## **Porthcawl Comprehensive School**

## A Level Results 2024

## **Press Release**

Once again, we are delighted with this summer's A Level examination results at Porthcawl Comprehensive School and on behalf of everyone at PCS, I would like to congratulate all Year 12 and Year 13 students on their achievements. As I stated last year, there is a large debt of gratitude to our teachers and to our families. Excellent results truly reflect the effective partnership between a school, its learners and the support from home. It is a partnership we do so effectively at PCS - well done all!

It has been an excellent academic year filled with success, achievement, and moments that have enriched the lives of the students at PCS. Our successes are judged by many in a whole range of ways but first and foremost it is our students' success in learning that is important and will serve them best for the future. These results mark the end point to what has been a very good academic Year for Year 13 – I am very proud!

Across the curriculum the thirst for knowledge, creativity and enthusiasm has been infectious and it gives me a real sense of pride seeing the students in our Sixth Form rewarded for their hard work. We are pleased that our students have received an excellent set of results which will ensure they can move on to the next phase of their education and lives. Throughout their time at PCS they have all shown such commitment and dedication.

At A Level, our Year 13 students sat 1410 papers over the examination period. Our provisional results show that over 30% of all grades awarded were A\*- A, approximately 60% of all grades awarded were A\*- B and over 80% of all grades awarded were A\*- C. The overall A\*- E pass rate was near 100% and the year group's wider points score was very strong.

Almost all students have moved onto a place at a university with a very high percentage of students securing a place at a Russell Group University. Our students will be studying a range of degrees including Law, Engineering, Mathematics, Medicine, Chemistry, Art, Physics and Sport – to name a few! Other students have secured or are looking for employment, some have gained places on high level apprenticeships and some have chosen to take time out before continuing their studies or embarking on a career. Some exciting stories that were shared with us today include Illia Zhurovak from Ukraine who is off to Oxford University to read Mathematics and Computing and Isabella Hemmington-Gorse who will study Medicine at Cardiff. Libby Geddes is going to St Andrews to study French and Spanish and Scarlet Osbourne is off to study Drama in the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama where she received an unconditional offer, as did Enzo Lipley, who will be studying Stage Management and Technical Theatre. Finty Kehoe also received an unconditional offer to study Drama at Bath Spa. Annabelle Brooks has got a very exciting time ahead as she goes to Japan for four months with AFS Wales on a culture and education programme involving global citizenship. What an amazing time they all have ahead! I wish all of our pupils every success in the future and look forward to welcoming them back to school whenever they are in Porthcawl.

At A Level, almost three quarters of Year 13 students achieved at least 3 or more A Levels graded at A\*- C and approximately 20% achieved 3 or more A Levels graded at A\*- A grades. In addition, almost all students achieved the Level 3 Threshold. At AS Level, our Year 12 students have also performed very well. Over 30% of all grades were awarded at grade A and there was a high number of grades awarded at A-B. These results provide a very strong foundation for moving into Year 13 and onto A Level study from September 2024 – congratulations!

These excellent results have, once again, ensured that Porthcawl students continue to secure places at some of the best universities in the country, move onto high-level apprenticeships, secure employment or embark on traineeships – I am one very proud Headteacher!

I would like to congratulate all staff and students for their hard work and steadfast dedication. I wish all students the very best for the future.
Best wishes,
Mr Stephens Headteacher