

GCSE Results 2017 Press Release

'I am delighted to report that my final GCSE results are the best ever on my watch as Headteacher. This summer we had the highest number of pupils ever achieving National Standards in English and Maths. Robert Clack School of Science lived up to its name again by achieving the best Science GCSE results in the LA for the umpteenth time. Across the curriculum records were broken.

Given the turbulence in the system these results are even more remarkable. They are of course a magnificent tribute to our pupils, staff, parents, and governors. I am so thrilled for them. Our sixth form will be bulging once again with talent across the board.

We know we have excellent year groups to follow that will continue to uphold and surpass the standards set previously. I am extremely confident that Mr Taylor will take the school to even greater heights.

I would like to thank all pupils, parents, staff, governors, councillors and Local Authority personnel for giving me such great support over 27 years; I will always remain eternally grateful. It has been a privilege and honour to serve the school and this community for this extended period. It is truly humbling to know that 1000s of young people have gone on from our school to be successful and happy people.'

Sir Paul Grant, Headteacher

Mr Taylor, the newly appointed Acting Headteacher, said of the results:

'Provisionally, 68% of our pupils have achieved grades 9-4 (the equivalent of A*-C) in English and Maths, which is the government's new headline measure. The proportion achieving the long-standing headline measure of 5 GCSEs at grades A* to C, including English and Maths at grades 9 to 4, is also 68%, whilst almost 40% of pupils have achieved the English Baccalaureate. A number of pupils performed exceptionally well: 8 attained straight A*/A (or 9 to 7) grades, 21 achieved an average point score equivalent to straight A grades and over 50 obtained straight A*-B grades. The new, coveted grade 9, which is awarded to the very highest achieving pupils in the country, was achieved by 22 pupils!'