



# Red Balloon of the Air

## Examination results summer 2019



We are enormously proud of our learners' achievements this year. They worked hard not only to prepare for their exams but to rebuild their confidence and sense of well-being.

Their results must be seen in this context. Increasing numbers of young people with very complex ongoing mental health issues are coming to Red Balloon. In 2018/19, a notable 73% of our students had an Education and Health Care Plan, a legal document describing their special educational needs - compared to 52% in the previous year. Compared to both previous cohorts and their current peers, many of these EHCP students need longer to engage in all the activities and support we offer and to achieve full attendance due to their complex needs. This affects their comparative attainment and prolongs their stay on the programme.

As we are supporting relatively small numbers of young people, the statistical effect of these students' results on our overall outcomes is disproportionately large. Nonetheless, the impact of our programme on the individual students and their families continues to be effective and life-changing, with 83% of students reporting that their well-being improved after joining Red Balloon of the Air.

The tables below only show GCSEs for **Year 11 students** taking end of year exams and not those older or younger who completed exams.

Number of year 11s (taking any GCSE exams)	Number achieving 5 or more 9-4 (old A-C) grades at GCSE including maths and English	Number achieving 5 or more 9-4 (old A-C) grades at GCSE (ie those who achieved 5 not including maths AND English)	Number achieving 9-4 grades in maths	Number achieving 9-4 grades in English
17	1	0	7	8

This table shows all **Year 11 results against entries** (including those who did not sit in the 'below' column).

Subject and type of examination	Number entered	Number exceeding predicted grade / outcome	Number achieving predicted grade / outcome	Number achieving below predicted grade / outcome
Maths GCSE	16	3	7	6
English Language GCSE	17	3	8	6
English Literature GCSE	3	0	1	2
Single Science iGCSE	3	0	0	3
Biology iGCSE	4	1	1	2
Chemistry iGCSE	4	0	1	3
Physics iGCSE	2	0	0	2
Psychology GCSE	2	0	0	2
Computer Science GCSE	2	0	1	1
Business Studies GCSE	2	0	1	1
Edexcel Maths Award	2	0	0	2
English Functional Skills	0	0	0	0
History GCSE	3	0	0	3 (1 withdrew)
Art GCSE	1	0	0	1

#### Attained predicted grade (year 11 only, all subjects inc FS/Maths Award)

Below predicted	Achieved	Exceeded
53	33	15

The following shows all **results of students sitting GCSE exams this year, regardless of age:**

Subject	9 - 4	3-1	U	Total passes 9 - 1
Maths	15	12	0	<b>27</b>
English Language	12	13	1	<b>25</b>
English Literature	1	3	0	<b>4</b>
Science	0	4	2	<b>4</b>

Biology	2	2	2	4
Chemistry	2	1	1	4
Physics	1	1	3	2
Computer Sc	1	2	0	3
Psychology	1	4	0	5
Business Studies	3	1	0	4
History	1	2	0	3
Art	0	1	0	1
	39/94	46/94	9/94	85/94
<b>Overall GCSE results %</b>	<b>41.4%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>90.4%</b>

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