Highdown School & Sixth Form Centre - A-LEVEL RESULTS 2023

We are so proud of the hard-working Highdowners picking up their results today. This was a year group massively affected by the pandemic and were not able to sit their GCSEs as usual. This was, therefore, their first round of public examinations and they have done so very well.

As has been widely reported in the press, the percentages of A and A* are reduced and the grade boundaries at each point have been reset. This is of course reflected at Highdown. However, the individual successes are fantastic and to be celebrated due to their hard work and commitment. Despite the published 'reset' to 2019, still over a third of our students achieved grades A*-B and over 60% achieved grades A*-C. We are so very proud of every single one of them.

The destinations of our students are paramount as their next stage in university and life beyond school. As usual Highdowners are accepting places in great universities up and down the land and overseas. Many places being taken up are at the prestigious Russell Group universities.

Some of our students even completed an above average number of courses, these students gained 4 rather than 3 qualifications this year:

Nathaniel Barnett-Ward - Economics A*, Geography A, Government and Politics A, Core Maths A.

Jacob Mendoza – Sociology A, Chemistry A, Music Tech B, Biology B.

Below are some of the results and destinations of high achieving students:

All A* or A

Nathaniel Barnett-Ward - Economics A*, Geography A, Government & Politics A, Core Maths A. Nathaniel has gained a place at University of Reading to study Geography (Human and Physical)

Erida Dervishi - Chemistry A*, Biology A, Maths A. Erida is off to Imperial College London to study Biochemistry.

Lamya Adam - Biology A*, Maths A, EPQ A*. Lamya will be back at Highdown in September to complete the final year of her 3 year course.

A* - B

James Nelson – Art A*, Maths A, Physics B. James will be taking a gap year.

Thomas Pasmore – Psychology A*, Biology A, Maths B. Thomas is off to study Sport Rehabilitation at the University of Nottingham.

Jacob Mendoza – Sociology A, Chemistry A, Music Tech B, Biology B. Jacob is off to University College London to study Natural Sciences.

Ms Rachel Cave Headteacher 17th August 2023