

## Reflection

First of all I would like to thank the Annapolis and Anne Arundel Scholarship Trust, Mr. Broddie, and Mr. Etherington for making this extraordinary experience possible. I met a lot of amazing people and took a liking to multiple things. My first flight was terrifying and the idea of me leaving Maryland. I kept asking my parents to cancel the trip but they made me follow through with it. After the first flight, Kihanna and I were a bit confused but managed to find our connecting flight. The second flight was way worse than the first because the landing was bumpy (lol).

Another moment I wasn't used to, was the car's steering wheel being on the right side instead of the left and driving on the left side of the road. The house I was living in was Duffus and all the guys and house parents were nice. I walked into my room and it was so nice, I kicked off my shoes and jumped in the bed.

Fast forward to the important moments, the food at Gordonstoun was great, especially the breakfast and dessert. Every time I enter a conversation they speak their homeland language and I was like I'm going to go home and study as many languages as I can. I went on a shopping spree searching for souvenirs however I could only find keychain accessories as the best souvenir. Disco night was pretty good but it got hot very quickly. Paintball was fun but I wasn't that good at it. The activities at Gordonstoun were very entertaining especially the inter-clan battles, it got so competitive. Netball was probably my favorite sport activity.

I sang a solo not only once but twice for my color group and during the final dinner. There I chose was a fitting song, "End of the Road" by Boyz II Men. As the final dinner was coming to an end everybody started crying including me. The ride and flight back to Maryland was depressing knowing I won't be able to see them in a couple of years. My time there was

great and once again I appreciate the Annapolis and Anne Arundel Scholarship Trust for giving me the opportunity to travel abroad and attend the Gordonstoun Summer Institute where apparently I play piano most of the time and try my best to learn multiple languages.

Sincerely,

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