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Dear Alex

On behalf of Queen Victoria School and our Highland Dance Instructor, Stephanie Stinson, I would like to thank the Highland Society of London for their very generous gift and continued support.

The winner of the award is going to our current Principal Dancer, Mirren Wood. Mirren has successfully led the dance team this year, which has been challenging at times given that we were still fairly restricted due to COVID. Despite the challenges, Mirren has been a resilient and dynamic leader, who has organised social events and team get-togethers to boost morale and keep spirits high.

Mirren has been a keen dancer at QVS since she first joined us 7 years ago. Throughout her junior years, she worked hard to master the skill and technique and she very quickly progressed to becoming a member of the school dance team. This has seen Mirren perform at almost every school parade in her time here, along with various external events such as the CCF Beating Retreat and the opening ceremony of the HMS Prince of Wales Aircraft Carrier.

Despite the fact that she has not taken her dance education further, Mirren has become a well-rounded and dynamic performer and her enthusiastic outgoing personality has been a valuable and much-loved asset to the team. As she moves on to further education with hopes of becoming a primary school teacher, the dance team will miss her and wish her every success in the future.