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IMPROVEMENTS AT GCSE FOR NORTH OXFORDSHIRE ACADEMY

~ Students celebrate top grades, as school sees an increase on key measures ~

Today, students and staff at North Oxfordshire Academy are celebrating after seeing strong improvements at GCSE.

60% of students achieved a pass (grade 4 or above) in both English and maths – up from 55% last year. For students achieving the higher level pass of grade 5 or above in both subjects, there was also a strong increase at 46% compared to 35% in 2018.

The academy's students also received strong results over a wider range of subjects: 54% of them achieved five or more good passes (grade 4 or above) including English and maths.

Alongside the whole-school improvements, there were some excellent individual success stories. This included:

- Kira Baughan, who achieved three 9s, four 8s, one 6 and one 5;
- Daisy Beecroft, who achieved two 9s, four 8s, two 7s and a 6;
- Saskia Morris, who achieved one 9, three 8s, one 7 and five 6s;
- Chloe Dunn, who achieved one 9, four 8s, two 7s, two 6s, one 4 and a Distinction*;
- Ben Jackson, who achieved one 9, one 8, one 7, two 6s, one 4 and a Distinction*;
- Harley Simons, who achieved one 9, two 8s, four 7s, one 6, one 4 and a Distinction*;
- Jacob Newman, who achieved one 9, two 8s, five 7s and one 6.

Sara Billins, Principal of North Oxfordshire Academy, said:

"We are very proud of our students collecting their GCSE results today, which represent some strong improvements across the academy. It is always wonderful as a Headteacher to see young people who joined us in Year 7 celebrating having achieved some excellent, well-deserved GCSE results. They can be happy in the knowledge that through their hard work and perseverance they can now move onto the next stage of their education successfully. We look forward to welcoming many of them back to our Sixth Form in September to continue to support them in their talents and ambitions."

Student Harley Simons said:

"Hard work pays off. I am delighted with my results. A big thank you to my teachers!"

Daisy Beecroft added:

“Thank you to all my teachers. I am so, so pleased with my results. My teachers have gone the extra mile.”

Year 11 Kira Baughn also said:

“All the hard work has been worth it. I am proud of my achievements I hope to continue and improve even further in my A level results.”

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- 1. Photos attached.**
- 2. For more information, please contact Saoirse Brennan on 020 3006 5871.**