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Fairfax Examination Results 2019

We are celebrating another successful year of GCSE performance. Exceptional standards have been maintained across all core subjects. 84% of students achieved grade 4 and above in English, 78% achieved grade 4 and above in Mathematics and 78% of students achieved two Science GCSEs at grade 4 or above. In addition, an amazing 64 grade 9s were achieved by Fairfax Academy students.

Pictured above left are some of our particularly high achievers: Miles Appleby, Alexandra Belshaw, Ellie Blackshields, Elysia Clarke, Jacob Denny, Katie Doyle, Daniel John, Harriet Little, De'Jhante Marston, Lily Massey, Chloe McDonald, Holly Oakley, Mia Reynolds, Katherine Richie, Luke Roberts, Adam Ruffle, Maisie Simpson, Alex Stapleton, Charlie Wheelwright, Jack Winters and Josh Woodcock.

We are also celebrating another year of A Level success with 79% of Year 13 students achieving a qualification at grade C or above, and over half of students achieving at least one A*-B grade. It is particularly pleasing that almost all students have got into the university of their choice, with many choosing to study at Russell Group universities, and others moving on to high quality training and apprenticeships.

Pictured above right are some of our particularly high performers: Ellen Ambris (AAB), Olivia Batey (AAA), Thomas Carruthers (A*A*A*), Angelica Dahil (A*AA), Adele Danaher (AAB), Jonie Davis (ABB), Penny Ellerington (A*A*A), Muhammad Ikraam (A*AA), Kiera Lloyd (A*A*A), Bethany O'Neill (AAB), Louie Roche (AAB), Leah Taylor (AAB), Harry Wheelwright (A*A*A) and Georgia Williams (ABB).

2019-20 Heads of Year Information:

Head of Year 7	Mrs Rose
Head of Year 8	Mr Ravenscroft
Assistant Head of Year	Mr Rainbow
Head of Year 9	Mr Gullis
Head of Year 10	Mrs Colbourne
Assistant Head of Year	Mr Clark
Head of Year 11	Miss Dowell
Assistant Head of Year	Mrs Barker

2019-20 Heads of House Information:

Coventry Head of House	Miss Blake
Assistant Head of House	Miss Martin
Kenilworth Head of House	Mrs Hunter-Stott
Assistant Head of House	Mrs Sharratt
Stratford Head of House	Mr Porter
Assistant Head of House	Miss Sutton
Warwick Head of House	Mrs Riddet-Smith
Assistant Head of House	Mr Carty

Opening Time

A reminder notice: the academy is open to students at 08:00 and not before due to there being no supervision available. Students are advised to plan their journey to school to arrive no earlier than 08:00. Students are allowed on site at 08:00 but must remain in The Refectory until 08:25.

Standards Reminder

Punctuality A reminder notice: punctuality is a very important aspect of life. This is a key focus for Fairfax Academy as we prepare our students for the world of work, where there will be high expectations of attendance and punctuality. Registration begins at 08:35, and so we advise students to be in school no later than 08:30. Students who arrive later than 08:35 can expect to receive a same day after school detention for 45 minutes.

Hair A reminder notice: natural hair colours only. Extreme haircuts, including tramlines in haircuts or eyebrows, are not permitted. Any hair accessories or adornments must be black.

Piercings A reminder notice: we allow one small stud in each ear. Any other piercings are unacceptable and must be removed for school.

Nose Studs A reminder notice: nose studs are not allowed and must be removed for school.

School Photographs

Year 7, 10 and 12 school photographs, taken on Wednesday, 4 September, will be issued to students w/b Monday, 16 September by form tutors.

On Monday, 9 September a whole school photograph will be taken on the school field for the 60th Anniversary of Fairfax School. Information about purchasing copies will be issued shortly.

School Shakespeare Festival 2019

This year's School Shakespeare Festival performance will take place on Tuesday, 5 November at The Old Rep. Students who wish to perform in 'Romeo and Juliet' should attend the open auditions on Wednesday, 11 September at 14:50 in C10.

Open Evening 2019

Please be reminded that our annual Open Evening will take place on Tuesday, 17 September 18:00-20:30. Permission letters are available in the Student Support Centre for student guides and faculty helpers. Fairfax will open at the later time of 10:45 on Wednesday, 18 September following Open Evening.

Early Closure for Students at 13:15 on Friday, 27 September 2019

Please be reminded of an early closure for students on Friday, 27 September 2019 at 13:15 in order to prepare for the Academy's 60th anniversary celebration event later that day.

Parent/Carer Calendar

Please see the attached calendar updated for 2019-20.

YEAR 7

An advance notice: the Year 7 Parent Information Evening is on Tuesday, 1 October at 18:00 in the hall.

An advance notice: following the Year 7 Parent Information Evening, there is a new parent PTA evening on Tuesday, 1 October at 19:00 in The Refectory. Please join us, email pta@fairfax.bham.sch.uk to confirm your attendance.

Your child has been given a letter to sign up to a new award scheme called The Duke of York Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award (iDEA). Students will be completing 'badges' towards their bronze award during some of their Business and Computing lessons. Please ensure your child is signed up so they may take part. Details are also on Show My Homework.

Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.

YEAR 8

A reminder notice: students invited by Mr Ravenscroft to attend the reward trip to Drayton Manor on Friday, 18 October must meet the revised payment deadline of Monday, 16 September 2019.

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YEAR 9	<p>Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.</p>
YEAR 10	<p>A reminder notice: the Y10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Practice Expedition departs on Friday, 13 September; the trip is now closed on ParentPay.</p> <p>A reminder notice: students invited by Mrs Colbourne to attend the reward trip to the SnowDome on Thursday, 28 November must meet the payment deadline of Friday, 27 September 2019.</p> <p>Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.</p>
YEAR 11	<p>Thank you to parents/carers who attended the Y11 Parent Information Evening on Thursday. The presentation is available on the school website.</p> <p>A reminder notice: students invited by Miss Dowell to attend the reward trip to Rush on Friday, 18 October must meet the payment deadline of Friday, 20 September 2019.</p> <p>Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.</p>
YEAR 12	<p>An advance notice: the Year 12 Parent Information Evening is on Tuesday, 10 September at 18:00 in the hall.</p> <p>An advance notice: Private Study in period 5 can be used as 'Home Study'. Students who have Private Study in period 5 will be permitted to leave the school site at lunchtime provided that they sign out in the Sixth Form prior to leaving.</p> <p>Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.</p>
YEAR 13	<p>A reminder notice: Private Study in period 5 may be taken as 'Home Study'. Students must sign out before leaving the school site.</p> <p>Overviews of our school clubs are attached, for your information. If you are interested in joining a club or you need more information, please see the relevant teacher, or email clubs@fairfax.bham.sch.uk.</p>