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Dear Parent / Carer

## GCSE & A-Level Examinations 2022

As you will be aware this year students saw the return of examinations following two years of disruptions caused by the pandemic. On results days we are keen to celebrate the success of all students given the challenges they had faced and felt it wasn't the year to be broadcasting through social media our headline figures in competition with other schools. This year's results are unique and can not be compared with previous years, nor can they be compared to future years in any valid or meaningful fashion.

That said, I also know how important it is for our community to know how our school has performed and therefore wanted to share some provisional headline figures with you. These figures will be subject to some change, until the DFE releases their validated data. The data below comes from a system called SISRA used by thousands of schools and has historically been very accurate and largely in line with DFE data. What this data does not take into account is the context that faced our school and our county, having the longest period of lockdown, high COVID case numbers and frequent bubble closures, resulting in some students missing significant time away from school. This context would have undoubtedly had an impact, just as it would in many other schools across the country. Clearly it hasn't been a level playing field for our students this year, so I am exceptionally proud of what they have achieved.

Taking this into account, I therefore feel that our students and our school have performed amazingly well given these circumstances. Performing above the national average across all key indicators, as shown below:

### GCSE Headlines

Measure	BGLC 2022	Provisional National Average (SISRA)	Difference
Attainment 8	52.25	49.13	3.12
Progress 8	0.07	0.01	0.06
English and Maths Pass (Grade 4)	80.00	69.5	10.5
English and Maths Pass (Grade 5)	54.4	49.6	4.8

## A - Level Headlines

Measure	BGLC 2022	2019 National Average
Average Grade	<b>B-</b>	<b>C</b>
Academic APS (Average Point Score)	<b>36.16</b>	<b>34.33</b>
Applied General APS	<b>36.42</b>	<b>28.91</b>

We were delighted to see so many successful students on both results days and even happier that the vast majority of our students were able to progress to their chosen destinations.

Whilst we are pleased with this year's results, we are determined to see even greater success moving forwards and we aspire to ensure our grades are significantly above the national average in future years. As always there are areas we need to improve and this is our focus for the term ahead but we feel our school is in a very strong position to achieve even better results in 2023.

We will of course share all of the official data via the school website, when it becomes available.

Yours sincerely



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