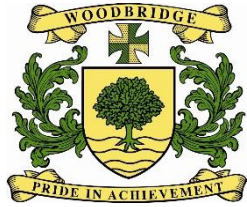


Woodbridge High School



GCSE Results Press Statement 24th August 2023

Woodbridge High School is once again celebrating some excellent GCSE and Cambridge National results for students in year 11, who were at the school in Woodford Green this morning to collect their results envelopes and to enrol for the school's Sixth Form.

A large number of students achieved outstanding outcomes, including some of the highest achievers who achieved straight grades 8 and 9.

Ava Pereira gained seven grade 9s, two grade 8s and one 7, and will be taking up a place in the Sixth Form at Woodbridge in September. Ava said, "Coming in with the expectation of our grades being lower than recent years, I am very happy and very relieved, with the results I have achieved"

Avani Degam said, "I am very happy and very relieved."

Grading for GCSE examinations this year has been returned by the government to the standard last seen in 2019, before the pandemic. This means that the number of top grades seen nationally has fallen significantly since last year.

Despite this national fall in outcomes, Woodbridge has seen 23pc of all GCSEs graded at 9-7, the equivalent of A*-A grades under the previous system. 75pc of all students achieved grade 4 or better, and 62pc grade 5 or better, in both English and Maths. These are excellent outcomes for the school that compare with the best schools nationally, despite the disruption to students' education in recent years.

The majority of Woodbridge students will be continuing at the school as they join its highly successful Sixth Form in September, with enrolment taking place today and tomorrow. The school offers one of the widest ranges of A Level and vocational courses available locally. The school says that there may be some places left for students from other schools for some courses, and staff will be on hand at the school to advise.

Steven Hogan, Headteacher at Woodbridge High School, said: "Our year 11 students have made all of us so proud today. They have not had an easy time, experiencing huge disruption due to the pandemic when they were in years 8 and 9. Their GCSE exam grades act like a passport to the next stage in their lives, and I am so pleased that so many now have the opportunities that they deserve."

He continued: "Today, as always, we celebrate every one of our students as an individual. The students of Team Woodbridge are awesome, and we loved seeing their beaming faces as they collected their results this morning."

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