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Young Musicians'
Bursary

PYMB WINNERS FACT FILE

MATTHEW HODSON – SAXOPHONE



Age – 18

Where do you study? Ilkley Grammar School and JRNCM. Next year I am going to the RNCM.

What is your hometown? Ilkley

Favourite performer and why? I think my favourite performer would be between Billie Eilish and Jacob Collier as they both perform with 100% energy every single time and clearly show emotion through their music and clearly take huge enjoyment from performing.

Favourite piece of music to play? Probably Demersseman's Fantaisie Impromptu for Classical Saxophone. And for Jazz Saxophone, I absolutely love playing Strasburg St. Denis by Roy Hargrove. It's hard to choose a favourite piece as I have many, but these I take great enjoyment out of them playing them!

Do you play any more musical instruments? Yes! I play the piano and sing.

What do you like to do in your spare time? I love to Mountain bike on the lovely Ilkley Moor!

What question do you hate to answer? Am I right in saying the Saxophone is a Brass Instrument?

What type of music do you listen to (style, genre, artist)? I listen to any genre/style really! I love to listen to rock, pop, jazz, funk, CCM, Classical music, Metal, Rap, Hip Hop. The main artists I'd say I listen to are Headache, Billie Eilish, Jacob Collier, Kanye West, Elevation Worship, Lower Than Atlantis, Snarky Puppy, Maceo Parker.

What cheers you up? Making music, being with my friends and family.

Wet the toothbrush or brush dry with the toothpaste? Wet the toothbrush every single time, I don't think I've ever brushed my teeth with a dry toothbrush.