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What have been our successes this year?

Results continue to rise at KS3 and KS4. 85% of our students leaving our college have moved onto higher education and we are delighted that they continue their love of learning to further their education towards their career.

Alec Hunter Humanities College is working very closely with its community via the works of our new Community Development Co-ordinator.

Alec Hunter Humanities College has a renewed governing body with new chair, vice chair and committee structure.

What are we trying to improve?

1. Raise standards of achievement

a. Raise standards and achievement at Key Stage 3

b. Raise standards and achievement of the most able

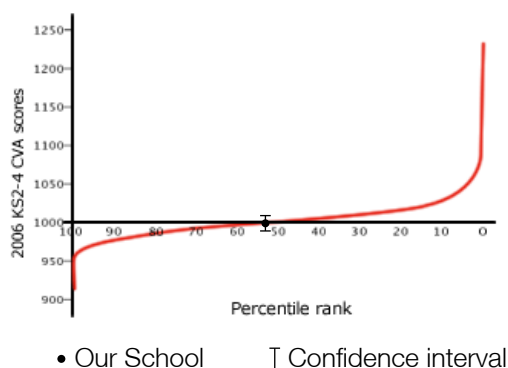
c. Ensure lessons are challenging to all students and that the quality of teaching is consistently satisfactory or better throughout the college

d. Ensure that students' progress is tracked and monitored so that there are higher expectations of what every student is capable of achieving

e. Ensure middle leaders take full responsibility for the standards of teaching and learning in their departments

2. Ensure that the leadership of the governing body is more rigorous in holding the college to account for its performance.

How much progress do pupils make between 11 and 16?



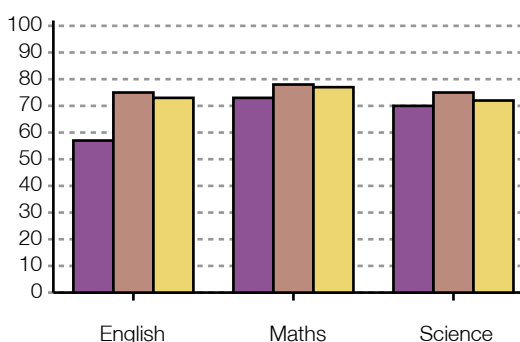
The chart shows our school's contextual value added (CVA) score relative to that of other secondary schools. CVA is a statistical means of assessing how effective a school is, by measuring pupils' progress using their test and examination results. The confidence interval shows the range within which we can be confident the score (calculated on the results of only one year group) represents the overall effectiveness of a school. The percentile rank shows the percentage of schools with a score equal to or higher than ours.

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As you can see from the graph our results are exactly what is expected for 2006 by the government. Our value added measure puts us 50th out of 100 schools. Our aim and trends show improvements in these results over the past 5 years and we know that even though we may have dips in the future our trends will continue to move upward as the college continues to improve.

How well do our pupils achieve at age 14?

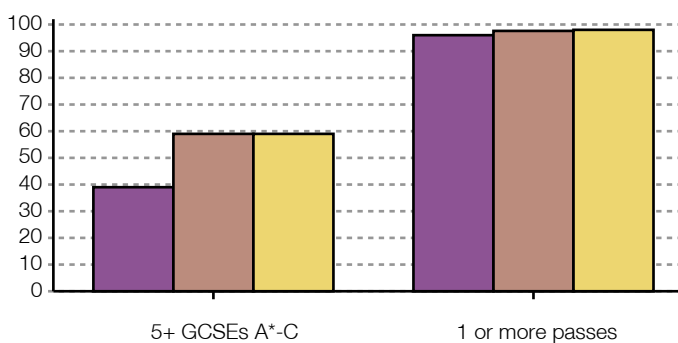


This shows Key Stage 3 results for 2006. It shows the percentage of pupils eligible for KS3 tests (usually 14 year olds) who achieved or exceeded level 5.

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This is an area we have been improving on over the past 5 years and for the first time the government has shown that we have moved in to the top 50 schools for these results. We are delighted our value added is rising in this areas specially as it is one of our main areas for improvement listed above

How well do our pupils achieve at age 16?



This shows the percentage of pupils (who were at the end of Key Stage 4) who in 2006 achieved 5 or more GCSEs (and equivalent) at grades A*-C, 5 or more GCSEs (and equivalent) at grades A*-C including English and mathematics GCSE, and one or more GCSEs (and equivalent) at grades A*-G.

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How are we making sure that every child gets teaching to meet their individual needs?

Every student has an individual tutor who regularly monitors their progress. We set challenging targets for every student that are staged with end of year targets in each subject.

We share our expectations with parents and students at the start of each key stage and parents maintain their child's Achievement Folder.

Teachers at the College write to parents each half term to report current progress against targets and report on student behaviour and progress.

Students at Alec Hunter Humanities College enjoy a first class pastoral care system supported by non-teaching Pastoral Managers.

How do we make sure all pupils attend their lessons and behave well?

We have very clear attendance and behaviour policies which as a result of consistent application have improved both aspects of College life.

Our Traffic Light attendance system gives parents a clear indication and warning regarding attendance patterns. Our attendance is better than most are.

Our Behaviour for Learning system helps students to take responsibility for their behaviour as a result of a clear warning system based on the same Traffic Light style scheme

What have pupils told us about the school, and what have we done as a result?

Our highly active College Council which is elected by every student each year provides feedback from the student body to Governors and teachers. The senior prefects and College Council meet with the Headteacher on a weekly basis for a College Business Lunch.

Our new College uniform is a direct result of student involvement in College business.

How are we working with parents and the community?

Our work with the community has taken a real move forward as we develop as a Specialist College. We publish a termly community newspaper (see website). Our work with the community has recently been supported by the impact of our new Community Development Worker.

What activities and options are available to pupils?

Monday

Lunch

Badminton (Sports Hall)

Year 8 and 9 Club (A3)

Year 7 Club (B5)

After School

Football Boys and Girls (Field)

Netball Year 10 and 11 (Courts)

GCSE Music (G1)

Tuesday

Lunch

Sportsstacking (Gym)

Darts

Year 8 and 9 Club (A3)

Year 7 Club (B5)

After School

Xmod Club

Wednesday

Lunch:-

Media Club (Media Centre)

Dance Years 7,8 and 9 (G2)

Hockey Year 7 and 8 (Sports Hall)

Year 8 and 9 Club (A3)

Year 7 Club (B5)

Boys Reading Club (Library)

After School

Rugby (Field)

Drama Years 7,8 and 9 (G2)

KS4 Homework Club

History Club

Thursday

Lunch

After School

Netball Year 7,8 and 9 (Courts)

Challenge Club (Danbury)

Basketball (Sport Hall)

Year 8 and 9 Club (A3)

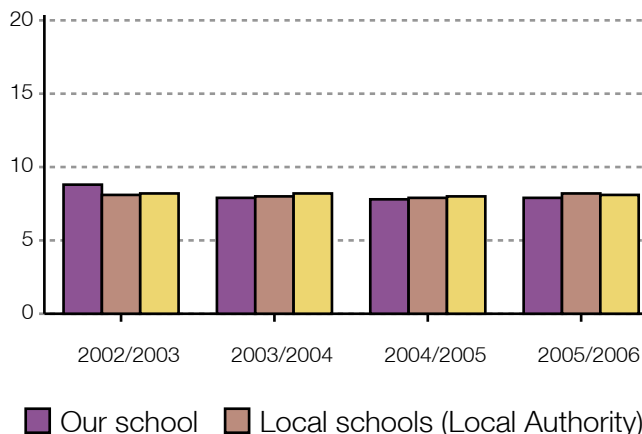
Year 7 Club (B5)

Friday

Lunch

Inter-form Football (Sports Hall)

How do our absence rates compare with other schools?



This chart shows the percentage of half days missed through authorised and unauthorised absence by all pupils at the school. Information is given for the school, for schools within the local authority and for all schools.

How do we make sure our pupils are healthy, safe and well-supported?

Alec Hunter Humanities College has achieved the Healthy Schools award and is recognized as a healthy college.

Our peer mentoring and active listeners report that the college is a safe environment and reported incidence of bullying are low and our highly efficient follow up systems and policies ensure that where it happens it is soon dealt with.

What do our pupils do after year 11?

Post Year 11

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As we said in our introduction 85% of students move onto higher and further education after their successful education at Alec Hunter Humanities College.

A further 15% of students enter the world of work.

What have we done in response to Ofsted?

Ofsted highlighted the need to improve the standard and quality of learning at our College. We fully agree with this and Ofsted.

Agreed that our College Improvement Plan was appropriate and well structured to ensure future improvement and success for our College.

The College has a renewed governing body with new chair and vice chair of governors.

More Information

If you would like more information about school policies, including our policies on special educational needs and disability, admissions, finance, school food and our complaints procedure, please contact us:

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