

Best results for years – class of 2018 celebrate excellent GCSE success



Pupils at Castle School were thrilled to collect their exam results this week and discover that between them they had amassed an impressive set of passes. In contrast to the national average which showed a drop of 1%, students improved on their already impressive average of 90%, collectively gaining 94% passes at grades A* - C.

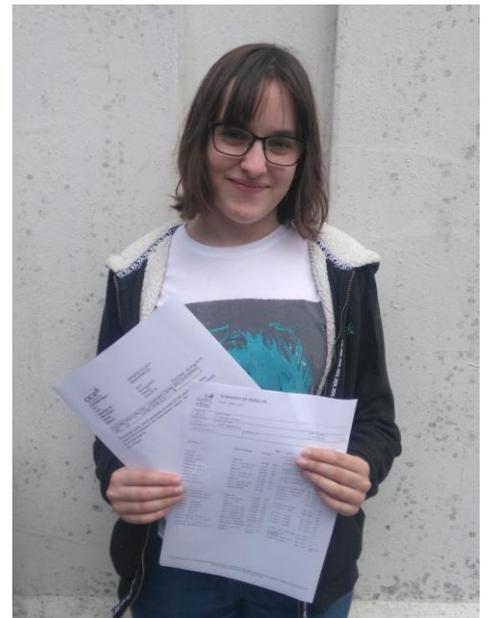
Many of the students in year 10 were encouraged to sit some exams early in those subjects they had been prepared for and were similarly rewarded, with their results reflecting the school's overall average.

Su Cowell remarked 'these results are even more remarkable when you compare us with the national

average of 61% and take into consideration that we are a non-selective school. The pupils are to be congratulated on their impressive results. They worked extremely hard and all their revision and efforts have been rewarded. Credit must also go to our staff, of course, who worked tirelessly to ensure that every pupil has the best chance of not only passing but also securing the best grade they are capable of.'



Whilst all the pupils are to be congratulated, particular mention should go to Lucy Mansfield who has now amassed an incredible total of 14 GCSEs, with 11 A*s, 2 As and an even more impressive 100% in her Additional Maths exam which included A level material. Teachers were also delighted that two-thirds of their scientists gained either A or A* in all three subjects, as did the class taking Latin.



Harriet Harrison, added, 'I am delighted to see that despite being non-selective we strive to fulfil each child's potential and about half of our students take nine or more subjects at GCSE with some of them studying 11, 12, even 14, and still manage to get such impressive results. In addition several of our students enrolled on an accelerated programme in maths, having already earned the top grade last year. It was fantastic to see that they all gained Distinction in the tougher Additional Maths GCSE with one of them getting full marks, which is incredible.'

As the school reaches its 10th anniversary next year, it has many plans to celebrate and hopes that one of those reasons will include another record-breaking set of results.