

Farnham Students celebrate success at the Annual Celebration of Achievement with former student as guest of honour

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Former student of Farnham College, Kai Adams, came back to the College on Thursday 19 December to celebrate the success of our current students at this year's Celebration of Achievement evening and gave a speech telling the students that they can achieve with hard work and belief. Head of Curriculum Management, Planning and Quality Improvements, James Taylor, opened the ceremony, highlighting some of the outstanding achievements of students from the College throughout the last year. He also touched on the broad range of subjects that Farnham College students can study and how this prepares them for their next steps and enables them to progress into a diverse range of careers. With the support and generosity from Trustees of the Farnham Educational Foundation and the Old Farnhamians' Association, the College was able to celebrate the achievements of 39 students who had won awards recognising their outstanding achievement.



Celebration of Achievement 2019

Notable winner of the evening was Tom Basey, who was awarded the Maurice Jeffreys Award for Outstanding Achievement in Business Studies, the John Terrill Award for Outstanding Achievement in Sport as well as the Old Farnhamian's Student of the Year Award. Tom was described as "a high performing student, who consistently gives his spare time to the College....he is very hard working and is predicted to achieve high grades in his A Level and BTEC studies."

The highlight of the event, was former student Kai, who spoke to the audience about what he had achieved in the years since leaving the College. He studied English and Modern languages at Oxford University and went on to take a course in Teaching English as a Foreign Language. He was then posted to Northern Spain for 8 years. Kai talked about being flexible and open to new opportunities and explained to the students how it wasn't until he returned to the UK and did a variety of roles, that he found his true vocation. He talked about the importance of learning from mistakes made and being willing to try new things.

Neil Brookes, Head of Farnham College, said "Congratulations to all of our outstanding students who received awards and prizes at the ceremony! I'm always hugely impressed by the talent, hard work and commitment of all of our students at Farnham College, and these awards recognise the achievements of just some of them. My colleagues and I feel immensely privileged to be able to work with young people who show such great enthusiasm and talent in their chosen fields. I'd also like to thank the Old Farnhamian's Association who sponsor the awards and who we look forward to welcoming back to this event every year – it is always lovely to see them."
