some very tricky questions testing their understanding and knowledge on a broad range of physics topics and achieving some excellent results. Special congratulations go to Rudy who achieved a Gold Award and would ordinarily have won a place on a one-day workshop in the Department of Physics, University of Oxford.

## CAREERS ON THE SMALL SCREEN

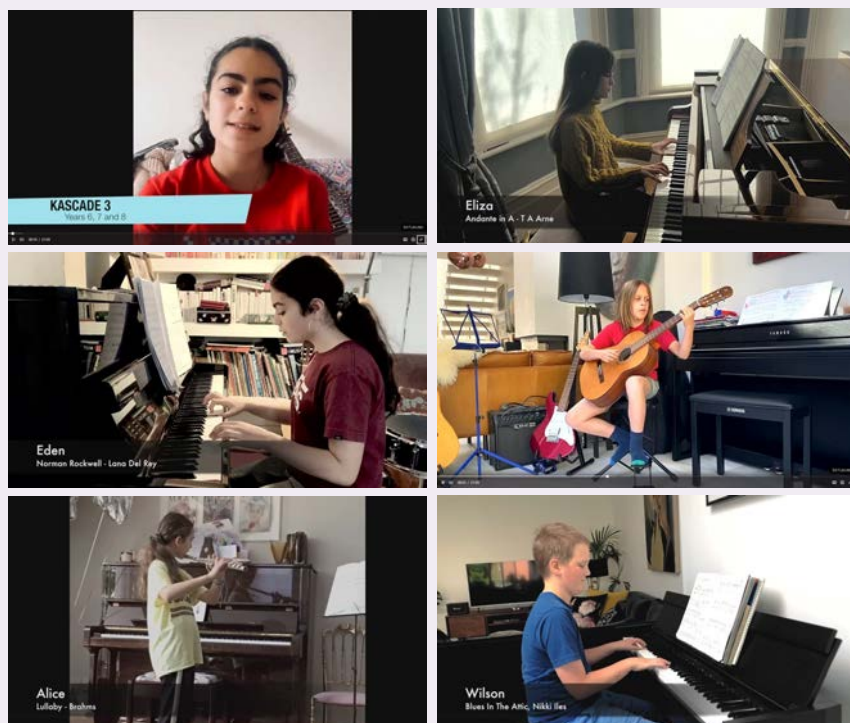
Since Year 9 didn't get a chance to experience the Careers Speed Dating event this year some of our kind volunteers sent in short videos where they talked about their career and then posed an interview style question to the students. The Year 9s chose some videos to watch and then made their own video replies to the questions to practice their interview skills.



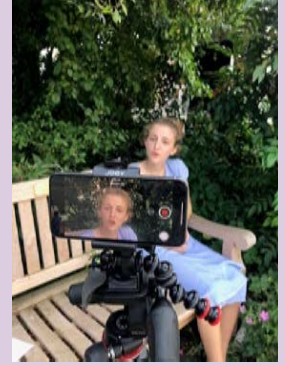
## KASCADES 3

The final online concert of the series was another triumph for the Music and Media department.

Featuring performances from Years 6, 7 & 8 it was an uplifting end to the term and once again showcased the huge range of talent in the school. Congratulations to Alice, Bea, Eden, Eliza, Eva, Isis, Izzy, Liza, Max, Tibor, Vince and Wilson on a brilliant concert.



## READY FOR THEIR CLOSE UP



Year 9 Drama Choice students came in to school to film monologues which they'd written themselves with the help of parent (and actress) Tracy Anne Oberman.

## JUMBO SUPPORT NEEDED



This week should have seen KAS students heading off to Namibia to volunteer with local charity **Elephant - Human Relations Aid (EHRA)**.

Travel restrictions have obviously put a stop to the trip and sadly, the organisation has suffered a huge drop in funding due to the pandemic and is clinging to survival. We've worked with the organisation for many years and want to continue to do so. If you'd like to donate and support their work—[visit their website here](#). You can also [purchase t-shirts](#), snap a selfie wearing one and share on social media with [#EHRANamibia](#) to help raise awareness of their work.

## ROBERT AND KAREN'S MESSAGE

With one week of term left to go I know many of us are looking forward to some well deserved time off over the summer. We know that the pressures of the pandemic have been tough on the whole KAS Community. Teachers and leadership teams have worked harder than ever to keep KAS running online, blended or back in school. Parents have supported our students, taken on the role of school caterers, cleaners and cheerleaders. Students have risen to the challenge of learning online without the distractions and enjoyment of doing it with their friends.

We've said it before and we'll say it again, we couldn't be prouder of everyone in the KAS Community and we can't wait to see you all back in September (details to follow when we have digested the Government guidance).

