

Life after Steiner

Joe McCormick
Former student – Holywood Steiner School, County Down

"I attended Holywood Steiner School from kindergarten up to class 11. I now work in the London office of an international law firm, where I specialise in international commercial dispute resolution. I loved my 12 years at HSS and still feel very close to the school, the teachers, the grounds and my fellow students, many of whom are still my closest friends.

My attitude and approach to life has been very much shaped by my education. It taught me to push myself, to question traditional power structures, and to value a sense of community and purpose. These are things that have assisted me immensely in life and in my job as a lawyer, where you have to question everything and assume nothing."

Dr Beth Gilham
Former student – York Steiner School

"I attended York Steiner School from kindergarten all the way through to class 8. After class 8 I went to All Saints School where I completed my GCSEs. I decided to take a year out before taking A-Levels so I decided to learn a second language. I went to live with a family in Schwäbisch Hall where I attended the Steiner School for a year and achieved my main objective of learning German!

Back in the UK, I studied medicine at the University of Sheffield and have just graduated. I have a position as a doctor in the South Yorkshire region starting in August."

Cordelia Bryan
The Higher Education Academy

"In a fast and ever-changing world we cannot be sure of anything. Ultimately we must rely on our own inner strength to guide us. Any education system that both espouses and demonstrates a methodical and innovative development of well-adjusted, freethinking human beings has got to be worth considering."

Joseph Harrington
Former student – Rudolf Steiner School, Kings Langley

"I owe a great deal of what I currently do to my Steiner education. I run an organisation that supports local and central government to transform the way they work. The creative and positive outlook that my Steiner education gave me, allows me to engage my role of head of design and help other organisational leaders in new and refreshing ways."

Julian Mincham
Former lecturer – Middlesex University London

"For some years I was responsible for admissions to performance arts courses. I established an informal rule that all applicants from Steiner schools would be interviewed and I found that we always offered these students a place. They invariably did well on the degree programmes, some achieving a first class honours classification. We found them always to be 'interesting' individuals, good mixers with attractive personalities."

