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<mark>WHY</mark> YOU'RE SPECIAL

If you can find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere. Frank. A Clark

I think this year, the class of 2020, should find that this resonates with them more than ever before. During what has been an unprecedented time you have been resilient, mature and we are so proud of you. And you should be proud of yourselves for your hard work in school and at home. This year has tested your ability to adapt and thrive in situations that you are not used to and has seen you triumph. I hope you remember how well you've done and apply the same composure and commitment to the exciting experiences and challenges that lay ahead.

There have been so many fantastic memories, in what has felt like the fastest year. I admired your teamwork and competitiveness during Sports Day. I admired your grit and resolve during the Duke of Edinburgh expeditions. I admired your community spirit and inclusivity during the Well-being trip. I admired your talent and charisma in school performances and productions. This list goes on but one thing remains that same, you are all truly exceptional individuals.

As you move onto your next chapter. be it here at EC Sixth Form, or further afield. I hope that you remember that you are all truly outstanding. But, maintaining high standards is about consistent hard work and dedication which you are all capable of. Use your time well, be thankful and most importantly relish in immersing vourself doing what you love. The path may sometimes be bumpy but the lessons you will learn along the way are part of the journey. Don't forget, it is the bumps, the challenges, the obstacles that mean your path is leading to a happy and successful future.

Class of 2020, it has been a pleasure working with you all. Good luck! I know that you will excel, wherever your path takes you.



A message from Miss Ayre and the Senior Team

STUDENT MESSAGE

When I first joined EC in Year 9, knowing nobody and watching everybody whizz past me in a blur of unfamiliar faces, I felt very overwhelmed. The crisp smell of my brand new uniform was undoubtedly the only constant in my first day of school. The first thing that I heard anyone in EC say was actually a conversation between two close friends on the table that I randomly chose to sit in during morning registration – it was something about eyebrows ("Omg! Your eyebrows look amazing!"). In hindsight, as strange as this may sound, this interaction probably summed up the EC spirit pretty accurately – unwavering friendship, support and a lot of bemusement for my 14 year old new-kid self!

Although the only initial constant has changed over the past 3 years (hello, new uniform), the EC community has become the new amazing staple in my life. In the past year alone, I've created some friendships I will always treasure; and laughed an innumerable amount of times (a lot of them involving Yusuf's flawless knowledge of his favourite topic in Biology). As a year group, we've created some unforgettable memories: from International Days to Sports Days and even just the regular flow of everyday life at EC, I am sure I can speak on behalf of everyone when I say that these moments will forever be cherished. In fact, one everyday memory I can guarantee we all share is being chased up and down the school by Mr Idris as he tries to get us to wear our lanyards! I can proudly say that my yellow Falcon lanyard has survived all 3 years of EC life - although it's a bit more grey than yellow now... Of course, as the GCSE 2020 class, it goes without saying that this year in particular has been very strange, to say the least. The cancellation of our exams was in itself a shock. Combined with a full transition to home learning, the effect of COVID-19 has undeniably flipped our lives upside down. Nevertheless, we have all managed to stay in touch with one another during quarantine - a testament to our unbreakable community spirit. This year, as the world has thrown a multitude of challenges at us, I can proudly say that we have developed the maturity to unabashedly voice our opinions and become harbingers of change through little yet powerful acts of solidarity. Year 11, we're on the right track.

Finally, to all of our friends that are leaving us next year: we will miss you; and we wish you all the best in the next steps in your lives. To everyone that's staying with us in Sixth Form: let's make this brand new chapter even better than the ones before!

- Ganna Abdelwahab, 11B



PHOTOS AND MESSAGES

ARRANGED BY TUTOR GROUP

Special messages from friends and teachers



Photo from Masdar City Trip

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Ahid Abdul Karim



Ms Douglas' favourit<mark>e smile in the College</mark>
I remember teaching yo<mark>u some things in science!</mark>
Mr Talsania

Archie Adams



Here's to hoping that I never bump into you at MOE again! Lol!! Ms. Kalia. You never know who is listening outside your tent in the middle of the night.... Mr Talsania . Archie was the "Fastest" moving rugby player on the pitch. Mr McMahon

Hannah B<mark>okelman</mark>



The biggest smile, in every lesson, and will definitely be missed! Good luck! Ms. Kalia. Any broken bones? Mr Talsania. A huge contribution to the 7s Netball team. I hope you continue to play Netball alongside officiating it - you've got a lot of potential. Mrs Quinnell-Clark:

Yazan Al Daker



Never has an individual tried so hard, yet wanted to do so little! Lol!! Good luck for next year! Ms. Kalia. I second Ms Kalia. Mr Talsania A natural entrepreneur! One day Yazan will out-earn me! Mrs Hafiz

Suhayl Dastager



I miss your presentations in Moral Education now I don't teach you. Ms Clark Biggest boss on D of E carrying that massive tent up and down hills! Mr Talsania:

Norah De Jager



Even the way you say hi on Google Classroom makes me smile. I love your individuality. Ms Clark You are a kind, polite and wonderful member of the form (when you are actually in school!) Mrs Green:

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Tudor Dumitriu



Coolest hiker on D of E! Don't cut the hair! Mr Talsania. Tudor you won the "best hair" silly award and could be the most laid back student I have ever had in my form.

Mrs Green

Jessic<mark>a Greer</mark>



So nice and funny and will miss laughing with you in art:) Megan. Such a nice and funny person! Nuray A huge contribution to the 7s Netball team. I hope you continue to play Netball alongside officiating it you've got a lot of potential and you're extremely patient with the younger Netball players. Mrs

Ouinnell-Clark

Zeina Hassan



The craziest cool cat in drama! And in my science lessons! Mr Talsania. I loved working with you in Alice as one of the Cheshire Cats! What an iconic character to complete your final year in EC Drama. Mrs Green

Mariam Kassem



I'll miss you in geography, it wont be the same without you :(- Abigail Thank you for all the netball officiating you have done over the past few years. Mrs Quinnell-Clark. Life will never be the same without Mariam in my class...... Mrs Hafiz

Dylan Marriot



Will miss Spanish with you! You're a cool kid! Megan Remember when you would always answer a question with WWJD? Even on test papers? Yeah, me too Lol!! Please don't come back to my room and sing - anything!!! Lol!! Good luck! Ms. Kalia. Dylan you won "most polite" silly award but is full deserved. You are a true gentleman. Mrs Green

Munira Mohd Fareq



You are so sweet! - Maneli
Thanks for your hard work and your amazing
highlighters! Miss Hancock
Amazing knitter and amazing artwork on displays Ms
Clark



Kaisan Ramzan



Don't push Mr Talsania around in science just cos he is a tiny electron... Mr Talsania . I am sure you are incredibly gutted that I can no longer harp on about commas and full stops? :'(Miss Gaskill. You no longer have to sit so close to my desk! Miss Papayiannis





One of the best students of my class!! Good luck for next year! Ms. Kalia. Abdul worked so hard! Such a lovely, polite student! Mrs Hafiz. An absolute pleasure to have in my form. Mrs Green

Zidan Sh<mark>amjith</mark>



An extremely hard w<mark>orking student and a</mark> delight to have in the class! Miss Braban Such a pleasure to have in the classroom! Well done for all your har<mark>d work! Miss Gaskill</mark>

Boris Strakhov



Funniest person i've ever met. You made every lesson we had together the best - abigail. Do you remember losing every argument in science with Mr T? I do! Mr Talsania . Bozza! I will miss telling you off for wearing designer trainers instead of school shoes! Mrs Green. Mr Negotiator in English! All the best, Miss Fazalan

Myckaella Zondi



You made me laugh all the time. Alaisha
Coolest person in town! Megan
Love our gossip sessions during lunch-times:) Shifa
You were a great addition to 11A. Mrs Green

Mrs Green



Ganna Abdelwahab



"Future President/Prime Minister. Show them how it's done! You're hilarious Alaisha A literal queen. Lithara. Mini queen!! Megan"

Muzammil Ahmed



Coolest weeb! Megan

Sean Almeida



We're ou<mark>t of cups! Sorry</mark> Seannny! Most <mark>chilled out person on</mark> D of E! <mark>Mr Talsania.</mark>

Gabriel Damirucut



A fellow Raptors fan!! A TRUE gentleman!! Class!! Ms. Kalia

Ermon Diriba



One of the most mature and kind students I know. Miss Ayre. Hermon or Ermon? I'm sorry - Ms Bagnall

Arvin Djassemi



My secret artist - Ms Bagnall

Jana El Shafie



"What aren't you good at??? Alaisha "Get out of my KITCHEN!!"" Sethara"

James Furness



My goto technical support. Sorry for all the BASIC questions! Ms Clark

Alexan<mark>der Halim</mark>



The one person who is even more sarcastic than I am - Ms BagnallComputing superstar. Mr Moran:

Shifa Khan



"So funny and love our interesting conversations! Lithara. he coolest person I know! Remember me when you're famous! Megan. Love your youtube channel! Monjola"

Daniel Mina



A true gentleman Ms Clark Always cuddling Ali! Keep smiling, Miss Fazalan!

Yusuf Mohamed Atif



Infectious smile Ms Clark
La tocfus a la towlia Mr Humphreys
Such a kind soul! And I second Ms Clark on the
infectious smile :-) Miss Gaskill

11B

Louis Newson



Should've gotten "the coolest hiker" award
AbigailYou remember when Louis left all the work
at home for D of E? Still cool? Yeah still pretty
cool! Mr Talsania My BFF - Ms Bagnall

Abdalla Salam



We had some good moments in physics! Mr TalsaniaThe neatest handwriting I have ever seen! Mr McMahon:

Sharif<mark>ah Syed Munawir</mark>



"Gordon Ramsey of EC So down to ea<mark>rth its amazing Nuray"</mark>

Viktor Vanmarsenille



Gonna be a good grandpa someday Louis Thank you for always putting a smile on my face:) Abigail. Coolest beatboxing note on D of E... Very impressive! Mr Talsania. My real BFF - Ms Bagnall

Ms Bagnall



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Aditya An<mark>and</mark>



Truly committed and dedicated in every task! Good luck for next year! Ms. Kalia. You remember asking me a million questions in and around school!? Keep asking more! Mr Talsania. Just all round lovely human, always ready to help a hand. Ms Ayre. Such a hardworking, lovely student! A class full of Aditya's would be a dream! Mrs Hafiz

Maia Avakian



"Can't decide whether u deserve most likely to become a model or mrs heart throb more Alaisha. Thoroughly enjoyed our laughing sessions! Lithara. You're so sweet! Thank you for always making me laugh Abigail"

Dana A<mark>zizi</mark>



Oh Dana, I have no words - Ms Bagnall

Alaisha Fernando



Still haven't paid me for being your therapist for three years Mutsa. Going to miss you a lot and our daily lunch covos Sethara. Soo fun to be around.Going to miss u! Lithara. Ripple Tank! Mr Edmonds. You're amazing Alaisha! I will really miss you :(Abigail. Will miss annoying fizza together :(. i will miss you sooooooo muchhhh!!! lots of lovee Fizza. Thanks for all the advice. Going to miss hearing you talk about lotus ice cream. Maia

Ninoosh Ghiaee



Nickolai! Miss having you in my science lessons! Mr Talsania

Amy Grand



"Enjoyed our tea spilling sessions and being your personal advisor. your welcome! Sethara. Our hilarious English lessons in yr 8. You're so sweet Lithara. Gonna miss complaining about Maths with you :(Shifa"

Tarek Hassanen



Distance Learning with you made it always sound like you were in space with NASA. Time to land and plan for the future! Good luck! Ms. Kalia. Tarek, apparently always the gentleman. Miss Papayiannis.

"FOND regards!" Miss Gaskill

Joshua H<mark>ooker</mark>



Will miss you falling asleep in Maths! Miss Hancock. Well done for being determined and getting through it all in the end! Miss Fazalan

E Jane Loo



Miss teaching you how to start a fire using a magnifying glass! Mr Talsania E-Jane - such a fantastic student! Mrs Hafiz

Lithara Luwishewa



"One of the nicest people i know:) Alaisha The kindest person I know Maia You're so sweet, I always love talking to you! Shifa"

Sethara Luwishewa



"I'm gonna miss the fun memories we made in French :) Mutsa going to miss you smm!! Alaisha I'll miss you so much! Megan You're always so fun to talk to :) Shifa"

Aisha Motara



I will miss our random conversations in Psychology.

Ms Clark. Such a lovely smile to come into my class
every Wednesday and Thursday! Good luck next year!

Ms. Kalia. Miss independent! Mr Moran.

Monjol<mark>a Oshinaike</mark>



Such a cool person! You're gonna be rich and famous! Megan"Let me check my schedule" Shifal LOVED reading your stories - I am sure I will see copies of your books on shelves at Magrudy's in the near future! Miss Gaskill

Megan See



"Statistics yuh!! Sethara. Enjoyed complaining about everything together! Alaisha. Had so fun with you in lessons, going to miss you Lithara"

Yuchen Pan



Extremely dedicated to his violin practice, almost practising as much as Mr Glover! You remember when you had to knock on my door and Fredrick would try and stop you! Mr Talsania

Mateo Xiol Fernandez Heinen



You will look back at D of E and think, woahh was I really like that? Good memories! Any time you need a beat let me know! Mr Talsania . Coolest kid at EC no doubt about it - Ms Bagnall.

Sam Ramudin



Very hard working and a true gent! (Minus the one comment I heard about Kylie Jenner!) Miss Gaskill.

Top 10 ways to get out of a detention.....Cant fault a boy for trying! Mr Moran

Mrs O'Reilly



Alwalid Al Nsour



Walid thanks for being a leader in Maths this year! Miss Hancock. Do you remember pushing Mr Talsania around in class because he was the tiny electron in the wire? Mr Talsania. I can't wait to meet Thalamus Al Nsour - Ms Bagnall

Priya Georgeakopoulos



Will miss the laughing sessions over nothing Nuray.
You remember D of E and how you were
inseparable from someone in your group!? Mr
Talsania. Heart of gold and lovely smile. Mrs Roberts

Ryan George



Thanks for the locker! so nice Nuray. My computer saviour with the patience of a saint!! Mrs Roberts. Never stop smiling! Mr Moran.

Khalid Gheyath



Thank you for completing such high quality coursework! Miss Braban. Such a quiet and thoughtful young man- Mrs Roberts

Kayriyah Glaissa



The heart and the head - Ganna. Form time was acctually decent because of you so thanks x Nuray. Amazing Art work, working so hard on it every tutor time. Mrs Roberts

Luka Kalodjera



Still my favourite student Ms Clark. How many embarrassing comments have you made during my science lessons Luka? Or even in a tent at night? You never know who is listening outside your tent! Mr Talsania

Tejas Ku<mark>mar</mark>



A lovely and pleasant student, thank you for being kind and hard working always! Miss Braban. Amazing work on your computer gaming skills:) Mrs Roberts. You stole the tarts! Best thief in Wonderland! Mrs Green

Aiden Lal



Most impressive sets of Psychology flashcards ever! Ms Clark. Thanks for teaching me to Ski Jump! Even if Mr Stilemen did have a few accidents! Miss Braban. The Rock must be due another movie?! Mr Moran!

Maria Lawton



Most talented person ik:) Sethara. Maria, Maria, Maria I just met a girl named Maria! Miss you in science! Mr Talsania. Such an amazing Alice, you work so hard Im so proud of you. Mrs Roberts. Going to miss you so much and sitting next to you in maths. Remember me when you're famous. Maia

Nuray Mammadova



"Wish we could've taken more pics in our after school photoshoots - Musta. Youre so loud i can hear you from the other classroom - Maneli" Chatter box lol you put a smile on my face every day. Mrs Roberts

Luke McGowan



Always a gentleman and a pleasure to have in lessons. Good luck! Ms. Kalia. You never fail to make me laugh, apart from when you make me angry, lol - Ms Bagnall

Aiden Morrison



You remember doing some work in physics right? I remember burning wires! Mr Talsania. King of multiple choice choice quizzes, I will hopefully never hear that sound effect ever again. Mr Moran



Sana Ramzan



You were really nice and smart! Alaisha. I loved working with you this year - you are incredibly dedicated and have such a sweet nature. I have very high hopes for you! Miss Gaskill. You're a really nice and sweet person:) - Lithara

Mahan Razaei



A true gentleman! Good luck with everything - Miss Papayiannis. Fantastic effort and commitment from a polite and dedicated young man! Miss Fazalan.

lya Seys



lya- I wouldn't change you one bit, it was lovely getting to know you! Miss Hancock. You remember talking about go karting and explaining that with passion?! Do that with everything in life! Mr Talsania. Iya, it's been such a pleasure getting to know you this year. I enjoy our chats. Ms Ayre.

Marko Stamenic



A definite pleasure to have in class! Good luck next year! Ms. Kalia. You know its true that Mr T would beat you at badminton with his eyes closed right? Mr Talsania. Great student to have in the class, just don't ask him to do any work. Mr Moran

Aya Thabet



Most improved student, without a doubt. Ms Clark. Lovely to see you work with the younger students in netball! Ms Ayre

Javad Yazdi



Javad, thanks for the random laughs in Maths this year! Miss Hancock. I'll miss the crazy questions about random science! Mr Talsania. Stay curious Javad! Good luck next year! Miss Fazalan



Mrs Roberts



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Maneli Abbassi



Always having to remind you what sad is in French!!

Mutsa. dumbest person I've ever met..will miss you

xx Nuray. ooof the teaaa. Best french accent in

Drama! Mrs Green

Frederik Baier



Let's hope you fly better than you play chess. Mr Harrison. Make sure you stop Yuchen from knocking on my door! Mr Talsania.

Fizza Bhatporia



Enjoyed teaching you dances in our after school tiktok sesssions Musta. Going to miss you one of the craziest ppl ik Alaisha. Soo funny. Couldn't have survived geo w/o you Lithara. Will miss our hilarous laughing sessions in school and the gossips were immaculate Nuray. I don't like pizza party without you. Keep smiling Gorgeous. Ms Awad.

Jack Bradbury



Sorry for making you blush nost lessons! Ms Clark. Never forget how important footwear is when doing D of E! Mr Talsania. Such a lovely student! Mrs Hafiz.

Abigail Doyle



Your laugh is soo contagious Alaisha. Best smile ever! Will miss making fun of Boris' marks in physics! Thank you for making DofE bearable - Ms Bagnall. Can't believe I've know you since year 1. Thanks for always making me laugh:). Maia

Sarrah Ebrahimji



Thank you for making science lessons the best! and always thinking about me:) you're so sweet Abigail. You remember arguing in science over the little things? I'll miss that! Mr Talsania. A very nice human. Nuray

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Ali Elsadek



I miss you, Ali. Ms Clark. Stop pushing Mr T around in physics... He is only little! Mr Talsania. Ali, I hope you have cut your hair by now! Miss Hancock. Always cuddling Daniel! Keep smiling, Miss Fazalan!

Daniel Fernandes Jones



#Brazil'sHeadOfMarketing Mutsa. 21 - Maneli. The life and soul of History, thank you for looking after Aya. Mrs Roberts. 1 mark away every time! Mrs Hafiz

Theophile Guillet



Definitely a bigger boss than Suhayl when it came to carrying the tent... Don't tell him. Mr Talsania Always with a polite smile and good morning!

Miss Ayre

Lucy Hardman



Your positivity always makes me smile. Ms Clark. So many memories in science and D of E! Will miss having a scouser accent around! Mr Talsania. Thanks for braiding my hair on DofE, you stopped me from look like a grease ball - Ms Bagnall

Olivia Hurst



Miss having you in science! Mr Talsania. So impressed we ever managed to get a performance together with the amount of bathroom breaks! Remember the moment that you pointed out that when I get excited I teach with my hands and on my tiptoes?! Miss Papayiannis.

Mutsa Kambarami



Love the memories we made in lessons! Sethara. Funniest person ik Alaisha. I hope you enjoy studying FANY in the future in history Lucy. Hands down one of the funniest people ik Nuray

Darya M<mark>alakouti</mark>



Be careful how you spell organisms! Ms Clark. Have more confidence in your abilities! You're great. Miss Gaskill.

Jamie M<mark>cCulloch</mark>



Thank you for entertaining me and driving me mad in chemistry - Lucy. Ahh the fun, trying to get you to be quiet in History. Mrs Roberts.

Muaiad Mohamed



Tuck in your shirt, where is your book, where is your homework? Mr Talsania. Mo-Aye-Id, good attitude and always smiling, when in attendance.... Mr Moran

Luke Rutland



Such a gentleman! Going to miss teaching you Luke :(
Miss Khatun. Thanks for always making fun of my
outfit choices - Ms Bagnall. What a year Luke, what a
year!!! Mrs Hafiz.

Ella Van Beek



You showed true determination this year! Well done for all your hard work - Miss Gaskill. Such a talented actress! Mrs Green.

Shadi Wahb



"Miss, why do we have to study English?" Noooo! Miss Gaskill. "I thought I only needed Physics and Maths?" Being serious though Shadi, well done for your hard work - Miss Ayre.

Isabel Walne



Good luck next year and remember to walk slower Mutsa. Thank you for always putting a smile on my face. I'll miss you :(Abigail. I'll miss you and scooby - Maneli. Miss having you in science! Mr Talsania.

Ella White



You are a boss at Sp<mark>anish, Abigail. Amazing Artist</mark> and Historian the b<mark>est student ever. Mrs Roberts.</mark>

Alimkhan Zhanaladin



Miss having you in science and not handing in homework! Mr Talsania. I thoroughly enjoyed your enthusiastic thumbs up/dab after each answer you gave, even if it was technically wrong...! Miss Gaskill. Thanks for keeping me sane, most of the time. Mr Moran.

Mrs Haias



SPORTS













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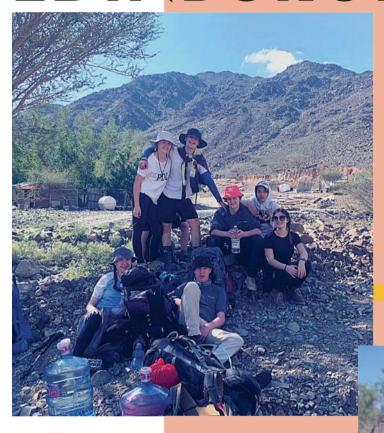








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PERFORMANCES











WELL-BEING TRIP









OTHER SPECIAL MEMORIES

ABOVE AND BEYOND

Lucy Hardman and Aya Thabet in Year 11 have created a blog for their Psychology project - 'Coping with Mental Health during COVID-19'. We think it is an amazing project, please read and share: https://bit.ly/2VZ8FqE منظلات المنطقة الشاء المنطقة المن





Core Values Our Year 11D students Iya and Aya started working on this very inspiring video before the Distance Learning and finished it remotely, excellent work!!

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And we have our first entry for Mrs Nejmah's challenge to talk about Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) mercy: here is Ganna Yr 11, challenging Menna Yr 9 and Janna & Sharifa Yr 11... وقع ■#TheEnglishCollegeDubai #DistanceLearning #LoveLearning #InthisTogetherDubai #WeAreEC #StayHomeStaySafe والتتمية البشرية KHDA

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MR NICE GUY MRS NICE GUY

Viktor Vanmarsenille



Maia Avakian



MOST LIKELY TO BE A BILLIONAIRE



Aditya Anand Ganna Abdelwahab



MOST LIKELY TAKE OVER THE WORLD

Luke McGowan



Mutsa Kambarami



PROM AWARDS

BIGGEST HEARTTHROB

Joshua Hooker



Hannah Bokelman



CLASS CLOWN (FUNNIEST)

Boris Strakhov



Nuray Mammadova



MOST LIKELY TO BE A REALITY TV STAR

Jamie McCulloch



Lucy Hardman



PROM AWARDS

MOST LIKELY TO WIN AN OLYMPIC MEDAL

Luka Kalodjera



Ella Van Beek



MOST LIKELY TO MARRY
THEIR HIGHSCHOOL
SWEETHEART

Luke Rutland

Priya Georgakopoulos





PROM AWARDS





LOOKING BACK

How we have grown









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