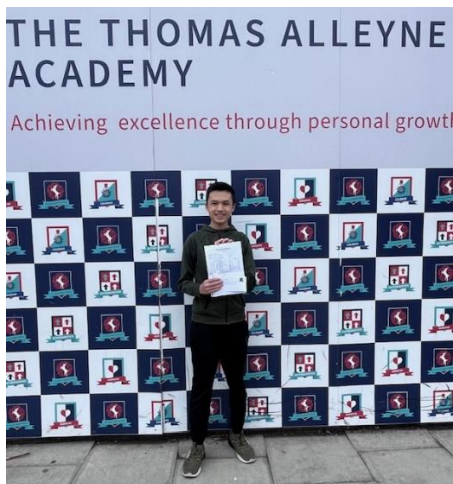


Students across Stevenage have worked incredibly hard this year to achieve success in their examinations. We are all very proud of them.

Stevenage Headteachers will not be publishing overall statistics, but are instead celebrating individual students' achievements.

The Thomas Alleyne Academy were celebrating the results of their students' hard work today with some excellent results. Headteacher, Mark Lewis, said "We are delighted with our students' GCSE results and they should be very proud of their achievements. We wish them all the best in their next steps and look forward to welcoming many of them back to Thomas Alleyne's in September as they begin their A-levels studies in our sixth-form."



We are particularly proud of Rui Zhou, who gained seven grade 9s and two grade 8s. He will be staying at Thomas Alleyne's next year, to study biology, chemistry, maths and further maths, and said this morning 'I'm both shocked and delighted with my results. I'm so grateful for the support I've had from both my parents and my teachers to help me do so well and I'd like to thank my maths teachers in particular for helping me achieve my grade 9s in maths and further maths.'



Wunbeni Sanda also did exceptionally well, achieving eight grade 9s and two grade 8s overall. She said 'I'm speechless! I'm delighted with my grades and I feel ready to start my A-levels next month now that I know I've done so well.'

Tobi Oyekanmi-Williams and Aalya El Kobtan, pictured here with Wunbeni, did brilliantly too, gaining four grade 9s, eight grade 8s and a distinction between them. Tobi said 'I'm so proud of myself - I'm over the moon with my grades' and Aalya added 'I worked really hard for this and I'm relieved that I've done so well. I'm really looking forward to continuing my studies here next term'.



We also want to congratulate Varsha Senthilkumar and Lucy Simpson, who both received six grade 9s and two grade 8s today, along with Jack Robinson, who received five grade 9s, two grade 8s and three grade 7s. Lucy will be continuing her studies at Thomas Alleyn's to work towards a degree in veterinary science, saying 'I'm speechless at the moment. I'm just so pleased with how well I've done'. Varsha is equally pleased, and said 'I feel quite overwhelmed right now! I'm so grateful to all my teachers for their amazing support, both academically and emotionally. They believed in my abilities even when I didn't and all the hard work has been totally worth it'. Jack added 'I can't believe I've done so well. I can't wait to start my A-levels at TAA soon and will be working just as hard over the next couple of years so that I take the next steps towards a career in medicine.'



Hannah Lovelock, Frankie Bailes and George Bunyan also got a great set of grades today, including six grade 9s, a distinction* and seven grade 8s between them. Hannah said 'I'm so happy right now! My results are great and they've given me what I need so that I can start my A-levels with confidence next year.' Frankie is 'really delighted' with his results, which have secured his A-level choices of economics, business, maths and further maths. George is aspiring to become a physiotherapist so will be studying biology and sports science amongst his A-level choices. He said 'I'm really looking forward to joining the sixth-form now that I've got such good grades.'