Provisional Headline KS4 GCSE results 2018 for CLA pupils looked after continuously for a year as at 31st March 2018 and all year 11 CLA pupils (23/08/2018).

Key Stage 4 GCSE results were released to schools and students on the 23/08/2018. The short briefing note below, based on early provisional data provides an overview of Southampton's performance for CLA pupils looked after continuously for a year as at the 31st March 2018 and all year 11 CLA pupils. National and other Local Authority data will not be published by the DfE for several months and therefore comparisons will be made, where available, against last year's National data for CLA pupils. Following this release, a further briefing note will be issued outlining Southampton's performance compared to Statistical Neighbours and National.

Changes to Key Stage 4 accountability

In 2016, new school accountability was introduced which includes two new headline measures; Progress 8 and Attainment 8. Progress 8 is a value added measure where a pupil's results are compared with the achievements of other pupils with the same prior attainment at the end of Key Stage 2. Attainment 8 measures the achievements of pupils across 8 qualifications including English and Maths (double weighted), three Ebacc subjects and three other GCSE or DfE approved non-GCSE qualifications. Please be aware that no Progress 8 figures are included in this briefing note. The DfE publish Progress 8 outcomes later in the year so reporting is only possible at this point.

In 2017, new, reformed English and Maths GCSEs were first examined and a new grading of 9-1 was introduced, with 9 being the highest grade. All other GCSE subjects were graded A*-G in 2017 and converted to a scale of 9-1 to ensure compatibility with English and Maths when calculating Attainment 8 and Progress 8 scores. In 2018, additional English Baccalaureate subjects were given the new grading of 9-1. Consequently, any comparisons made between 2018 and 2017 results for the key headline performance measures must be treated with caution.

The headline English Baccalaureate (Ebacc) indicator has been changed for 2018 and is now focused on an average points score achieved in English, Maths, two Sciences, Humanities (Geography or History) and a Language. The Performance Tables will also still report on the percentage of pupils entering and achieving the Ebacc at both the strong (grade 5+) and standard (grade 4+) pass.

Headlines

In advance of results day, the Data Team and Virtual School had been in contact with all schools where a CLA pupil is educated to agree that as corporate parents, we would receive information about the pupil's achievements. Southampton's provisional KS4 cohort of pupils consisted of 33 CLA pupils and of those, 27 were looked after continuously for 12 months. 6 pupils within the CLA cohort were either recorded as EOTAS (Education Other Than At School) or were educated in a provision that is not included in the DfE methodology and are therefore excluded from the calculations in this briefing note.

- Southampton's average Attainment 8 outcome for children who have been looked after continuously for at least twelve months was 21.0 (equivalent of a grade E (2.0) across eight subjects). In 2017, Southampton and National CLA pupils achieved an Attainment 8 average of 15.5 and 19.3 respectively.
- 3 out of Southampton's 27 looked after pupils continuously for at least 12 months (11.1%) achieved a 9-4 in English and Maths. The CLA National average comparator in 2017 was 17.0%.

Looked After Children - 1 year continuous

The analysis below is focused on those pupils that have been looked after continuously for 12 months as at 31st March 2018. There were 27 pupils within this cohort and therefore each pupil counts for 3.7%.

- 7.4% (2 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in English Language or English Literature in 2018. In 2017, 8.0% of Southampton CLA and 16% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in English Language or English Literature.
- 18.5% (5 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in English Language or English Literature in 2018. In 2017, 12.0% of Southampton CLA and 27% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in English Language or English Literature.
- 3.7% (1 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in Maths in 2018. In 2017, 4.0% of Southampton CLA and 11% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in Maths.
- 25.9% (7 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in Maths in 2018.
 In 2017, 12.0% of Southampton CLA and 23% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in Maths.
- 0.0% (0 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in English and Maths in 2018. In 2017, 4.0% of Southampton CLA and 7% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in English and Maths.
- 11.1% (3 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in English and Maths in 2018. In 2017, 4.0% of Southampton CLA and 17% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in English and Maths.
- 0% (0 no.) of CLA pupils were entered for the English Baccalaureate (EBacc) in 2018. In 2017, 12.0% of Southampton CLA pupils and 9% of National CLA pupils were entered for the English Baccalaureate.
- Southampton's average EBacc points score for children who have been looked after continuously for at least twelve months was 1.8 (equivalent of a grade F (1.5) across six subjects).

Looked After Children - All KS4

The analysis below is focused on all CLA pupils in Year 11 as at June 2018. There were 33 pupils within this cohort therefore each pupil counts for 3.0%.

- Southampton's average Attainment 8 outcome for all CLA was 18.7 (equivalent of a grade F (1.5) across eight subjects). In 2017, Southampton and National CLA pupils achieved an Attainment 8 average of 14.1 and 18.1 respectively.
- 6.1% (2 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in English Language or English Literature in 2018. In 2017, 5.4% of Southampton CLA and 15% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in English Language or English Literature.
- 15.2% (5 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in English Language or English Literature in 2018. In 2017, 13.5% of Southampton CLA and 25% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in English Language or English Literature.
- 3.0% (1 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in Maths in 2018. In 2017, 2.7% of Southampton CLA and 10% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in Maths.
- 24.2% (8 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in Maths in 2018.
 In 2017, 13.5% of Southampton CLA and 22% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in Maths.
- 0.0% (0 no.) of pupils achieved 9-5 (Strong Pass) GCSE in English and Maths in 2018. In 2017, 2.7% of Southampton CLA and 7% of National CLA achieved a 9-5 (Strong Pass) in English and Maths.
- 9.1% (3 no.) of pupils achieved 9-4 (Standard Pass) GCSE in English and Maths in 2018. In 2017, 8.1% of Southampton CLA and 16% of National CLA achieved a 9-4 (Standard Pass) in English and Maths.
- 0% (0 no.) of CLA pupils were entered for the English Baccalaureate (EBacc) in 2018. In 2017, 10.8% of Southampton CLA pupils and 8% of National CLA pupils were entered for the English Baccalaureate.
- Southampton's average EBacc points score for children who have been looked after continuously for at least twelve months was 1.6 (equivalent of a grade F (1.5) across six subjects).

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