

Durrington students continue to excel in new era of GCSE exams

We are delighted with our student's achievements this year. Recognised by all as the most rigorous and complex examinations ever, our students rose to the challenge sustaining strong results across a wide range of subjects.

70% of all students achieved a pass in English and mathematics; with 1 in 5 students achieving the highest grades of 7-9. We are especially proud of our outstanding success in science where over 80% of students achieved a 'good pass' of grade 5 or more in biology, chemistry and physics, with over 50% achieving the highest grades of 7-9. Sustained exceptional performances in the arts, humanities, and PE saw our students outperforming other students nationally.

Declan, one of our highest performing students said *'I am over the moon with my results. I have loved being at DHS. I am so excited to start my A-Levels at Lancing College in biology, chemistry, maths and further maths.'*

These results reflect the teamwork and partnership between students, the great support from our parents and carers and our talented staff. Together we have gone above and beyond and as a result, the vast majority of subjects achieved above the national average. Our students continue to benefit from our rich, broad and balanced curriculum which enables them to experience success across a range of subjects and provides the perfect springboard for the next stage in their education.

Sue Marooney, headteacher said 'to see hundreds of delighted students and staff celebrating together makes all of the hard work and effort worthwhile. As ever we have great plans for next year and look forward to building on this success.'



Whilst we are exceptionally proud of all of our students, there were some exceptional individual performances from the following students:

- **Dan Moss** - 6 grade 9s, 1 grade 8, 1 grade 7 and 1 grade A
- **Sam Stringer** - 6 grade 9s, 1 grade 8, 1 grade 7 and 1 grade A
- **Declan Bransby** - 6 grade 9s, 1 grade 8, 2 grade 6s and 1 grade A*
- **Daisy Mitchell** - 6 grade 9s, 1 grade 8, 2 grade 7s and 1 grade A
- **Oliver Shephard** - 6 grade 9s, 3 grade 7s and 1 grade A*
- **Nahum Banks** - 6 grade 9s, 2 grade 7s, 1 grade 5, 1 grade A*
- **Mike Landy** - 5 grade 9s, 2 grade 8s, 1 grade 6 and 1 grade A
- **Abi Britton** - 4 grade 9s, 4 grade 8s, 1 grade 5 and 1 grade A*
- **Jamie McDonald** - 5 grade 9s, 2 grade 8s, 1 grade 7, 1 grade 6 and 1 grade A*
- **Abbie Moon** - 4 grade 9s, 2 grade 8s, 1 grade 7, 1 grade 6, 1 grade A and 1 grade A*
- **Rachel Usher** - 4 grade 9s, 2 grade 8s, 1 grade 7, 1 grade 6, 1 grade A*
- **Jade Ramsey** - 4 grade 9s, 3 grade 8s, 1 grade 7, 1 grade 6 and 1 grade A

