

# The Royal School Hampstead

## Examinations Report 2009

### Introduction from the Headmistress

I am delighted to present this year's Examinations' Report which provides you with information about our recent examination results. Although a good school is about much more than good examination results, it is gratifying to be able to measure our girls' excellent performance compared with National standards. We are a small school and what matters to us is individual performance relative to potential. Congratulations to all the girls on their results, thank you to all the staff for their hard work and I am grateful to Mrs Anastasi for compiling this report.

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#### SATs Results

At Key Stage 1 – This level is now reached through ongoing teacher assessment instead of tests at the end of the year. The tests are still used but simply as one strand of the evidence used to arrive at the child's level.

At Key Stage 2 – Formal SATs tests take place. Pupils are expected to reach Level 4 in English, Maths and Science. At The Royal School, every pupil achieved Level 4 in English and Science, with the majority reaching Level 5. In Mathematics, most pupils achieved Level 4 and one pupil reached Level 5.

At Key Stage 3 – These tests no longer take place. We set internal examinations to monitor pupil progress against predictions and targets.

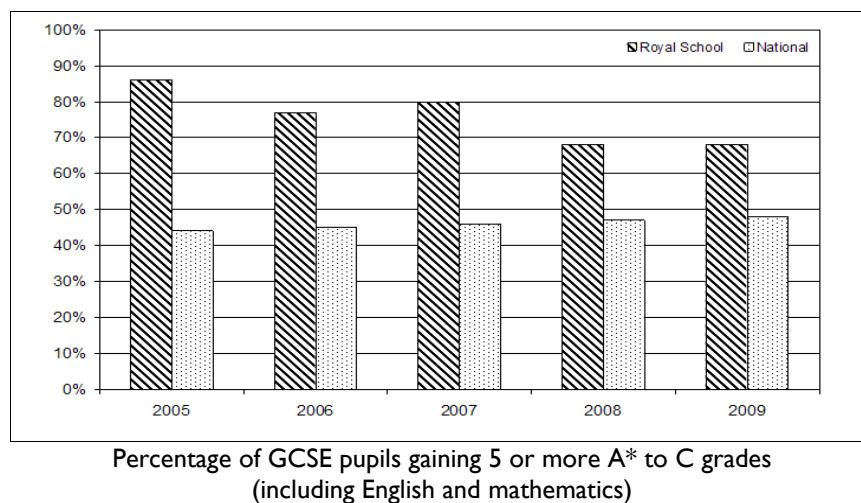
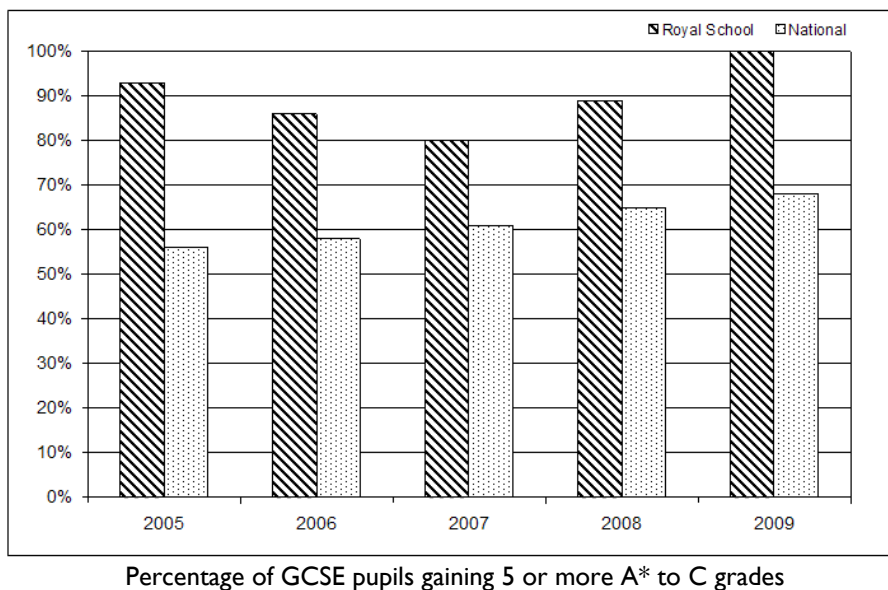
#### GCSE Results

Sixteen girls took GCSEs this year and the pass rate (A\* to G grades) was an outstanding 100%. 75% of our pupils gained 5 or more A\* to C grades including Maths and English. (National Average 48%). The results are much better than those predicted when these pupils first entered into our senior school and they reflect the hard work of the girls as well as the value-added contribution made by the school. One pupil deserves a special mention: Kaylah De Jager who took 8 GCSE subjects gaining 4 A grades and 4 B grades.

This year, the national average of A\* to C grade passes for all candidates was 67%. In comparison, the average for our pupils was 87% and continues to be well above the national average. Overall, our pupils took 129 examinations between them gaining A\* to C grades in 112 subjects.

In addition to the above, two girls from Year 10 (Caitlin Nolan and Billie Hylton) took their French GCSE a year early and both gained a B grade. We also had nine Year 10 pupils taking the History Short GCSE examination. Four of them gained A\* grades. Three of the girls received the "Outstanding Achievement" award from Edexcel. Well done Serena Furnell, Juliana Gosheva and Hannah Kelvin!

The following graphs show our results compared with the national average. Since our numbers are small, one or two pupils not gaining 5 A\* to C grades has a large impact on our percentage figures.



### **A level Results**

Our final nine sixth form students gained some excellent results this year. The pass rate was 96% with 33% of students gaining A grades. Anna Rotenberga deserves a special mention - she gained 4 A grades. We wish our students well with their future studies.

*Compiled by Mrs Anastasi – Curriculum Director of ICT*