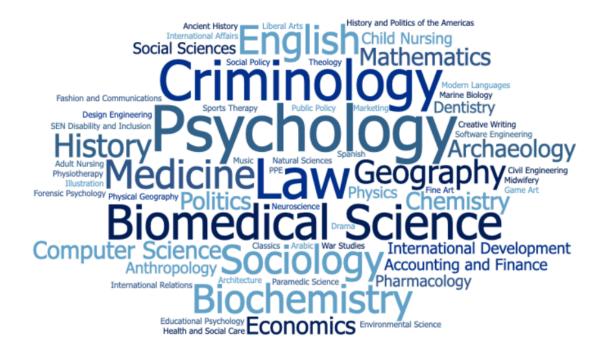


## 15 January 2021

Dear donors and supporters,

We hope you and your loved ones are well. Once again, we wanted to thank you for your help and support over the past year.

Despite the challenging last few months, we managed to grow again as a Charity, and were able to award close to 200 Scholarships in 2020. We are supporting students at universities across the country, from Dundee to Penryn, and, for the first time, one in the US (Princeton, though the student is currently at home in the UK attending 'online'). There is also a huge breadth of subjects being studied, as can be seen below:



They were among yet another impressive cohort of young people who won Scholarships across England this year, including numerous young carers, mentors and community volunteers, students who had to juggle school work and paid work to help support their families, even students who self-taught themselves additional Alevel subjects, all while showing tremendous resilience across their studies. Among the many things their teachers said of them were the following (we could have listed pages more, but have tried to exercise restraint!):

"I have been astounded by his resilience, his attitude to his studies and his commitment to his family, and I'm certain that a scholarship like this will have a dramatic impact on him." "She is, quite simply, outstanding; not only because of her exceptional academic attainment in a variety of disciplines, but for her remarkably proactive contribution to the school community. She is now standing on the threshold of great academic success and admission to medical school, while quietly dealing with many personal challenges."

"He has never complained about his situation or used it as an excuse. He is an example to everyone around him and his persona drives others on. My Sixth Form will miss him - he is the kind of person that we would all like to be."

"He is a remarkable young man who has carried himself in a dignified and mature way despite such difficult circumstances both emotional and personal. His courage, determination and resilience are remarkable, and on his behalf, I thank you."

"She is a rocket of energy and enthusiasm, and once lit, she is hard to repress as she is hungry to learn about all things involving science and healthcare. She is extremely passionate about studying for a degree where she is able to make an impact on the lives of others, and will study Paramedic Science at university."

"Her homelife has been nothing short of chaotic since she started in the sixth form but despite the many difficult circumstances she has found herself in, she has continued to plough on as best she could and she is in line to receive excellent grades in the summer. A remarkable but humble young woman thoroughly deserving of this award."

"He is a student that you rarely get the privilege to teach. I'm not sure how much I did actually teach him in terms of his ability, however, I know that he appreciated our support (and humbly benefitted from our admiration). He has always had to battle this aspect of creating art work (lack of materials due to finances) and yet, on badly stretched pieces of hessian or with cheap, old brushes, he has created some of the best work I have ever had the privilege of seeing, and briefly being a part of."

"She is an incredible young woman who, as well as being extremely gifted academically, has such a kind and generous manner. She manages to balance all aspects of school life, being a senior student, helping at school events, and supporting SEND students in lessons. Out of school she has a part-time job and volunteers in the community. Her commitment and desire to succeed are incredible."

"He is an inspirational young man who has thrived following adversity. He is highly respected by all year groups and brought so much to our school community. Every school should have one of him! "

"It is extremely rare that a student, who has been confronted with the adverse childhood experiences she has faced, completes their education with any success at all, let alone achieves such outstanding results. Her offer from Cambridge was a remarkable achievement. She is a rare find - a young person who has not let the hardships or adversity of her life as a child affect her levels of application, attitude to others and her studies."

We've been lucky enough to grow the project each year, and now have an increasingly broad base of corporate donors, individual donors and charitable trusts who support us, a group of four great Trustees, as well as enthusiastic schools and colleges who nominate the amazing students. We're already excited about what we'll be able to do in 2021!

Best wishes;



Alan Terry, Co-founder