

STEYNING GRAMMAR SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Advanced Level and BTEC National Results - Summer 2018

- **Sustained outstanding examination results from Steyning Grammar School's Sixth Form College students, record 98.8 % pass rate at A Level.**
- **Over 79% of grades at A*-C at A Level.**
- **100% pass rate in 29 A level subjects and 5 Applied BTEC courses.**
- **Exceptional attainment in Sciences, Maths, English and work related qualifications.**
- **26% A*-A grades; in Physics 42%, English Literature 48%, Maths 32%.**
- **Excellent value added progress.**
- **Prestigious progression destinations and offers at highly sought after research based universities including Oxbridge.**
- **Impressive higher level apprenticeships and gap year plans.**

As one of the largest comprehensive School Sixth Forms in the South East offering a breadth of 37 A level or equivalent courses across the ability range, we are delighted with our continued excellent Year 13 results. Head teacher, Mr Nick Wergan shares; "We are delighted to post record A Level results again at Steyning Grammar - congratulations to all our students and thank you to our fantastic staff team. We need incredibly hard working students and inspirational teaching to achieve outcomes like these - and we have both at Steyning Grammar. We might be in the midst of a generational change in our A Level curriculum, but the character of our students and the exceptional subject knowledge of their teachers has ensured they now have exciting new pathways ahead. I am thrilled with these great results, and I am especially proud of the learning character, so evidently developed in our marvellous Sixth Formers, that will ensure they fully grasp their next opportunities in the worlds of University, Apprenticeship or work. They fully deserve this success."

In facilitating subjects, the percentage of students with A*/A grades include, Maths 32%, Further Maths 29%, Biology 26%, Chemistry 24%, Physics 42%, English Literature 48% and English Language 29 %.

The high achievements of our very academically able students, 21 of whom attained 3 or more A* and A grades include Charlotte Veale who is progressing to the University of Cambridge to read Natural Sciences and Ben Beasley who will study Computer Science at Southampton University. Emily Rowe has been accepted for Mechanical Engineering at Imperial College London and Harry Dommett for Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Southampton University. Sam Masters takes up a place to follow a degree course in Chemistry and Mathematics at the University of Leeds.

Steyning also congratulates the exceptional achievement of students achieving three A*/A grades, where all take up places at their first choice universities. The University of Cambridge is the destination for Gabriel Venter for Mathematics. Robin Ali will be taking up his place to read Electronic Engineering with Computer Systems at Southampton University and Gemma Darling is heading to the University of Surrey to study Psychology. University College London is the destination for Sam Huddleston for English, University of Bristol for Eliza Swain Thompson for History, University of Birmingham for Conrad Meinecke for History and Political Science and University of Reading for Brooke Vickery for International Business and Management. Three A grades lead Jacob Liley to the University of Nottingham for Economics and to the University of Reading for Manfie Kelly for English Language and Linguistics. Head Boy, Jamie Walker will be commencing his degree course in Management at the University of Leeds.

High flying students Kara Hole who gained 3 A grades and Tanvi Sengupta with 2 A*s and an A are taking gap years to inform their future plans whilst making post results applications. Talented

recording artist Maisie Peters with 3 A* grades has demonstrated incredible tenacity and resilience both academically and in her internationally acclaimed musical career.

Attainment is only one way of judging success, the progress individual students have made from their starting point in the College is far more inclusive in recognising those that have fulfilled their potential. Special recognition goes to Evangelia Bizas, Victoria Bradley, Emer Chessell, Isabel Garnett, Daniel Hurrell, Katie Mac Kay, Jack Masters, Thomas North, Nadia Sanane, Andrew Storey and Abigail Wakefield.

Foundation Courses prior to a degree course beckon for many of our students who have followed Art, Photography and Design Technology. Tom Meldrum astounded examiners and visitors to the School Summer Exhibition with his coursework submissions in both Art and Photography, gaining A and A* grades.

BTEC applied courses at Level 3 equivalent to A levels in areas of work have formed excellent qualification pathways for students with outstanding outcomes. In BTEC Sport Diploma where 7 students attained D*,D* ,in BTEC Subsidiary Diplomas, Applied Science 6 students gained D*,D* and similarly in BTEC Travel and Tourism. With 3 D*s George Isaacs progresses to Cardiff Metropolitan to study Sport Performance Analysis and Jake Solomon for a gap year in Canada.

Alongside these, there are other excellent sets of results, including many, which represent real achievements for the students concerned, even though they may not hit the headlines. As a comprehensive school, we also pride ourselves on offering opportunity as widely as possible. Higher-level apprenticeships are a practical way to start a career sometimes offering a chance to work towards degree and masters qualifications through an employer while earning. We are thrilled to share the news of secured pathways for our some of our successful apprenticeships who all have brilliant careers ahead of them: Adam Healey- Kreston Reeves, Hayden Taylor KPMG, Jack Matthews- BDO, Charlie Ansell-Grant Thornton and Max Walsh-DNA Fencing.

As one of only 38 State Boarding Schools in the UK, Sixth Form College boarders at Steyning demonstrate that they have already made a successful transition to independent learning and living. Progression routes include aspirant medic Anna Scott with three A* grades, Edie Pavis with 3 A grades reading Education with Psychology at Bath University and triathlete Charlie Foster who will be at the University of Birmingham.

Exam results are only one part of education and this year group have been a wonderful group to work with in every respect. Our Year 13 have demonstrated their love of learning, making their time at Steyning rewarding and fun by taking the lead in school and community projects. We are equally proud of all our students who have worked extremely hard in the broadest sense. Our dedicated teachers, support staff and parents all play their part in supporting the students through one of their most challenging periods of phased 16-19 curriculum reform.

Full details of all our leavers' destinations including those progressing to employment, apprenticeships and further training will be published on our school website shortly. The Sixth Form College Induction process has begun as we look forward to working with our new Y12 in September 18, with students joining our own Y11 from a range of local 11-16 schools and from over 25 countries worldwide. For students who are looking to apply to Steyning Grammar School Sixth Form College for September 2019 for a Day or Boarding place, our main Open Evening will be on Tuesday 2nd October and a subsequent Subject Information Evening on Tuesday 16th October. (Further admissions details can be found on www.sgs.uk.net/sixthform).

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