



24 October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of our first half term, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to reflect on what has already been an incredibly positive start to the school year.

Examination Success

We began the term by celebrating the achievements of our Year 11 and Year 13 students who sat their examinations in the summer. Their results reflected a huge amount of hard work, determination, and commitment, and I would like to congratulate them once again. We are incredibly proud of what they achieved and wish those who have now moved on from Poynton every success in the next stage of their education, training, or employment.

Year 11

- Attainment 8 = 54.4 (the national average is 46.2). Attainment 8 combines results from eight qualifications, including English and maths, to produce an overall score.
- Students achieving grade 5 or higher in GCSE English and Maths = 62.6% (the national average is 46.3%)
- Students achieving grade 4 or higher in GCSE English and Maths = 81.9% (there is no national average figure published for 2026, but it was 64.8% in 2025)
- 28% of all GCSE grades were the highest grades of 7-9.

Year 13

- 11.4% of our A level grades were A*
- 28.4% of grades were grades A-A*
- 76.4% were graded A*-C
- These excellent grades enabled students to progress to prestigious courses such as Medicine and Dentistry and to accept places at universities across the country ranging from Oxford University and University College, London to Leeds and York Universities
- Students also accepted places on degree apprenticeships in fields such as supply chain management and accountancy
- Good luck to all the students whether they have chosen university, training, or employment as their next step in life.

The success of last year's students should inspire our current students to aim high and achieve their potential.



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Congratulations to Year 7

It has also been a real pleasure to welcome our new Year 7 students. They have settled into life at Poynton High School extremely well and have approached the opportunities and challenges of secondary school with enthusiasm and confidence. I was particularly proud to see so many of them involved in our recent Open Evening. The way they represented the school, spoke to prospective families, and demonstrated their pride in being part of our community was genuinely impressive. Seeing students speak to a packed hall of parents only four weeks into their time at high school made me really proud.

My Child at School

A quick reminder to parents and carers to continue to make use of the My Child at School (MCAS) app, which is an important way of keeping up to date with information about your child and their school experience. If you have not yet accessed the app, I would encourage you to do so. Information about the app and how to access it can be found at [Poynton High School & Performing Arts College - Bromcom & MCAS Support](#). There is an equivalent app for students, and I would encourage them to download the app to see timetables and other information. Information for students is at [Poynton High School & Performing Arts College - Bromcom](#).

There has been a huge amount achieved in just a few weeks, and I would like to thank our students for the positive contribution they make to the school every day, our staff for their continued hard work and commitment, and you, our parents and carers, for your ongoing support.

I hope that all our students and their families enjoy a well-earned and restful half-term break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back for the next half term.

With best wishes,

Matthew Dean

Headteacher

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