



Strong results at St Mark's Academy sees rise in students going to Russell Group universities

Students, staff and parents at St Mark's Academy in Mitcham are celebrating after another year of successful exam results.

A ten per cent rise in students achieving AAB with two facilitating subjects means there has been a significant increase in the number of St Mark's students securing a place at an elite Russell Group university.

Three students achieved top grades and will take up medicine courses at the University of Birmingham, the University of Bristol and Kings College London this September. Students also secured places to study Paediatric Nursing and Midwifery at Keele University and King's College London.

Lisa Peterkin, Principal at St Mark's Academy, said:

"I'm extremely proud of our students for working so hard and achieving these fantastic results. They've displayed a real determination to succeed.

"I'm thrilled to see our students go on to such high quality destinations for the next stage of their lives. I'd like to thank St Mark's staff for their commitment and dedication and our parents and the wider community for supporting our learners' success."

Rachael Norman, Chair of Governors at St Mark's Academy, said:

"Congratulations on yet another year of fantastic results. These are a testament to the school's senior team and the hard work of all the staff and students.

"I'm proud of our learners and it's great to see St Mark's continue to go from strength to strength."

Our sixth formers will also be reading university courses in:

- Maths with Games Design and Art
- Primary Teaching
- Physiotherapy
- Mathematics
- Pharmaceutical and Chemical Sciences
- Forensic Science
- Interior Architecture and Design
- Sports Management

As well as celebrating A Level success, St Mark's continues to be "well above" the national average for Applied General subjects, with students achieving an average grade that is the equivalent of an "A" at A Level. Our BTEC students achieved half a grade higher than the national average.

Notes to editors

- St Mark's continues to be "well above" the national average for Applied General subjects with an average grade of a Distinction-. This is the equivalent of an A Level A grade.

This means our BTEC students achieved half a grade higher than the national average. When combining the value added for Academic and Applied General subjects we achieved +0.09. This shows that students, on average, achieve above what is expected of them compared to similar students nationally with the same starting point.