

Press Release - Year 11 GCSE Results – Thursday 20th August 2026

John Mason School was full of excitement and celebration this morning as Year 11 students collected their GCSE results and reflected on the achievements of the last five years. Parents, staff and governors are immensely proud of the resilience, determination and hard work shown by this year group throughout their studies.

Many students achieved outcomes that will enable them to progress to their chosen sixth form courses, apprenticeships and college pathways. For some, today's results represent exceptional academic success; for others, they reflect the perseverance and commitment required to secure the grades needed to pursue long-held ambitions. Whatever their destination, students leave John Mason with every reason to feel proud of what they have achieved.

Among a wide range of excellent individual performances, Catherine achieved an outstanding nine Grade 9s, an exceptional achievement that places her among the highest-performing students in the school's recent history.. A number of other students also secured exceptional results, demonstrating both academic excellence and remarkable personal progress.

Whilst some students achieved exceptional academic outcomes, many others deserve equal recognition for the determination and resilience they demonstrated in securing the grades needed to progress to their chosen post-16 pathways. Their success is equally worthy of celebration.



David, Patrick, Catherine and Sam will be returning to JMF6 to follow a range of Science and Mathematics A Level pathways at JMF6.



Jasper was pleased with his results after all his hard work.

This year's outcomes show a continuing improvement in key measures. There were increase in the proportion of students achieving both English and Mathematics at Grade 5 or above, whilst those achieving Grade 4 or above in both subjects also rose. Students achieved particularly strong outcomes across a broad range of subjects. Significant improvements were seen in Geography and modern foreign

languages, including French, German and Spanish, whilst strengths were maintained in Art, Mandarin, Music and Graphics.



Hope, Nicole and Kyla celebrated an excellent set of results and are excited to continue their studies at JMF6 this September.



Hani and Conrad were all smiles after receiving their results and are looking forward to studying A Levels at JMF6.

Alastair West, Headteacher, said: "We are immensely proud of this year's cohort. Behind every set of results is a story of commitment, resilience and determination. Whether students have achieved the very highest grades or secured the results needed for their next step, they should be enormously proud of what they have accomplished. We wish them every success as they move on to the next stage of their education and careers."

Staff were delighted to celebrate alongside students and their families as they opened their results and confirmed their next steps. Many students will continue their studies at JMF6, while others will move on to colleges and training providers across Oxfordshire and beyond.



Lucy, Josie, Connie and Patricia each celebrated a fantastic set of results.

Today's results reflect not only the dedication of our students, but also the support provided by families, staff and the wider community. We congratulate every member of the Class of 2026 and look forward to following their future successes.

Alastair West, Headteacher, John Mason School