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Dear families

We already knew that our exam results last summer were excellent and it was great to see this confirmed with the publication of official GCSE data by the Department for Education (DfE) last week. Once again, we are comfortably in the top ten mixed comprehensive schools in the North West – indeed, it looks as if we are one of only a couple of schools that have been in the top ten every year since 2019.

Last week coincidentally also saw the publication of the *Sunday Times* 'Parent Power' league tables, which ranked Lymm High School as the 4th best comprehensive school in the North West – using a combination of GCSE and A' level data. You can read more about that in the <u>Warrington Guardian</u> here, or on <u>Cheshire Live here</u>. These tables are not 'official' but it is lovely to be recognised in them nonetheless, and comes off the back of being recognised in the <u>Daily Mail's top 100 state</u> schools earlier this year.

We are especially proud of the fact that the <u>official DfE data</u> reflects the *progress* made by students during their time at Lymm High School (i.e., it's not just about the high grades, themselves, but takes into account students' starting points from the end of primary school). It shows that students of all abilities made exceptional progress at Lymm High School, whether or not they arrived with KS2 SAT scores that were above average, more in the average range or below average. This includes students with SEND. The data also underline the fact that high performance was remarkably consistent again across all the different subjects.

Congratulations once again to all those students who worked so hard to achieve such brilliant results, and thank you to all those parents, carers and school staff who worked so hard to support them in getting there.

Kind regards Gwyn Williams