



Message from the Headteacher, Staff and Governors

76% 5A*-C Grades

Best ever GCSE results again for The Swinton High School!

Congratulations to all of our year 11 leavers who achieved 75% 5A*-C grades this summer.

This was our:-

- Sixth successive year of GCSE A*-C grade improvements
- Fifth successive year of 'Best Ever' 5A*-C grades
- Best ever 5A*-C grades including English and mathematics
- Best ever 5A*-C grades including level 2 literacy and numeracy
- Third successive year that we expect to be members of the elite Specialist Schools and Academies Trust most Improved Schools Club



Ofsted May 2007

“A good and rapidly improving school”

Our school had a routine Ofsted inspection in May. Overall, we were judged to be a good school with outstanding practice in:

How well we work in partnership with others to promote the well being of our pupils.
The extent to which pupils make a positive contribution to the community.

Our good (above average) work was in the following key areas:

Overall effectiveness.
Students speak positively about the impressive care and support they receive (Ofsted May 2007)

Achievement and Standards

Students' Personal Development and Wellbeing
Students feel safe (Ofsted May 2007)

Teaching and Learning
“The quality of teaching and learning is good and a significant proportion is outstanding” (Ofsted May 07)

Curriculum and Other Activities
“A wide range of extra curricular activities including sport and the performing arts broadens students' horizons. It leads them to make an outstanding contribution to the enrichment of people's lives both in school and in the local community” (Ofsted May 2007)

Care, Guidance and Support
“Our teachers and teaching assistants are always willing to put themselves out to help us” (A pupil speaking to Ofsted inspectors, May 2007)

Best Ever Attendance

Our attendance figures last school year were the best our school has ever achieved and represent our third successive year of best ever attendance. It is clear that good attendance and good examination results go hand in hand.

School is nearly full: just a few places left!

Again, our year 7 intake is almost full as we draw pupils from as many as 26 feeder primary schools. Our school now has very few places in any of its year groups and, overall, our pupil roll rises annually.

Year 9 SAT Results

Annual improvements in our year 9 SAT results continue. Our mathematics and science results show our best ever year on year rate of improvement!

Commitment and Partnership

All of these successes can only be possible with commitment and partnership from all parties: staff, governors, parents and pupils. This partnership is something we value very highly.

Parents' Evening Attendance

Our parents' evenings and review days last year were all well attended and we know from experience that good parental attendance at these events is one important indicator of pupil progress. Your youngsters benefit from knowing that you care about their progress by attending parents' evenings and review days and that we are working together.

Better Results Next Year!

Despite all of this good news, you have our assurance that we will be working harder than ever to improve in every way and we are determined to go higher, faster and further for our pupils.

Great Start in Life

Our staff and governors have worked hard to give our youngsters the best possible start in life and we wish them all the very best for the future!

From the headteacher, staff and governors of The Swinton High School,
a specialist college for the performing arts.