



Queen Victoria
School



Dear Alex

I am writing to thank you for the cheque for £75.00, the Highland Society of London prize for this year was awarded to Mairi Lawson. Throughout her time at Queen Victoria School, Mairi has been an active and committed member of the dance team. She was selected as the principle dancer for her final year at school and she has done a great job at this. Mairi has been involved in choreographing parade dances throughout the year and has been dedicated to ensuring her team has been prepared and well-practiced for these important events. Mairi offered extra time and arranged classes for the dance team throughout the year. She also took great pride in ensuring that the uniforms were well maintained and she assisted me with the presentation of the dance team from their hair right down to their socks. She has been an excellent ambassador for the school and she was a good role model for the dancers.

Along with this she has been an excellent competitor throughout her dancing career, gaining many successes and trophies. Mairi is currently graded as a Premier Championship dancer, which is the highest accolade that you can achieve. She has worked consistently hard and we will be sad to see her leaving the dance team this year.

I would like to thank you once again for your continued support.

Kind regards

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Queen Victoria School in Dunblane is fully-funded for tuition and boarding by the Ministry of Defence to provide stability and continuity of education, within the Scottish system, for the children of UK Armed Forces personnel. Service personnel who are Scottish, or who have served in Scotland, or who have been part of a Scottish regiment are given priority. Fully boarding, co-educational and tri-service (for Army, Navy and RAF children), the School takes around 270 pupils from the ages of 10/11 up to 18.

As well as high academic standards, the School develops in its pupils a range of skills, attributes and values which help them to find their way in life, both during their School years and beyond. Distinctively Scottish, both in its intake (mainly the children of personnel who are Scottish, have served in Scotland or are part of a Scottish regiment) and in its curriculum (the Scottish exam system, and compulsory piping, drumming and Highland dancing for its youngest intake years), Queen Victoria School occupies a beautiful campus in Perthshire.

Built through subscriptions from serving personnel and other interested parties, Queen Victoria School was created in memory of those who had died in the South African wars of the late 19th Century. It was opened on September 28th 1908 by King Edward VII; at this time he also laid the foundation stone for the School Chapel. The Chapel was completed in 1910 and is Scotland's memorial to Queen Victoria.