

### YEAR 9 GRADUATION



We have had a wonderful week celebrating success with the vast majority of our Year 9 students along with their family. Students looked fabulous in their graduation hat and gown whilst collecting their certificate be it level bronze, silver, gold or platinum. It was wonderful to see our Hub full of excited families watching the celebration, listening to two utterly amazing Year 9 singers and taking lots of proud photos. Well done Year 9 Graduates!

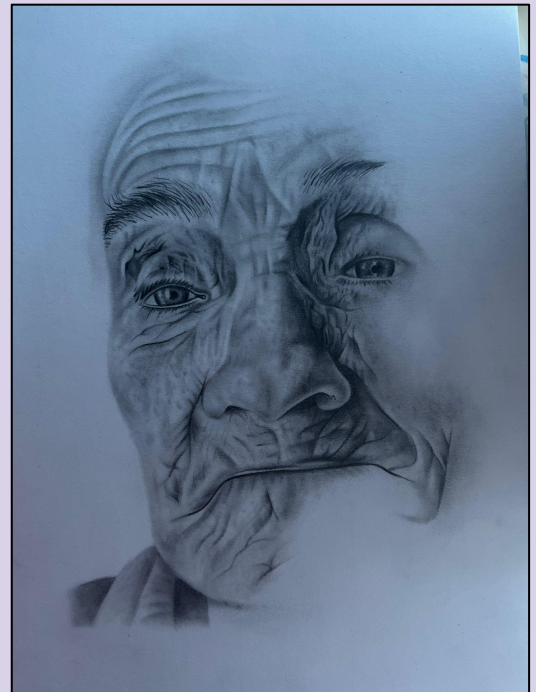


### OUTWOOD ACADEMY FREESTON - ARTIST OF THE YEAR

For the second year running, a Trust-wide Art competition was launched to highlight the incredible talent we have in our Trust. Each Academy had the opportunity to submit up to 20 pieces of artwork from any year group, a potential of 600+ pieces from all the 30 academies involved! There were no limitations on the type of medium which could be photographic, digital, 2D or 3D.

A panel of judges will award an 'Outwood Academy Artist of the Year' for each Academy and then 25 pieces will be selected by Sir Martyn Oliver and local artists for an exhibition at the prestigious Hepworth Gallery in Wakefield. Artists who have work selected for the Hepworth collection will be invited to a celebratory event where the 'Outwood Artist of the Year' will be announced. This will take place on the evening of 18th July.

We are pleased to announce that Isabelle was announced as artist of the year for our academy for her portrait she created during her exam preparation time. She was also selected as one of the finalists who will have her work exhibited at the Hepworth Gallery. An amazing accolade to have her work displayed at one of the UK's top art galleries! The Art Department is incredibly proud of her achievement and all the other student entries that were made on behalf of Outwood Freeston. Their dedication, commitment and time put into their work is amazing and an inspiration to all.



### OUT OF ACADEMY BULLYING SUPPORT

No matter how alone you might feel, there is always someone you can talk to and someone who can help. If you are not in the academy try these sites for support:

- <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>
- <https://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/chil dren.html>

### JULY STRIKE DAYS

You will be aware from the news that there are two further strike days - 5th and 7th July. Our academy will only be open to Year 10 and vulnerable students. [Full details are here.](#)

### MESSAGE FOR OUR YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS

Please remember that the Y6 student transition day and the parent/carer information evening is Tuesday 11th July. [Full details are here.](#)