

## Bishop Fox’s Educational Foundation Showcase Event

The Bishop Fox’s Educational Foundation Charity is celebrating nearly 25 years of grant giving to young people, who either live or are being educated in the Borough of Taunton Deane, with a showcase event held in the Taunton Conference Centre at the Somerset College on the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

The showcase highlighted some of the talented young people and clubs giving testimonies and performances of what they have achieved since receiving funding. Enjoyed by all the showcase event was attended by over 80 guests. Rebecca Millard played the Oboe, Claire Barnett-Jones sang, Daniel Hole, a male ballerina in training could not attend but had his story shared, aKa Dance Theatre Company did a short performance, Ian Payne from The Taunton Rowing Club spoke of the difference funding has made, The Centre of Outdoor Activities Community Hub ‘COACH’ presented their forthcoming project, Trull Parish Youth Group students visited Uganda and shared their story and lastly New Direction -Taunton Majorettes took the stage as the closing performance.

Jane Barrie, the Chair of the Bishop Fox’s Educational Foundation said: “What a fantastic event, it is such a privilege to revisit some of the young people the fund has supported over the years. The evening really demonstrated the talented young people and watching the performances brought to the forefront why the fund is in existence.”



The Bishop Fox’s Educational Foundation is a grant giving charity, the aim is to promote the education of young people aged between 11 and 24 within the following areas: Music, other Performance Arts, Physical Activity, Education and also awards grants towards the cost of school uniforms.

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**Editor's notes**

The Foundation's history is linked to that of Bishop Fox's School, which can be traced back to 1522, and Richard Fox, Bishop of Winchester. In 1940 a new Bishop Fox's School was built by the Local Education Authority and the property which comprised the former school remained with the Charity. In 1991 the Charity Commission approved a new scheme to re-establish the Charity as the Bishop Fox's Educational Foundation with widened aims to enable accumulated income to be more readily put to beneficial use.



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