

Amelia Roberts (L 13)

Amelia Florence Astley Roberts was born 3rd July 1997. She was the middle sister to Lily (L 11) and Kitty (L 16) and Granddaughter of Timothy Roberts (WB 46). Amelia joined Uppingham, as did both her sisters for the Sixth Form.

The decision to go to a boarding school was an exciting one as Uppingham was co-ed. unlike Abbots Hill a lovely girls' school in Hertfordshire.

Amelia embraced the opportunity with gusto and quickly got stuck into school life, from the security of the Lodge and made many friends.

She got involved with theatre productions back stage, politics trips to Washington DC, the Chapel Choir including their tour of Asia and the Lacrosse team where she ended up with the captaincy of the School XII.

She loved her singing and lacrosse taking her passion for the latter with her to University where she was also team captain.

She completed her gold Duke of Edinburgh award whilst at the School. She packed a huge amount into her life at Uppingham, all whilst studying for her A' levels.

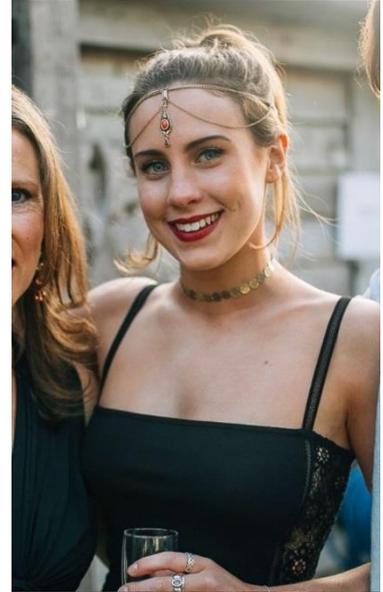
In her gap year she took herself to the jungles of Borneo with Raleigh International where she helped erect solar panels for a village and build a suspension bridge across a ravine. She was really proud that she didn't have a bath for three months!

Amelia was a very funny, kind, gentle, passionate and hardworking girl. She mixed with everyone and avoided cliques. She had a penchant for dressing up in fancy dress costumes at parties, the more outrageous the outfit the better.

Her arrival at Uppingham coincided with the diagnosis of epilepsy. The School were incredibly supportive as we all (in conjunction with her medical team) attempted to bring her fits under control with the use of drugs.

Stephan and Kyi Muller were house parents of the Lodge whilst she was in the Lower Sixth, handing over to Alex and Kate Boyd-Williams for the Upper Sixth. As a family we'd like to thank them all for the love and support they gave Amelia as she tried to get to grips with her condition.

Amelia wasn't embarrassed about her condition, and never complained, despite the drugs greatly affecting her ability to concentrate.



Amelia managed to secure a place at Portsmouth University studying Criminology. Whilst at university she managed to keep in touch with her Uppingham friends despite great distances between their respective universities.

She was a happy, plucky, selfless girl of whom we were immensely proud. She was greatly loved by many and clearly had an effect on anyone she met. People loved trying to keep up with her as she rambled through a long story that could have been told in a quarter of the time!

She died suddenly at home on 20th December 2018. We are thankful that she didn't suffer and was with her family. Amelia left her brain to the Epilepsy Society for research.



In Amelia's memory, the family are raising money for the Epilepsy Society, please [click here](#) for details.