**Excellent work at the Yateley Young Designers Exhibition 2016**

Students at Yateley School had an opportunity to showcase their creative talents at the ‘Yateley Young Designers Exhibition’ last week. GCSE and A level students in Art, Graphics, Photography, Technology, Textiles and Food displayed their work over 3 days in an end of year show at the School.

At the launch event on the Tuesday evening Sally Williams Head of the Design and Technology faculty gave a speech on the importance of Design education for the future economic grow of the country. She said,

‘With skills shortages in area such as design, manufacturing, construction and engineering it is important that Design and Technology and Arts subjects remain in the school’s curriculum, the students of today will be the designers and engineers of tomorrow. We are very lucky at Yateley, with a supportive Head teacher and governors Design and Arts based subjects continue to be very popular with students at all levels and students achieve highly’.

The students who produced the very best work in each subject were presented awards by Head Teacher Mr Jackman at the launch of the event last Tuesday night.

The award of ‘Yateley Young Designer of the Year’ for the best piece of work in the show was presented by Karine George, Head Teacher at Westfields Junior School.

The award went to Jodie Arnold in year 13 for her A level Art project. Walter Bremner, Head of the Arts Faculty said,

*‘"*Jodie’s work is a reflection of her intelligence and gentle humour. Like all the best illustration, her work draws you in to the imaginary world she has created. She is a true story teller.”

Rebecca Druett (pictured here) won the award for ‘Best A Level Graphics’ and also ‘The People’s Choice Award’, for her haunted house design. Next year Rebecca will be going to UCA Farnham to start a degree course in Graphic Communication.

The show, now in its ninth year, ran for three days last week and was attended by many visitors including governors, students, family and friends as well as the local community.

The exhibition was a huge success and a celebration of the creative achievement of students at Yateley School.

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