

# Examination Results 2017

## A Level

We are delighted with our A Level results again this year and it has been wonderful to see so many of our students progress to their desired further study or employment route. The recent changes to A Level have been challenging and have caused a level of uncertainty for this cohort of students. They have met the challenge admirably and have reaped the rewards of all their hard work and that of their teachers.

This year saw the first completely linear examinations for our A Level students, who passed in every one of their subjects. In addition, for a large number of subjects this was the first year of examination of the new courses and so it is difficult to make like for like comparisons with results from last year.

At A Level 28% of the grades achieved by students are A\* and A grades. 58% of the grades attained by students are A\*, A or B and 85% of the grades are A\* - C. 100% of all entries are A\*- E passes. 11 girls achieved all A\* and A grades.

At AS there has been a significant decrease in the number of entries both at Hitchin Girls' and nationally, due to the changes to A Level and students sitting the 2 year course in most subjects. For this reason we are no longer reporting overall AS results.

## GCSE

At GCSE our students have risen to the challenge and demands of the new GCSE specifications and achieved exceptional results overall. Our P8 score of 0.8 places us in the top 3 schools in Hertfordshire and in the top 2% of schools nationally.

This year saw the introduction of the new 1-9 grades for English and Mathematics and we are delighted that a significant number of students achieved the highest 8 & 9 grades in English Language, English Literature and Mathematics.

In the overall results, 8 students achieved all A\* and 8/9 grades, with a further 13 achieving A\*, A and 8/9 grades in all subjects.

88% of our students achieved the threshold in English and Mathematics (currently a grade 4) and 87% achieved 5+ standard passes including English and Mathematics (comparable to the former 5A\*-C including English and Maths measure)

We are hugely proud of our GCSE performance compared to the National figures for English and Maths. Nationally the 9 grade was awarded to 3.5% of students in Maths, 3.2% in English Literature and 2.2% in English Language; our students achieved 9.6% in Maths, 5.4% in English Literature and 10.2% in English Language.

*These results are as of 1 September 2017 and are subject to change as enquires about results are not included in these figures. Updates will appear on our website and the final figures will be confirmed in November when published by the Department for Education in Analyse School Performance (ASP).*

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