

Press Release

The Buckingham School – GCSE Results

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The Buckingham School is today celebrating its GCSE results.

This is the first cohort of students to decipher a mix of letters and numbers in their results. English Language, English Literature and Maths are the first subjects graded from 9 to 1, with 9 being the highest grade. For most other subjects including the Sciences, new grades will come into force in 2018, with others following in 2019. During the two-year transition, students will receive a mixture of letter and number grades. The reformed GCSE content is more challenging with fewer grade 9's being awarded than A*s, and the first to rely solely on exams rather than coursework.

The subjects which have performed well include English, Computer Science, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, History and PE.

The percentage of students gaining three or more A*-A / 9-7 grades (or equivalent) has increased to 17% which is above the national average for a secondary modern. The strongest outcomes were in Chemistry, Physics, Biology, PE, Computer Science, History, Spanish and ICT.

Individual student successes this year include:-

- Charlotte Brunt achieved an amazing ten A*-A (equivalent) grades, including a grade 9 in English, grade 7 in Maths, four A* and four A grades
- George Wildman gained a fantastic nine A*-A (equivalent) grades. He achieved a grade 8 in English Language, grade 8 in Maths, a 7 in English Literature, one A*, five A grades and two B's
- Holly Burnham gained eight A*-A (equivalent) grades, including a grade 7 in English and in Maths, two A*s, four A's and two B grades
- George Battersby gained eight A*-A (equivalent) grades, including a grade 8 in Maths, a 7 in English Language and Literature, an A*, four A's and three B grades
- Yu Ting Khoo gained a grade 8 in English Language, a grade 7 English Literature and in Maths, an A*, three A's and four B grades.
- Lily-Rose Fisher gained a grade 8 in Maths, an A*, four A's and three B's
- Thomas Humphreys gained a grade 8 in Maths, an A*, three A's and four B grades

Headteacher, Miss Wells comments, "We would like to congratulate all students on their hard work and commitment to their learning. Our students are supported by a very dedicated teaching, pastoral support team and parents. We thank you all for your ongoing support.

As well as being hard working, our Year 11s have been involved in all other aspects of school life, including taking on senior student leadership and ambassador positions, participating in Duke of Edinburgh Awards, Sports, the Performing Arts and Charity work.”

Many of our Year 11 students have applied to The Buckingham School’s Centre of Further Education (CFE) for their Post 16 education. We look forward to welcoming these and other students from other schools in September 2017.

The Centre of Further Education creates a fantastic learning environment for students to succeed. The Post 16 offering is wide, with a variety of academic and vocational courses. 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

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