



18th October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a superb start to the school year at Riverside School in our new £45million Campus building, we have now settled in and are really enjoying the excellent facilities. Our congratulations go out to last year's Year 11 for an amazing set of examination results. I'm very pleased to inform you that Riverside School's first ever GCSE examination results were the best in the borough and place the school in the top 4% of schools nationally, our progress is described by the DfE as WELL above average. Please look at the DfE school league tables 2017 to compare Riverside School with other schools locally and nationally: <https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk>. I've included a simplified table below which includes late results so it will be a little more accurate than the DfE website. Individual subject results are available on our school website. These results really demonstrate the true commitment and determination from our students and staff to achieve the best possible grades.

GCSE Results 2017

Headline average national figures	National	Riverside School	Difference
Attainment 8 (A8)	44.20	52.97	+8.77
% Basics 5+ (in both English and maths)	39.1%	53.0%	+13.9
% entered for Ebacc	34.9%	78.4%	+43.5
% achieving 5/C+ in Ebacc	19.5%	52.25%	+32.75
Progress 8 (P8)	0.0	0.7	+0.7

The challenge now is for the present Year 11 to strive for even better results in 2018. Please find your son/daughter's individual Progress Report attached to this letter, any queries should be referred to your son/daughter's Head of Year in the first instance. It's excellent to note Year 7s have settled in very well and are already making great strides towards an excellent set of GCSE results.

ParentPay top-up

Following the successful introduction of our biometric payment system, Parent Pay debt must be repaid over the October half-term break or your son or daughter will not be able to take school lunches in November until your account is in credit. Log in at <https://www.parentpay.com/public/client/security/#/login> to credit your

account. Any queries or problems please contact the ParentPay administrator: Ms E Seiliute eise@riverside.bardaglea.org.uk or phone directly 0203 946 5814.

ClassCharts: <https://www.classcharts.com/parent/login>

Class Charts is our new behaviour tracking platform and we are now ready to enable access to all parents. The parent app allows you to monitor behaviour and so support the school in rewarding positive behaviour and reducing the negative. The app will also notify you of any outstanding detentions. On Thursday, along with your child's progress report, you will receive a login page with more information including your login details and how to access your account. You will see that your child already has behaviour data recorded from this first half term.

Term Dates

This Friday, 20th October, is Professional Development Day; therefore, the students' last day this half-term is Thursday 19th October. Please refer to our website for the term dates and to stay up-to-date with our latest news, we also have a twitter account @RiversideCampus. All students return to school on Monday 30th October for the usual 8.40am start.

Yours Sincerely,



Mr A. Roberts

Headteacher