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HSBC Malta sponsored PTI Achieve Malta Awards winners announced

The winners of the first edition of the PTI Achieve Malta Awards have been announced in three categories: PTI Achieve Student Award, PTI Achieve Educator Award and PTI Achieve Project Award. The HSBC Malta Foundation, which has supported the Prince's Trust International Achieve programme run by the Ministry for Education's Directorate for Learning and Assessment Programmes since its launch in Malta, also sponsored these awards.

Yasmin Micallef, from St Margaret College Learning Support Centre Cospicua, has been named as the winner of the PTI Achieve Malta Student Award 2021. Daniela DeBono, from St Jeanne Antide College Immaculate Conception Secondary School Tarxien, has been named as the winner of the PTI Achieve Malta Educator Award 2021.

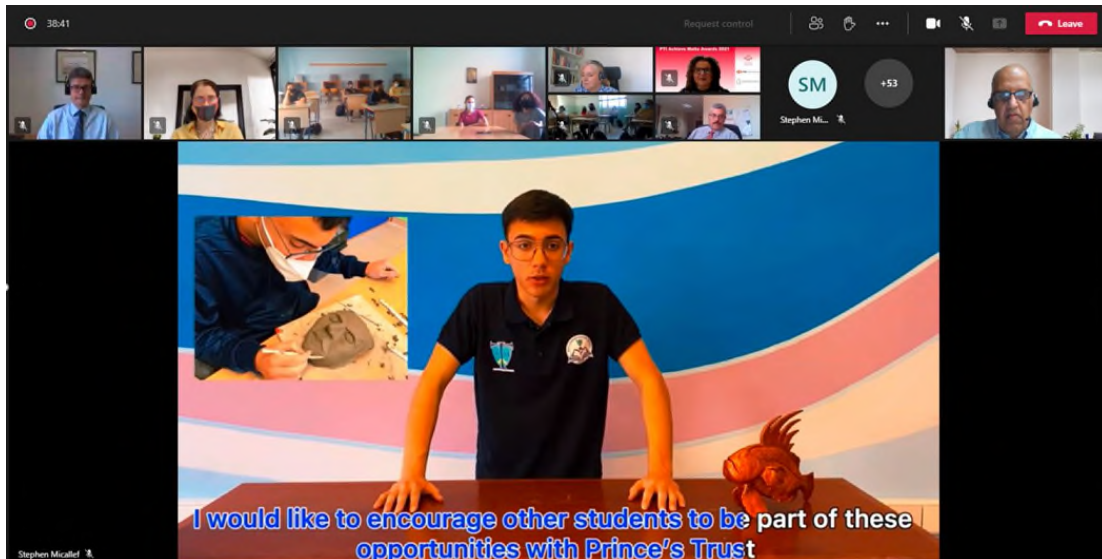
In the PTI Achieve Malta Project Award 2021, three projects have been named as the top finishers. St Benedict College Secondary School Kirkop finished in the first place with their project 'Gulepp, Olive Oil, Carob pastries and Apple Shavings Hamper'. St Thomas More College Learning Support Centre Hamrun's project entitled 'John Dory Fish by Luke Jones' finished in the second place and the project of St Ignatius College Secondary School Handaq called 'Outdoor Learning and Relaxation Area' finished in the third place.

Simon Vaughan Johnson, Chief Executive Officer at HSBC Malta, said: "The HSBC Malta Foundation is proud to be part of this flourishing initiative in which 54 schools, over 200 educators and more than 1,000 students have now participated over the past six years. Thanks to these awards, we have also celebrated students, educators and several excellent school projects. Well done to all the participants, nominees and winners and our sincere thanks to the fantastic team supporting the Achieve Programme in Malta."

Maureen Amoroso, Education Officer for PTI Achieve within the Ministry for Education, said: "These awards celebrate the achievements of our school communities. Promoting innovative project practices in schools and educational centres that strengthen effective student engagement in gaining Achieve skills, has been an important mission for us, and we would like to thank the HSBC Malta Foundation for their support towards our cause."

Will Straw, Chief Executive Officer of Prince's Trust International, said, "We're very proud that Malta was the first country to introduce Achieve in schools in 2015. Since then, Achieve has helped support over 1,000 young people in Malta, including Katriel Zahra, regional winner of Prince's Trust Global Award this year. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers and schools who have embraced the way in which Achieve should be delivered with some amazing projects throughout the year, and also to thank the HSBC Malta Foundation for their support throughout the programme. Finally, but most importantly, I want to congratulate all of the winners and wish them the best of luck for the future."

PTI Achieve is a personal development and employability skills programme that complements all other subjects in the vocational and applied route. The programme emphasises activities such as teamwork, discussions, and hands-on practical exercises, as well as outdoor activities. Performance in the PTI Achieve programme is assessed via portfolios and evidence of tasks completed in class throughout the scholastic year in a variety of forms such as written, digital, audio, video and visual.



Caption: Screen grabs of the online event announcing the PTI Achieve Malta Awards winners which was sponsored by the HSBC Malta Foundation

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