



BOURNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL BULLETIN

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From Mark Brunker, Headteacher

It was wonderful to welcome our Year 11 students back this morning to collect the results of five years of hard work.

There is much for this year group to celebrate. Across more than 2,300 examination entries, the overall pass rate was 99.9%. Just over half of all grades were awarded at grades 7–9 and almost one third were grades 8 or 9. Ninety-six students achieved at least one grade 9.



Dexter Vipond



Ellen Richardson

This was the 1st year in which students have taken GCSE Astronomy, offered by the Physics Department. 20 Y10 students gave up their time after school to take part. Incredibly, they completed the course with just 22 sessions and the results were superb. Such an achievement says a great deal about the enthusiasm and commitment of the students, as well as the dedication of the staff who created and delivered the course alongside their normal teaching duties.



Sasha Johnson

There were some exceptional individual results. Four students – Danesha Kumari, Ellen Richardson, Zaid Thalangara and Aras Tugluer – each achieved ten grade 9s. Ellen also joined seven other students who achieved exclusively grades 8 and 9: Ali Abdallah, William Blades, Luca Christoudias, George Dennis, Andreas Halford, Weronika Skrzynecka and Miguel Valdez. These are remarkable outcomes and the students should be enormously proud of what they have achieved.

Of course, some of the achievements that mean most on Results Day are less easily captured by headline statistics. For many students, success is about how far they have travelled, the obstacles they have overcome, the confidence they have developed and the effort they have sustained over a long period of time. I congratulate the whole year group for the commitment they have shown and for the contribution they have made to the School.



Theo Forster



Isabelle Clarkson & Ffion Perkins

The summer has also been a useful reminder that achievement is by no means confined to examination results.

Harper Graham continues to make extraordinary progress in elite football. Having already represented England at youth level, she has now taken another significant step with a call-up to Leicester City's women's first-team squad at the age of just 16. Luca Christoudias provides another excellent example. He achieved an outstanding set of GCSE results whilst representing Peterborough United. Managing the demands of Academy football alongside the pressures of Year 11 cannot be easy, and we wish both of them all the best with their next steps.

I am grateful to the teachers, tutors, pastoral colleagues, examinations team and support staff who have guided and encouraged our Year 11s, often giving far more of their time than students will ever fully realise. I also thank parents and carers for the encouragement, patience and support they have provided throughout the GCSE years.

Congratulations to our Year 11s. They have worked hard, achieved a great deal and have every reason to be proud of this summer's results. I hope they enjoy celebrating their achievements and approach what comes next with confidence.



Niketh Nambala



Heidi Paddock



Mahitha Suresh Babu



Zaid Thalangara

I hope that everyone in the school community enjoys the remaining days of the Summer Holiday. We look forward to welcoming students to the first day of term on **Thursday 3 September**.