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Harlington Upper School Students celebrate superb A Level Results

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The new revised A level exams had many students, parents and teachers holding their breath in anticipation of the outcome of lots of studying and hard work.

Fortunately, the results have been superb again this year. The pass rate has exceeded last year's excellent tally and an impressive 70% of all results were grades A*-C. This has been achieved when many A level grades were this year decided solely by final exams, with no link to coursework or AS-levels.

The following students gained an impressive three or more grade A*/A: Sam Ahira, who will now take up a place at Art College; Joseph Field who will study Physics at the University of Bath; Alice Gough (mathematics at the University of Bath); Ben Scott who is joining the Royal Marines; Megan Callanan who will also study Physics at the University of Bath and Oli Stevens (Chemistry at the University of York).

Other notable successes included a number of students gaining at least 2 grade A*/A: Jess Badgery (Geography at Lancaster University); Jack Davison (joining the British Army and studying Engineering); Iona Chamberlain-Clark (Anthropology with Innovation at the University of Bristol); Lydia Flack (History of Art at the University of Leeds); Joe Gittins (Economics at the University of Sheffield); Emily Goss (Gap year, then History degree); David Harley (Economics at the University of Sheffield); Charlie Keeney (Oceanography and Marine Biology at Plymouth University); Sally Kitchiner (Veterinary Medicine at the University of Surrey); Connor Naylor (Medicine at the University of Liverpool); James Purdom (History at the University of Birmingham) Alex Redman (Philosophy at the University of Southampton); Megan Roberts (Events Management at Leeds Beckett University); Matthew Rowe (Physics at the University of Nottingham); Holly Smith (Chemistry at Lancaster University).

Headteacher, Shawn Fell said "We are delighted by the 2017 A Level results at Harlington Upper School as this year they are again very good, a fact we never take for granted. It's a testament to our hard working students, teachers and supportive parents who do so much for their children and the school. Our students have gained superb results and are now ready to take up their well-deserved university places, apprenticeships and employment. It has been wonderful to witness so many delighted students collecting results at the school this morning."

Harlington Upper School is a successful school with students from ages 13-19 years. It is an acclaimed Central Bedfordshire Academy in a modern building with excellent facilities, offering many after school activities to promote a rounded education, ensuring that the students' interests and creativity are developed alongside their academic learning. It has 1300 students, including over 350 in the sixth form.

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