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Young engineers win award recognition

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TWO students from Kings College in Guildford were crowned winners at the GASP Motor Project Awards on Tuesday, October 14.

Callum Powell and Dan Norris received awards at the presentation evening at the McLaren Technology Centre, near Woking.

The boys became involved in GASP's motor projects following the introduction of an after school course which began in September last year.

Callum Powell won the Skills Development Award and Dan Norris won the GASP Role Model Award.

GASP CEO Andy Finch said: "Over the last two years

GASP has built an exceptionally strong working relationship with Kings College in Guildford.

"It is always on hand when we need someone to help showcase what we do and that included a visit from HRH The Duke of Kent.

"Kings College was also the guinea pig for our fledgling after school course, which started in September 2013.

"That first course was delivered via our mobile unit and that is when we first met Callum Powell and Dan Norris.

"From the very first session Callum Powell stood out as he had obviously worked on engines before and he was keen as mustard to learn



King's College

Dan Norris is presented with his award.

more, and to develop his skills.

"He was invariably the first to start - and the last to finish. Always working, always engaged.

"Like Callum, Dan Norris could be considered a GASP stalwart. He has an excellent understanding and knowledge of mechanics.

Out of the 170 young people who worked at the GASP Motor Project sessions, 15 were put forward for the top awards.

After the presentations, the prizewinners and their guests enjoyed a once-in-a-lifetime boulevard tour of the McLaren Technology and Production Centre and got to pose with one of the latest McLaren Formula One cars.