



SHIPLAKE COLLEGE HENLEY-ON-THAMES

GCSE and iGCSE Results

	2023	2022	2021*	2020*	2019	2018	2017
9-8 (A*)	14%	15%	27%	16%	11%	11%	
9-7 (A*-A)	33%	35%	47%	33%	24%	26%	31%
9-6 (A*-B)	59%	60%	69%	56%	42%	47%	62%
9-4 (A*-C)	95%	97%	97%	94%	88%	89%	91%
9-4 (A*-C) 5 or more	95%	99%	99%	95%	94%	86%	91%
9-1 (A*-G) (Pass)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

"As we return to pre-pandemic levels it is a chance to compare to the 2019 results and celebrate how far we've come. The number of grades at 9-8 has increased from 11% in 2019 to 14%, and 33% were grades 9-7, compared to 24%. Just as pleasing is the 95% of pupils achieving grades 9-4, compared to 2019 an increase of 6%. Even more satisfying is that some of these headline figures are in line with or better than the Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs) of 2020. It is important to note that this cohort spent much of Years 8 and 9 in lockdown, a key period of growth and development for academic skills. These results are testament to the efforts of the teachers, who continue to go above and beyond for their pupils, and the outstanding work done over this time and since. These efforts also went a long way to supporting pupils' wellbeing when it was being challenged most. Witnessing pupils celebrating with their parents, teachers and peers is incredibly heartwarming – there are so many pupils who wore smiles of well-earned satisfaction, or shock at exceeding expectations, and as educators these are really special moments for us. Shiplake pupils are increasingly ambitious and aspirational, and they are holding themselves to higher standards, looking for those personal bests. Particular congratulations to James Bizior, Crosby Burnett, Josh Dawn and Jonathan Kowal who achieved 9-7 grades across the board."

Sixth Form Results

	2023	2022	2021*	2020*	2019	2018	2017
A*-A (or equivalent)	30%	41%	70%	55%	37%	42%	52%
A*-B	62%	68%	85%	77%	64%	61%	72%
A*-C	88%	92%	98%	93%	86%	83%	88%
A*-E (Pass)	99.7%	99%	100%	100%	99.4%	100%	100%

Sixth Form results include the grades, or equivalent, of A Levels, BTECs, Tech Level and EPQ qualifications.

"With 88% of results being A*-C (or equivalent), an increase from 86% in pre-pandemic's 2019, there was a very happy atmosphere overall. I am immensely proud of this cohort who did not get the chance to go through the GCSE examination cycle but have shown great resilience and determination in their approach to this year's examinations. 93% of leavers have been accepted into their first or second choice university (same as in 2022), with Cardiff and Exeter as the most popular destinations as we see nine and seven heading there respectively. There has also been an increase in the number of pupils heading to top third (52%) and Russell Group (41%) universities, compared to last year's 39% and 26%. The range of subjects being studied at these two universities alone reflect the wide range of passions, ambitions and pathways of our pupils: History, Marketing, Liberal Arts, Psychology, Biological Sciences, Drama and Creative Writing, Business Management, Sociology and Philosophy, Architecture, Criminology, Midwifery, Law and Politics, and Geography. Other courses include Dentistry, Physics, Medicine, Economics, Mechanical Engineering and Accounting. We have seen a reduction in the number of pupils taking vocational subjects, with 13% of the 325 grades being BTECs or CTECs, compared to 25% in 2019. In that year, 19% of A-level grades alone were A*-A and this year it is 25%, which is particularly pleasing given the national headlines of a dip in top-end results, and this reflects our sustained focus on academic rigour in the last four years."

**2021 results are based on TAGs (Teacher-Assessed Grades) and 2020 results are based on CAGs (Centre-Assessed Grades), following the cancellation of the normal examination season due to COVID-19 pandemic
NB: 2018 reflects the results from the A Level and GCSE government reforms.*