## **GAP YEAR AWARDS 2017-18**

## **Rules and Conditions**

- 1. Awards of between £1,000 and £2,500 are available annually to four Stoics who, in the opinion of the judges, submit the most constructive proposals for the use of the Gap Year between leaving Stowe and going to university.
- 2. All Stoics in the Upper Sixth Form are eligible.
- 3. The successful applicants will be judged according to the following criteria:
  - the quality and maturity of the proposal
  - the quality of the arguments in support of the activity and its perceived benefits
  - the range and quality of the benefits expected to the applicant and, if relevant, to Stowe, the Old Stoic Society and society in general

## 4. Timetable:

Proposals, submitted on the official application form, should reach Mr Righton no later than **Monday 19 February**. The application form is available on the HE and Careers section of the VLE, under 'Gap Year'.

The winners of the awards will be notified individually before the end of the Lent term.

The Gap Year starts in the summer.

An illustrated presentation must be made to the Sixth Form at Stowe in the Michaelmas term immediately following the Gap Year (usually within the first two weeks of the commencement of term) and an article about the Gap Year experience written for *The Stoic*.

- 5. Payment of each award will be made in two instalments:
  - half at the presentation of the award
  - half on the fulfilment of the obligations specified in item 4 above in the autumn following the Gap Year
- 6. The amount and payment of the awards are entirely at the discretion of the judges.
- 7. Application forms may be obtained from Mr Righton who will be pleased to answer queries and offer advice.

