

## **Press Release: Poynton High School & Sixth Form**

### **“...Poynton High School Sixth Form students are simply inspirational!”**

Upon learning of his post 16 students' achievements, David Waugh, Head Teacher said “...once again, Poynton High School Sixth Form students prove that they are simply inspirational. The class of 2018 are a truly awe inspiring set of young people who have achieved the best results we have ever had within our sixth form; their success builds on the record levels of achievement for each of the last 5 years. Their results represent thousands of hours of hard work and revision and extensive support and guidance from our expert and dedicated staff and extremely supportive parents.”

Students and staff are celebrating another record-breaking year at Poynton High School Sixth Form. This summer our 150 Year 13 students took over 450 A-Level examinations and BTEC assessments and have achieved record results across the board including 10% of all A-Levels being graded at the highest possible, prestigious A\* Grade and 30% graded as A\* or A. Student results have been exceptionally high at all levels and in all subjects with 5 students gaining straight A\* grades, approaching 80% of all A-Levels graded at A\* - C and an overall pass rate in excess of 99%.

Mr Richard Hardman, Director of Sixth Form said “...simply amazing. It is fantastic to see our students being justly rewarded for all of their brilliant efforts. These results are transformational for them with the vast majority now going off to their first choice university to study such things as Mathematics at Imperial College to Archaeology at Newcastle University, from Physics at Birmingham University to Engineering at Leicester University. Alongside this, we have a number of students moving on to degree and modern apprenticeship courses such as joining Astra Zeneca while studying at Manchester Metropolitan University to joining Mottram Hall Hotel and studying Hospitality and Wedding Planning, all choosing to join the work force immediately as highly qualified and enthusiastic members.

David Waugh, Head Teacher said “...I would also like to take an opportunity to thank all of our teaching and support staff for their expert tuition, guidance and support for our students. In addition, a special mention must be given to the families of our students, as without their unwavering support, such transformational results would not happen. It is a real privilege to be a part of the “family of support” in this way and it once again it shows what an inspirational set of young people we have within our community.”

### **Specific Case Studies**

- Mark Porter – gained AAB in his A levels and will be joining Astra Zeneca on their Degree level apprenticeship scheme studying at Manchester Metropolitan University.
- Eilidh Mackenzie – gained A\*, A B C in her A levels and will be joining Guildhall studying Technical Theatre Direction.
- Ben Bateman – gained A\* A\* A\* and will be reading Mathematics at Imperial College London.
- Joel Bearn – gained A\*A\*A\* and will be reading Computer Science at Durham University.
- Hannah Gregg – gained A,B,B and will be joining KPMG on their prestigious School Leaver Scheme.
- Jessica Scott – gained A\*AB and will be reading Ancient History and Archaeology at Newcastle University
- George Pepper – gained ABB and will be reading Economics at Birmingham University
- Faye Buxton – gained Distinction\*/Distinction, C in her BTEC Diploma and her A level and will be completing an apprenticeship at Mottram Hall Hotel in Hospitality and Wedding Planning.
- Effie Cawley gained AAB and will be reading Zoology with Marine Zoology at Bangor University.