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Keswick School – outstanding exam performance data caps a year with <u>two</u> outstanding Ofsted inspections

The government has just published GCSE performance data from this summer's exams for all secondary schools, sixth forms and colleges.

We are delighted that the exam results achieved by the students at Keswick School are once again recognised as being the highest in Cumberland and one of the highest in the NW of England (including when compared against local grammar schools).

This reflects the high-quality curriculum on offer at Keswick School and the rigour with which our students are prepared for their public exams. The data published for the school is:

Progress 8 score = 0.39 (significantly above average)
This compared to the Cumbria state-funded schools average progress 8 score of -0.18

Attainment 8 score = 54.1 This compares to the local authority average of 42.3

Grade 5 or above in English and Maths = 65.6% This compares to the local authority average of 38.4% (91% of our students achieved a grade 4 or above in both English and Maths)

Entering the EBacc = 68.4%
This compares to the local authority average of 32.1%

EBacc average point score = 5.19
This compares to the local authority average of 3.75

A value-added score in languages of 1.2 (which reflects our position as a Language Hub and will be one of the highest value-added scores in the country)

This exam data is for a Year 11 cohort of 209 students. It reflects the outstanding attitude of our students along with teaching staff who go the extra mile to ensure that every student is well supported.

Such results do not come about by chance. The secret is a friendly school community where students support each other to achieve but are also highly self-motivated and quietly competitive. Walking round the school exemplifies this culture. Considerate, kind young people who want to do the right thing and are proud of being part of the school. Staff who are experts at what they do but also care about the students to help them personally as well as academically. It is an atmosphere that can only be experienced in person on a typical school day

Our ambition is to provide a world class education and create the leaders of tomorrow, and we welcome anyone who shares the same philosophy to join us.

Simon Jackson (Head teacher) comments:

'This year's exam results reflect the achievements of our talented students and dedicated staff. Keswick School's ethos is to provide excellence and aspiration in a caring and happy school. We appreciate that, in addition to academic achievement, other qualities are equally likely to lead to success later in life. It is this ability to broaden horizons that continue to help our students develop into highly articulate, confident and successful young people. It has been great to have this also recognised in outstanding Boarding and School Ofsted inspections this year.'

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