



## Archbishop McGrath's 2018 A Level success



*Konstancja Preisner gaining her scholarship at Swansea University*

There were scenes of delight and celebration on results day for the class of 2018. Year Thirteen students have had notable successes gaining places at **prestigious universities** on the most competitive courses.

## Archbishop McGrath pair off to Cambridge



*Cambridge bound Morgan Phillips and Georgina Taylor with Director of Education Lindsay Harvey*

Amongst the many outstanding results were the performances of **Morgan Phillips** (A\*, A\*, A\*, A\*) and **Georgina Taylor** (A\*, A\*, A, A) who gained places in the University of Cambridge to study Natural Sciences and Theology respectively. Georgina “can’t wait to study at Cambridge”. She thanked the school as “this could not have been achieved without the overwhelming support of my teachers”. Morgan “could not be happier with his results” saying “it was hard work but worthwhile.”

#### **Future Medics: the “hard work pays off”**



***Medics of the future Carla Elipane and Georgia Phillips***

Stellar grades were also achieved by Morgan’s sister, **Georgia Phillips** (A\*, A, A, B). Georgia said she “could not be happier...the hard work and tears have paid off!” Their proud parents were “beyond words” and recognised the dedicated duo “could not have done more”. She gained a place to study Medicine along with **Carla Elipane** (A, A, A, B), who was “over the moon”. **Eve Clark** will go to study at the Royal Veterinary College. The choice of universities was wide ranging and Konstancja Preisner’s results earned her an **excellence scholarship** at the University of Swansea.

#### **One third of results at an A grade and above**

Headteacher, Mrs Keller, was keen to emphasise the **success across the school**. “There are amazing performances and we are immensely **proud of every pupil**. They have great character and I am sure they will achieve great things. It is amazing that once again over a third of results were at A grade and above. However, for me what has made this year group stand out has been their **generous spirits** and the aspirational example that they have set the rest of the school. They have not just set the bar high in terms of examination performance but the service they have given our school community. They always have been ready to help others, showing compassion, love and gratitude. They all wholeheartedly **deserve their successes**. We hope they leave as happy as they have been in

Archbishop and look forward to hearing of their bright futures. I would also like to thank the tremendous support of the parents”.

### **25% of pupils achieve 3 grade As or more**

The school saw large numbers aspire to top universities with 62% of pupils receiving offers from Russell Group universities. Deputy Headteacher, Mr Dunn, praised their achievements; “this group were fantastic at **seizing opportunities**, whether in the form of university visits or interview preparation, and have been ambitious in their target destinations. It is a highly competitive arena and we are delighted in their levels of achievement and the gutsy determination they have shown. They have been a fantastic part of our **school community** and the year group have been the **greatest advert for the school.**”

Head of Sixth form, Mr McAleer thanked the students for “being a credit to the school and their families. We look forward to hearing about the great impact that they will have on the world in the future.” Chair of Governors, Dennis Hooper, emphasised that the “school continues to go from **strength to strength** thanks to the outstanding dedication of the staff of the school.”

The following pupils achieved particularly outstanding results:

Amelia Bunce	A*, A, A, A	Law
Eve Clark	A*, A*, A	Veterinary Science
Angharad Croot	A, A, A	Music
Olivia Curtis	A*, A, A	Law
Carla Elipane	A, A, A, B	Medicine
Katrin Higginson	A*, A, A, B	Medicine
Kuganan Jegatheeswaran	A*, A, A, C	Civil Engineering
Lizlie Jorolan	A, A, A, B	Architecture
Georgia Phillips	A*, A, A, B	Medicine
Morgan Philips	A* A* A* A*	Natural Sciences
Konstancja Preisner	A, A, A, B, B	Business Management
Grace Speakman	A, A, A, A	Mathematics
Georgina Taylor	A*, A*, A, A	Theology

“Thank you to my amazing teachers! With their help I managed to achieve an A\* and 3 As and get into my first choice university to study Law.” Amelia Bunce, Head Girl (Law, University of Exeter)

“I was so relieved when I got into my first choice university. I could not have done it without the amazing support of all the teachers!” Caila Ranola (Theology, University of Nottingham)

“Over the moon to have been accepted into Cardiff University to read Medicine. I’d like to thank all my teachers.” Carla Elipane (Medicine, University of Cardiff)