

British Alumni Society 2018



BAS Annual General Meeting,
British Embassy in Warsaw, 19th of December 2018

Highlights of 2018



April 2018

9th edition of the BAS
Scholarship Competition;
30 students were interviewed
and 15 places awarded in UK
boarding schools.

We run the scholarship
programme under the patronage
of the Graduate School of Social
Research and British and
Cambridge Society of Poland
Responsible for this project are:
Marzena Reich and John Fells



June 2018

The Best Teacher of English of the Year Award was announced at the Royal Castle. The winner was Mr Adam Stępiński.

He received a statuette and a week's stay at Mayfield School. There were also two runners-up: Jolanta Gradowska and Michał Siwkowski.

This competition is run in a partnership with the Oxford University Press.

Responsible for this project are: Grzegorz Nawrocki and John Fells



June 2018

The occasion was more festive
by subsequent finale of Oxford
debates of the season.

The motion was:

*Imagination is more important
than knowledge*



June 2018

The winners of a new Competition: „Great Poles” were also awarded on the same day.

Great Poles is a Young Talent Management project in which school students develop an English language website dedicated to outstanding Poles. This project runs in partnership with Oxford University Press

www.greatpoles.pl



June 2018

BAS participated in the European Financial Congress in Sopot as a partner of EFC Academy.

Thanks to BAS 20 Polish students from UK universities may participate in this high profile event every year.

Several BAS scholars received essay competition prizes.

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June 2018

15 latest scholars received commemorative diplomas from Jenny Simms from the British Council in Warsaw. The number of BAS Scholars



August 2018

University Destinations of BAS scholars.

- Oxford University,
- Imperial College,
- New York University Abu Dhabi,
- University of Exeter,
- University of St. Andrews,
- UCL,
- Medical Universities in Poland.



November 2018

The next edition of the
BAS Scholarship
Competition was
announced.

11 places in 8 schools are
confirmed so far.



Licealista!
Przeżyj wielką
przygodę!

Pojedź na dwa lata
do angielskiej szkoły
z internatem
i zdaj tam maturę.



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November 2018

BAS had a stand at the British Council Education Fair in Cracov and Warsaw. Skype teleconferences with our scholars studying at UK Universities were popular as always. John Fells arranges the Logistics and BAS Scholars answer questions about studying in UK



To come in 2019

Chevening Alumni Event in 2019 will be held in Poland. It will be associated with Wilton Park conference. BAS will be a partner in this event.

Wilton Park is an executive agency of the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



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Best 25 under 25 in Forbes

Forbes January 2019
publishes a list of the
brightest young Poles – 25
under 25. Three BAS
associated names are on
this list; connection being
EFC Academy, debates or
simply BAS scholarships.

Congratulations!



Regular Activities in 2018



Oxford Debating

There were two streaks:

- Academic Debates with VIP guest speakers held at Warsaw University
- „Impact” Debates with all VIP teams held at Teatr Polski (Debaty „Zderzenia”)

Responsible for this project is Grzegorz Nawrocki



Oxford Debating

Some key speakers of the Debates:

- Jan Hartman
- Krzysztof Meissner
- Jacek Kleiff
- Jan Ordyński
- Jan Wróbel
- Olga Lipińska
- Monika Płatek
- Andrzej Paczkowski

and many others.



BAS Book Club

This was seventh year of the BAS Book Club. We met every month to talk about books suggested by our members. We run this group jointly with a Reading Group connected to the Anglican Parish in Warsaw.

Responsible for this project are: Rev. David Brown and Marzena Reich



British Council Ticket giveaways

Every month BAS received free tickets for productions of British Theatres on screen, courtesy of the British Council. They were advertised on BAS Facebook page on the first come first served basis.

Responsible for this project is Marta Reich.



Ladies and Gentlemen's Club

This is a *by invitation only* club with the objective of discussing current affairs in English. We meet once a month in Warsaw cafes.

This is the moment to thank Richard Washington for his excellent moderation.

Responsible for this project are: Marta Reich.



Young Talent Management

YTM had its own very busy agenda. It centred around practicing public speaking by students of middle and secondary schools. Around those sessions several activities were built: Media Crew, Debates' Crew, Junior Ladies and Gentlemen Club and others. The newest project is Great Poles.

YTM reaches nearly 100 students.

Responsible for this project is Jolanta Kulik



Open Meetings

From time to time a social meeting was announced on the BAS Facebook pages. We aim to meet at least once every quarter, choosing locations which we find most suitable for the particular time of the year.

Responsible for this project are: Marcin Świder and Marta Reich



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Our search for sponsors

Our main sponsor remains The British Council and Oxford University Press.

During 2018 the Board worked hard on identification of potential new sponsors. Our Business Advisor, Mr Ray Tomecki, negotiated with several big, mostly international, companies. Unfortunately, no big successes to report but we hope for small ones soon.

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4. We earned 500 PLN since last AGM but this could be improved.





Merry Christmas !