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St James' Sixth Form Achieve an Amazing Set of Results, Reaching New Heights of Achievement

St. James' Catholic High School, in Colindale, is delighted to announce the outstanding Post-16 results achieved by its students this academic year 2022-2023. These results stand as a testament to the dedication and concerted efforts exhibited by the students, who have gone above and beyond to attain remarkable outcomes.

Throughout the academic year, St. James' students have worked extremely hard, supported and guided by a group of experienced and dedicated teachers. Their efforts have truly paid off, culminating in outstanding achievements that reflect the determination to succeed.

Headteacher, Anthony Elull was quoted as saying

"I'm really pleased with our results, our top grades at A Level match those achieved last year, which were our best ever. This is despite the reported reduction in the number of top grades awarded this year.

Our vocational results have continued to improve and again are the best achieved historically, with over half of pupils achieving the top Distinction, or Distinction*.

St James' students secured an amazing 26.2% of A*- A grades, 56.7% of A*- B grades, 86.6% of A*- C grades, and 98.8% of A*- E grades. St James' Sixth Form has achieved remarkable results, well done to all pupils and staff. Consequently, 25% of students from St James' have secured their places at Russell Group universities, including one pupil choosing Cambridge University.

Congratulations to all the students at St James' for achieving these outstanding results."

"I'm relieved and so pleased to get these incredible results. It was a challenging experience taking these exams, not having sat formal GCSE exams during the pandemic. I've worked so hard to achieve my A*AA. I'm excited to take up my place at Cambridge University to study Architecture." ~ Nicole

"I'm so happy with my results, A*AA. All my hard work has paid off. I've received amazing support and encouragement from my teachers here at St James', especially Mr Ponsonby, Head of Year 13. I'm off to Leeds University to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics." ~ Patryk

Head of Sixth Form, Mr Alex Aldridge ~ "What a year it has been! We are so proud of all our pupils who have completed their Post-16 study at St James'. All have worked so hard to live out our school mission statement and have truly been a symbol of living their life to the full. These results are a testament to their hard work and dedication. We wish all our pupils the very best in their next stage of education, work and life. They know that there will always be a place for them to come back to, as they are as much a part of our community now, as they were when they joined us. Lastly, to all our pupils who have left us this year, please take heed of this quote from Mother Theresa of Calcutta: "We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love." God Bless you all."

Guided by the mission statement, "I have come that they may have life and have it to the full" (John 10:10), St James Catholic High School remains committed to fostering holistic development among its students, so they can reach their full potential, have integrity as a person and have a strong personal vision for adult life.

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Notes for editors

St James' is a mixed, voluntary aided Catholic Secondary School in Colindale for pupils aged 11–18.

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