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A LEVEL RESULTS 2022

Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Sixth Form

Sixth form students and staff at Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School in Coventry are celebrating unprecedented A Level results after the return of public exams.

The sixth form reported a 100 per cent pass rate with 27 per cent of students achieving A*/A, a 10 per cent increase on 2019 – the last year that in-person examinations were sat. The exams were the first major public examinations that the current cohort have sat, following the cancelation of their GCSEs at the beginning of the pandemic.

Richard Kingshott, head of sixth form at Cardinal Wiseman, said: "Congratulations to all students who have received their results today. Confronted by so much that none of us could have predicted, this amazing group of young people have not sought excuses. We are extremely proud of all of them.

"As a school of sanctuary, Cardinal Wiseman is particularly thrilled with the achievements of the students who completed our Foundation Programme before embarking on their Level 3 studies.

"Despite only arriving in the UK three years ago with no qualifications, these students have embraced the opportunities to progress in their education at our Sixth Form and are now able to continue on to further study at university.



"This set of results is testament to our students' determination to achieve academic excellence, fulfil their aspirations and continue their journey to be the best they can be."

Malachy Fawcett achieved an A* in Maths, A in Further Maths, A in Physics and a B in Chemistry, securing a place on the Dyson Degree Apprenticeship – the only person in the city to do so. He said: "I'm very happy, it was lots of hard work but definitely worth it. The transition from first year to second year was massive. Some things really clicked but some other things took a while but overall it was a great experience. I couldn't be happier about what I've achieved, and I'm excited to be doing my degree apprenticeship as spaces are very competitive." He concluded, "my teachers were

really good throughout in each of my subjects and

I've had a great last couple of years."

Elizabeth Henry achieved two A*s in Economics and Physics as well as an A Maths, and will go on to study Economics at the University of Warwick. She said: "I really wasn't expecting these results. I've had amazing support from all of my teachers throughout the year and I think they really made the difference.

"This is my first proper exam experience, I don't think I've ever been as nervous as that in my whole life but I just tried to prepare and stay calm and I got there in the end. Maths was my biggest struggle but I worked really hard and it's paid off in the end. It's been a nervous wait but I'm thrilled that I can look forward to the next chapter now."

Declan Booth, achieved three A* results in Chemistry, Maths and Further Maths, and will study Maths at the University of Warwick. He said: "I feel absolutely fantastic, I definitely wasn't expecting that. Every single staff member has been really supportive, and I wouldn't have been able to do this without them. The hardest subject was further maths but I found it really interesting and I loved doing it, which is why I'm carrying it on to university. I'm really looking forward to celebrating with my family and friends, and then a rest before the next chapter starts."



Kian Burke achieved an A* in Biology and two As in Chemistry and Maths, and hopes to work in a hospital during a gap year before studying medicine. He said: "I've done a lot better than expected. Sixth Form has been amazing and the teachers have been incredible, they've been faultless and went a long way to helping me get these results. It's been really fun and I'm going to miss it. I like having that challenge but it's been great to have someone there to direct me and help me succeed. Once I got my first exam out the way I felt good because I had done the hard work and my teachers had really helped me prepare."

Khiara Gardose achieved three As in Biology, Chemistry and Economics, and will study Optometry at Cardiff University. She said: "I'm feeling really happy. I found those exams really tough and the last couple of years has really been a rollercoaster but I feel like my effort has been rewarded. At the beginning of the year there was a lot of content to get through and I really had to spend a lot of time with each subject.

"With my teachers supporting me and boosting my confidence, and my family and friends helping me along the way, I couldn't be happier with how the last couple of years have gone and I can make a great start on my career in optometry."

James Sarginson achieved three As in Economics, Geography and Psychology, and will study Global Sustainable Development at the University of Warwick. He said: "It's been a bit of a blur, just going from one exam to the other. But it was a good experience and I'm really happy with how it went. I tried to be chilled but still work hard in the build-up and I think it's worked as I've got the place I really wanted and I'm excited for what's next."

On behalf of the Cardinal Wiseman staff team, we pass on our congratulations to all students who received results. We are incredibly proud of you all.