

Record Results In Summer Exams

The Thursdays of 14th and 21st August - Results days for A-level and GCSE - are always a tense time for all concerned. Nowadays we receive our results by e-mail the day before, but the postal delivery on Thursday is still the earliest we are permitted to pass on results to our students. From eight o'clock in the morning a steady stream of anxious youngsters gathered to collect their slips of paper. Some just picked them up and looked, others hid them until they were outside, one girl even asked for her slip to be put in an envelope so she could go home and open it there. She did this, then rang us back to say how pleased she was! Almost all students on both days were delighted with their success, nearly all in line with predictions, with only a few having to re-think their plans for the coming year.

A-level results - improvement yet again

Using any summary measure of results, 1997 represents the best we have had for many years.

- Our pass rate increased to 96%.
- The average points score per student rose by 1 point from last year to 21 (students score 10 points for an A, 8 for a B, 6 for a C, 4 for a D and 2 for an E).
- Passes at the higher grades (A B or C) rose to 66%, beating our previous best of 58% (achieved last year).
- Every student once again passed in at least one subject. The vast majority passed 4 A-levels.
- Individual successes included 4 passes at grade A (Nicola Berry), one student achieving A's in her main 3 subjects (Rachel Barber), and another who achieved 5 high level passes - 2 A's, 3 B's and a Special Paper Pass (Dominic Edsall)
- The first group to study A-level Sociology at Malton achieved a 100% pass rate, with an A and 5 B's, 2C's, 2 D's, 2 E's.

GCSE Results - In Line With Expectations

The percentage gaining passes at grades A* to C is not as high for this group as last year's, (49% compared with 65% last year). At Malton we always measure each individual against their potential and determine whether they have done well for themselves. Our results are in line with staff estimates made earlier this year - and students have performed as expected.

- This was Malton's smallest year group for many years with only 72 students, and with intake numbers rising it will probably remain the smallest. They still achieved 68 A grades, with 13 of these designated special A's (A stars).
- 97% of entries resulted in a pass grade (A to G), with 49% at grade C or above.
- 94% of students passed at least one subject; 86% passed at least 5. 42% achieved grade C in 5 or more subjects.
- Two students achieved A grades in all subjects they entered - Alice Atherton and Laura Harrison both achieved 3 A* passes and 6 A's.
- Boys and girls performances were more or less evenly balanced - the top four students were girls, but 3% more boys than girls achieved 5 or more A-C passes.

A full breakdown of results will appear in the Annual Report at the end of this month.

We wish all our examination students well in the next stage of their lives, whether it be back with us for Advanced level study, out to work, or on to college or university.

Newsletters

Parents can expect a newsletter on the first Friday of each half term. Occasionally an additional edition will be published, if we have urgent news to communicate between these dates.

New Malton Pupils And Students

A warm welcome to the 96 members of our new Year 7, 49 members of Year 12 (24 of whom are new to the School), new pupils to other Year groups and their families. We trust that everyone will settle in quickly and find their time at Malton both enjoyable and fulfilling. Parents are urged to contact Mrs Green (Years 7-9), Mr Thomas (Years 10-11) or Mr Ewing (Years 12-13) if they have any concerns or queries.

New Members Of Staff

We welcome to the School:

Ms S Richardson Games, Geography,
Mathematics, Youth Award

Miss C Wiseman English and Sociology

School Improvements

Over the Summer holiday Room 9 has been completely re-furnished as a second Food Technology and Textiles room, to accommodate increased demand for the subject. The former Youth Centre is in the process of being re-fitted as a Music Centre, with facilities for orchestral, choir and brass ensemble practices as well as normal classroom teaching. The East Wing Gym car park and driveways have been re-surfaced. New computers have been purchased bringing our computer network up to full capacity, and new chairs have been provided in the library.

Advance Notice

Monday, 3 November 1997

Sale of sports clothes by Walker Sports.
Adidas, Reebok, Nike etc at up to 50% off
recommended prices.

Commission to PTA funds

Buy early for Christmas!

Uniform

It is pleasing to see pupils return to school so neatly dressed. Our insistence on one single type of jumper - with school badge - seems to have met with general approval, and is helping keep appearances neat and tidy. A reminder please to parents that if unusual circumstances prevent your son or daughter wearing normal uniform, they should bring a note from you explaining the temporary problem. Two particular reminders - trainers are not acceptable as normal footwear, and ties must be worn every day. Thank you for your continued support in upholding our pupils' high standard of dress.

School Photographs

Year 7 photographs will be taken sometime during this term. If any parent/guardian wishes to make a special request for family groups please inform Mrs Green or Mrs Lovegrove in writing before 4 October.

Forthcoming events

19 Sept	Sponsored Walk
25 Sept	Annual Governors' Report published
8 Oct	PTA Annual General Meeting
13 -17 Oct	Year 7-9 French trip Year 10 Residential trips Year 12 Geography Field Trip
15 Oct	Annual Governor/Parent Meeting
15 Oct	PTA 'Colour Me Beautiful' Evening (further details to be issued shortly)
20 -24 Oct	Half term holiday