

## **Press Release**

### **The Buckingham School - A Level Results**

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Students, parents and staff at The Buckingham School gathered today to celebrate A Level results.

The overall APS (Average Point Score) has improved again academically. We are very pleased with the extremely good results achieved in Psychology, History, Photography, Philosophy & Ethics and the newly introduced Extended Project.

BTEC qualification results are outstanding, with the following subjects all achieving Distinction to Distinction\* (D-D\*) grades, above the National average; BTEC Business, Health & Social Care, IT, Law, Science and Sport.

Headteacher, Miss Wells comments, "We are very pleased with another set of good, improving results. I would like to congratulate students for their hard work, determination and commitment to their studies." A number of students who have gained remarkable results include -

- Devon Griffiths – gained B grades in A Level English Literature, Philosophy & Ethics, Psychology and a Distinction\* grade in BTEC Law. Devon is now going to Liverpool University to study Psychology
- William Griffiths – gained an A grade in Art, A grade in Photography and B in English Literature
- Billy Hayden – gained a B in English Literature, C in History and Distinction\* grades in BTEC Business and Law. Billy is now going to Newcastle University to study Law
- Aidan O’Sullivan – gained a B in Psychology and Distinction\* grades in BTEC Law and Science. He is now starting an Apprenticeship at Bucks University
- Ryan Weatherley – gained a Distinction\* in BTEC Sport and C grades in Psychology, Philosophy & Ethics and History and will be studying History at Southampton
- Lucy MacAleese – gained a Distinction\* in BTEC Science, an A grade in Psychology and C in Biology. Lucy will be studying Biomedical Science at Coventry University.

The school is celebrating another year with 55% of its cohort students moving on to university including the Russell Group. Alongside this, it is also very encouraging to see several students achieving local Apprenticeship scheme placements. Apprenticeships are a fantastic alternative to university, a great way to start building the foundations of a young person’s chosen career path. This year, we have 12 students taking this exciting pathway with students gaining placements at Bucks University, Jaguar Landrover and The Curve Group (HR and Management Consultancy).

In addition to the academic successes, our Year 13's leaving us have made a significant contribution to the cultural life of The Buckingham School and have been, influential role models for younger students. Our Sports Leadership students co-ordinated events such as the Schools Games Festival as part of their Level 3 Sports Leadership Award demonstrating their positive attitude when mentoring others. Our Schools Sports Partnership is highly regarded and The Buckingham School is the hub for 43 primary feeder schools.

We thank all students for their contribution to school life and wish them every success for the future.

Miss Wells would also like to thank all staff for their hard work, and parents for their continued support.

The school's Centre of Further Education is a dedicated Post 16 Centre providing a vibrant, exciting learning environment for students to succeed. The Post 16 curriculum is wide, with a variety of traditional academic A Levels and vocational BTEC qualifications, as well as a breadth of enrichment opportunities beyond the classroom.

For those Year 11 students who are undecided on their Post 16 education pathway, there are still a few places available for the 2017/18 academic year. If you are interested, please contact [kbones@buckinghamschool.org](mailto:kbones@buckinghamschool.org)