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## Wiltshire Students holds European and World Record Title

**Aidan Granger, student at Royal Wootton Bassett Academy has set his first ever speedcubing record. On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November, Aidan became the national and European record holder for the Megaminx, a dodecahedron puzzle apart of the Rubik's cube family.**

His record of 31.41 second average shots left him not only as a European record holder but also 9<sup>th</sup> fastest in the world. The school is celebrating his triumphant win, over 200,000 competitive speedcubers took part in the official World Cube Association competition.

Aidan had said "I'm really proud to achieve this record because it is something I have been trying to achieve for a long time now. It is such a joy and relief after so many fails in competitions and I'm hoping in the future that I can further improve this record and break the world record. With my exams coming up, I may need to practice a little less, however, it does relax me, and it helps to think so I will just keep it up."



Anita Ellis, Headteacher at Royal Wootton Bassett Academy went on to say "When we received the email, I felt it important to champion Aidan's efforts, especially when so many like me would not even know what it is. I had to research Megaminx and I was doubly impressed. All of us at Royal Wootton Bassett Academy are incredibly proud of Aidan for the hard work and dedication to receive his title."

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