

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your family are well, and that your child has settled back smoothly into the routine of school life since the start of the new term. It is certainly wonderful to have the corridors and classrooms of Cowes Enterprise College (CEC) alive and busy again.

Apart from wishing you and the students well, I also wanted to write to you today following the publication of a couple of local news articles which have reported on the exam results this summer of the island's schools.

It is not my place to comment on other schools other than to say that I know my teaching colleagues across the Isle of Wight all work extremely hard to support their students achieve the best possible grades and I find these kind of stories very negative and disappointing.

I am of course much better placed to speak about our school, and we were very proud of what the students achieved this summer. A breakdown of the headline results at GCSE and A level confirms this.

<b>GCSE Results 2022</b>	<b>CEC</b>	<b>National</b>	<b>Average</b>
% of Maths grades at 4 or better	80%	75%	
% of English grades at 4 or better	87%	77%	

In terms of the % of students who achieved a 4 or better in English and Maths, and the % who achieved a 5 or better in both subjects, we achieved, respectively 78% and 58%. National averages have not yet been released for these, so we cannot compare, but we anticipate on both that we have done well.

<b>A level Results 2022</b>		
% of all grades at C or better	84%	82%

At A level we also saw another large number of students secure places at some of the country's most selective universities, including Cambridge, Manchester, Bath, Exeter, Warwick, Sheffield and Leeds, all of them prestigious Russell Group institutions.

We are certainly very proud of our students for what they have achieved, and of our teachers and their families for the support they gave them. I hope that in future our local newspapers also report fairly on their efforts and achievements.

I hope these statistics, which present a true picture of our results, are reassuring.

Yours faithfully,



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