



## GCSE students set new record

GCSE students celebrated outstanding results, bucking the national trend. Despite a nationwide downturn in overall GCSE results, King's results are up on last year. King's pupils achieved:

- **43%** of all grades at 9/8 (A\*)
- **65%** of grades at 9-7 (A\*-A)
- **82%** of grades at 9-6 (A\*-B)
- **33%** got at least nine 9-7s (A\*/A)
- **75%** of pupils got a 9/8 (A\*) in at least one subject.

Head of Foundation, Mr Slack, said: "We are incredibly proud of this year's GCSE students. Their results represent the best externally awarded grades for nine years and are fully deserved by a committed cohort, particularly against a national picture of a significant decline in the number of top grades.

"We believe our inspirational learning environment and teaching have helped our young people to reach the highest academic standards, alongside their strength of character and hard work. As well as their academic achievements, they have excelled in other areas of school life



and I have no doubt they will go on to greatness in the future."

*Pictured above are:* musician and sailor **Annabel Hawkins**, who got ten 9s and one 8 grade and eventually wants to read Computer Science at Cambridge. **Ali Hussain**, a keen cricketer, hockey player and big band member who got eight 9s, two 8s and one 7.

Pianist and chorister **Margi Javle**, who got nine 9s and one 8 and wants to go on to be a doctor. Cross-country star and multi-instrument musician **Sebastian**

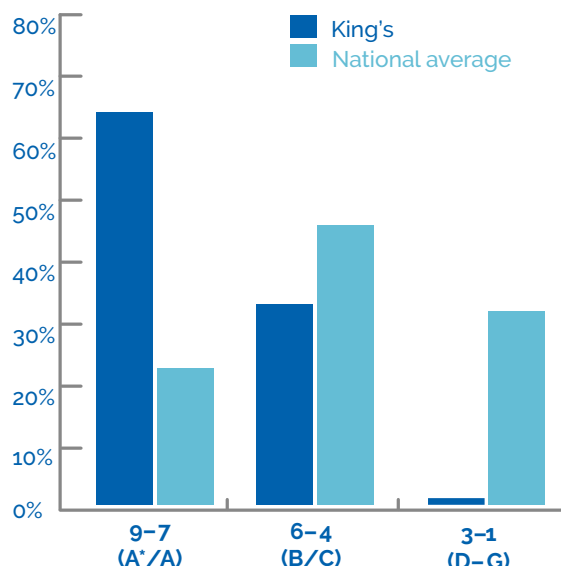
**Fitzgerald**, who got eight 9s and two 8s and wants to be a linguist.

Duke of Edinburgh awardee **Tasha Clark**, who got nine 9s and one 8 and wants to go on to be a lawyer.

**Lucy Hancock**, who got eight 9s, two 8s and a 6 and wants to train as a nurse.

**Daisy Webb**, who got eight 9s and three 8s and wants to study Medicine at Cambridge. Keen horse woman **Freya Ambrey-Brosnahan**, who got eight 9s and two 8s and wants to read Law at Oxford.

Prestbury twins **Elijah** and **Kyna Willcocks** were thrilled not only for themselves but more importantly for each other on GCSE results day. They moved to England from South Africa only two years ago and both produced stunning GCSE results. Elijah got one 9, seven 8s, two 7s and a 6 while twin sister Kyna got one 9, one 8, six 7s and two 6s. Both will join King's Sixth Form. Kyna wants to be a teacher, while Elijah wants to be a doctor.







# Excellent A Levels results

Students, staff and parents were celebrating a set of outstanding A Level results:

- Around **50%** of grades were A\*/A
- **80%** of grades were A\* – B
- **33%** of students scored three As or above
- **71%** achieved their first choice of university
- **56%** of students are joining Russell Group universities

Head, Jason Slack, was delighted and paid tribute to the students, highlighting their work ethic

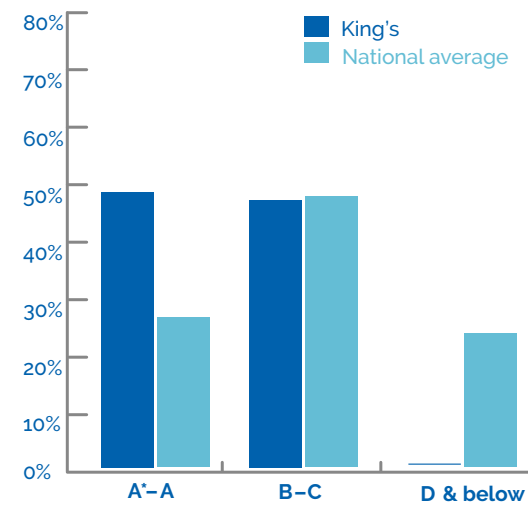
and commitment. "This cohort have worked exceptionally hard and thoroughly deserve these wonderful results. To consistently perform at the highest level requires sustained commitment and these students have demonstrated that they have what it takes.

"In addition, they have developed the character and broader skills necessary to meet the challenges of the modern world through a wide range of extra-curricular interests and I look forward to

hearing of their success in the future. I couldn't be more proud of them."

In the prestigious Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), which is highly valued by universities, 53% of all grades are A\*/A, reflecting students' hard-work.

Students are going on to study a wide range of courses, from art and medicine to law and zoology, as well as a number of students who have gained places on degree-level apprenticeships.



*Pictured (BELOW) from left:*

**Reece Grady**, who has just returned from representing Team England in the Youth Commonwealth Games where he won one Gold and two Silver medals in Swimming. Reece achieved all A grades and is off to study Aerospace Engineering at Arizona University (USA).

**Annabelle O'Neill** achieved A\*AA and is heading off to study Mechanical Engineering at the University of Birmingham before pursuing a career in the automotive industry.

Silver DofE Award holder **Amelia Phillpotts** achieved all A grades and is joining Warwick University to study English Literature.

Saxophonist **Vasee Vasantharajan** achieved A\*AAA and is heading off to Sheffield University to study Mechatronic Engineering.

**Edie Waters** will be studying Law at the University of Bristol after securing her A\*AA grades.

**Annalise Timms** achieved AAB and will now join Newcastle University to study English Language & Literature.



**Niya Alias** achieved A\*A\*A plus an A\* in her EPQ and will be joining UCL to study Psychology & Language Sciences. First team netballer **Anna Warham** aced all of her subjects and will now be joining Bristol University to study Psychology & Neuroscience. **Jussi-Peter Hill** achieved A\*AA and is now heading off to Durham University to study History. **William Timms** achieved AAB grades and will now study Computer Science at York University.

*Pictured right are:*

**Ananiel Antony**, who achieved AAA and is joining Sheffield University to study Mechanical Engineering. **Harriet Bailey**, who gained an A\*AA and will now read International Management and Spanish at Bath University. Talented Grade 5 Trombonist **Rebecca Foster**, who gained A\*A\*A, plus an A\* in her EPQ, is heading to Durham to study Biology. King's School hockey captain and gold Duke of Edinburgh award holder **Lewis Johnstone**, who gained A\*AA, is heading to Bristol to study Chemistry.



*Pictured from left:* Silver Duke of Edinburgh award winner **Oliver Lewer-Sotiriou**, gained AAB and is now heading to Exeter University to study Applied Finance as part of a degree apprenticeship with leading global finance firm JP Morgan. **Loryn Robinson** gained AAB and will now read English Language & Linguistics at Warwick University. **Ashton Nulty** achieved AAB and is heading to Sheffield University to study Accounting & Finance.

*Pictured, from left:*

talented violinist and swimmer **Edward Chen**, who achieved three A's in Biology, Chemistry and Geography and an A in Maths and will now read Medicine at Lancaster. School Vice-Captain and hockey player **Rory McCabe** gained A's in French, Politics, History and his EPQ.

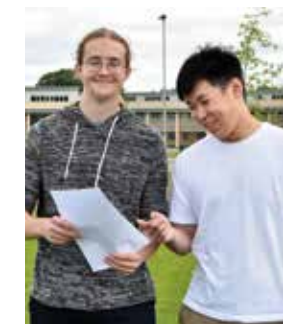
He aims to go on to become a journalist after taking a gap year.

Gold Duke of Edinburgh award holder **Toby Denton** gained three A's in Chemistry, Biology and Spanish and will now head to Sheffield University to read Medicine. School Vice-Captain **Grace Slack** gained three A's in Maths, Biology and Chemistry and is heading to Leeds to read Medicine. Orienteering champion **Ben O'Donnell** is heading to St Anne's



College at Oxford University to study Biology after achieving A's in Maths, Biology, Chemistry and his EPQ. Grade 8 Electric guitarist **Sammy Earnshaw** gained four A's in Chemistry, Biology, Maths and Further Maths and is joining Durham University to read Chemistry.

First team rugby player **Owen Branthwaite** is heading to Jesus College, Cambridge to read Maths after gaining four A's in Maths, Further Maths, Chemistry and Physics.



Gifted grade 6 saxophonist **Thomas Sheridan** is heading to York University to read Medicinal Chemistry after gaining As in Maths and Chemistry and Bs in Biology and EPQ. Talented violinist and swimmer **Edward Chen** achieved three A's in Biology, Chemistry and Geography and an A in Maths and will now go on to read Medicine at Lancaster.

*Pictured (BELOW) from left are:*

Rugby player **Owen Branthwaite**, who is heading to Jesus College, Cambridge to read Maths after gaining four A's. **Thomas Whitney**, who gained AAA, plus an A\* in his EPQ, is heading to Sheffield to study Economics. Top class climber **Emma Edwards** secured an A\* in Biology and As in Chemistry and Maths. Emma is in the Great Britain climbing team and finished 7th in the European Youth Cup.



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**50%** of all grades at A\*/A





# Year 13 | University Destinations & Courses 2023

Arizona University (ASU)	Aerospace Engineering
Bangor University	Zoology with Animal Management
Cardiff University	Biomedical Science
Durham University	Psychology
Durham University	Modern Languages & Cultures
Durham University	Chemistry (Industrial)
Durham University	Biological Sciences
Durham University	History
Durham University	Religion, Society & Culture
Durham University	Psychology
Harper Adams University	Animal Behaviour and Welfare (Clinical)
Harper Adams University	Agribusiness Management
Imperial College London	Biological Sciences
Keele University	Pharmacy
Keele University	Medicine
Lancaster University	Medicine & Surgery
Lancaster University	Accounting & Finance
Lancaster University	Chemistry
Lancaster University	Law
Liverpool John Moores University	Law
Liverpool John Moores University	Events Management
Liverpool John Moores University	Business Management
Liverpool John Moores University	Criminology & Psychology
Loughborough University	Psychology
Loughborough University	Sport Management
Manchester Metropolitan University	English Language & Linguistics
Manchester Metropolitan University	Sports Business Management
Manchester Metropolitan University	Events Management
Manchester Metropolitan University	Business Management
Newcastle University	Marketing & Management
Newcastle University	Zoology
Newcastle University	Mechanical Engineering
Newcastle University	Pharmacy
Newcastle University	English Language & Literature
Newcastle University	Combined Honours
Newcastle University	Marketing
Northumbria University	Business Management
Royal Holloway, University of London	Geography
Sheffield Hallam	Real Estate
Sheffield Hallam	Psychology
Sheffield Hallam	Nursing (Child)
Sheffield Hallam	Psychology
UCL (University College London)	Psychology & Language Sciences
University of Bath	International Management & Spanish
University of Birmingham	Business Management
University of Birmingham	Mechanical Engineering
University of Brighton	Marketing Management
University of Bristol	Chemistry
University of Bristol	Psychology & Neuroscience
University of Bristol	Law
University of Cambridge	Mathematics
University of Central Lancashire	Law

University of East Anglia UEA	Psychology
University of Essex	Marine Biology
University of Exeter	Law
University of Exeter	Applied Finance
University of Exeter	Exercise & Sport Sciences
University of Kent	Computer Science
University of Leeds	Philosophy
University of Leeds	Chemistry
University of Leeds	Biological Sciences (Biotechnology)
University of Leeds	Medicine
University of Leeds	Accounting & Finance
University of Leeds	Medicine
University of Leeds	Computer Science
University of Leicester	Biological Sciences (Biochemistry)
University of Liverpool	Marketing
University of Liverpool	Law
University of Liverpool	Psychology
University of Liverpool	Architecture
University of Liverpool	International Business
University of Liverpool	Economics
University of Manchester	Aerospace Engineering
University of Manchester	International Business, Finance & Economics
University of Manchester	Ancient History
University of Nottingham	Electronic & Computer Engineering
University of Nottingham	Mechanical Engineering
University of Oxford	Biology
University of Reading	Law
University of Reading	Real Estate
University of Sheffield	Biomedical Science
University of Sheffield	Mechanical Engineering
University of Sheffield	History & Politics
University of Sheffield	Law
University of Sheffield	Medicine
University of Sheffield	Geography & Planning
University of Sheffield	Law
University of Sheffield	English Literature
University of Sheffield	Accounting & Financial Management
University of Sheffield	Data Science
University of Sheffield	Mechatronic & Robotic Engineering
University of Sheffield	Economics
University of the Arts London	Film Practice
University of Warwick	Product Design & Development Engineering
University of Warwick	English Literature
University of Warwick	English Language & Linguistics
University of York	Philosophy, Politics & Economics
University of York	History/Politics (Equal)
University of York	Business & Management
University of York	Chemistry, Biological & Medicinal Chemistry
University of York	Computer Science
York St John University	Psychology with Child Development

*\* Five students gained places on degree apprenticeships with Bentley Motors, JP Morgan, JLL Surveyors and other companies.*