



Monmouth Comprehensive School GCSE EXAMS NEWSLETTER 2016

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Record breaking results at MCS with fantastic achievement at the highest grades!

At Monmouth Comprehensive School, there were smiles of joy and relief as students collected their examination results. There was a significant increase in all subjects at the top grades, with A*/A grades 7% above the national figure and at A*- B, 10% above. 97% of all students achieved 5 A*- C, with 100% of students leaving with 5 level 1 / 2 qualifications. Students achieved a fantastic 98% pass rate in the Welsh Baccalaureate Qualification. These results follow on from the outstanding achievement the previous week, with results in the Sixth Form surpassing all records, with similar outstanding results at the top grades.



Amongst the overwhelming majority of students who achieved superb results, there were 35 students who achieved the highest grades across their subjects:

Hope Allan, Andrew Cole, Charlie Cooke, Ellen Coombe, Francesca Crilly, Charlotte Ellis, Jess Fielding, Alice Glen, Amy Howells, Meggie Jarrold, Megan John, Eleanor Johnson, Emma Johnston, Rose Jorgensen-Rideout, Tobias Lane, Elsa Lilly, Emma McCoard, Kelly McGurk, Thomas Mapp, Natalie Morgan, Pippa Morgan, Stephanie Painter, Louis Proctor, Carys Robbins, Chloe Robertson, Amara Smith, Lauren Smith, Lydia Smith, Jago Strong-Wright, Annie Tattersdill, Lauren Terrell, Edward Trumper, Felicity Walsh, Ioan Williams and Joshua Williams.



This year, following a long tradition of success, no student left without a qualification. The school is fully comprehensive and is able to meet the needs of students and support them in leading their lives. This is a fantastic achievement and the majority of students will be returning to MCS in September to begin their Sixth Form Courses. If you require details about how to join the MCS Sixth Form, please Mrs K Jones, Sixth Form Administrator at the school.

Mr Sully, Progress Leader for the Year Group, said "I am over-the-moon with the success of the Year Group. They have worked hard and the level of attainment is incredible. Watching students open their results and seeing all those A*/A s was just wonderful. So, too, for some students who overcame some difficult circumstances to achieve brilliant results. They deserve this success and I know they will go on to even greater achievement."



Headteacher, Mr Davies, congratulated all students and staff on their hard work. "A great deal of care, support and guidance is involved in making sure students achieve their best. Parental support is vital, along with the determination of students and the commitment of all staff. The attainment at the highest grades is testament to the ambition and effort of our students and puts them in good stead for making choices in their lives to succeed at the highest level."



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Record Breaking Results at MCS



At Monmouth Comprehensive School, students excelled with a galaxy of outstanding examination results. Over 150 students were entered for A Level and BTEC qualifications. Grades and pass rates were significantly above national figures (23%), with 43% achieving the top grades A*-A and 85% at A*- C. Students who took the Welsh Baccalaureate at Advanced Level achieved a 100% pass rate, with 75% of students achieving A* and As. On Thursday 18th August, there were smiles of joy and delight (as well as a few tears of relief) as students celebrated their success with parents and teachers. A number of students achieved top grades across all their examination courses:

Grace Allan, Gurpreet Bal, Herman Bal, Lewis Bell, Natasha Chandra, Francis Dowle, Henry Edwards, Nathan Friend, Alice Gable, Lara Gordon, James Johnston, Georgia Jones, Megan Kinniment-Williams, Harry Lloyd, Lucy Neil, Jess Netherway, Philippa Parry, Reuben Pierrepoint, Annica Prince, Ben Warmington and Sam Winder.

Students have accepted places at a number of universities and colleges with others taking up apprenticeships. Seven students are off to Oxford and Cambridge as well as a vast majority to other Russell Group Universities. Our students will be studying a wide range of subjects including PPE, Linguistics, Medieval Languages, Engineering, History, Physics and Maths.

The Director of Sixth Form Studies, Mrs Caroline Guest, said how delighted she was with the work of the students and their determination to succeed. "Our students leave with the skills, knowledge and attitudes to succeed in their next pathway and be successful in life. At the heart of our Sixth Form programme of study is the Welsh Baccalaureate qualification. This is a rigorous and widely recognised qualification that prepares students not only for lifelong learning but also focuses on personal development. A major component of the qualification is the individual investigation which is written to the format of a university thesis and is invaluable in providing students with the grounding they need in succeeding at higher degrees of study. I am not surprised that so many universities, including the Russell Group, made the qualification a requisite in the offer they made to students. It is testament to the high regard of the qualification and the Welsh Curriculum."

Headteacher, Mr Davies, praised the work of students, parents and staff in achieving such excellent results. Mr Davies said, "The students and staff at Monmouth Comprehensive school work hard to ensure the success of every student. Parents work closely with the school and support students at every opportunity. I am proud to be able to work with such exemplary, hardworking and dedicated students and staff. The results show that our students are able to lead their lives".