

# Childwall School News

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## **BEST EVER GCSE RESULTS AT CHLDWALL SPORTS COLLEGE!!**

Governors and staff at Childwall Sports College are delighted to announce that in 2009 we achieved our best ever GCSE Results. This follows a trend of the examination results improving every year since becoming a Specialist Sports College. We have exceeded the Government's targets for GCSE Results at 5 A\* to C including English and Mathematics. We have also exceeded the School's target for the overall figure for GCSE 5 A\* to C. These are superb results and I send my warmest congratulations to all involved in yet another success at Childwall.



There was great excitement when the GCSE results were made public on the 27th August. We were delighted to be invited by The Liverpool Echo to showcase our GCSE results and equally thrilled that a group of students with outstanding results figured prominently in a Liverpool Echo article which was published specifically about Childwall's outstanding examination results in 2009.

Our Advanced Level results in 2009 were also excellent. All of our Year 13 students who applied for University were successful with numbers of students exceeding their target grades at Advanced Level. We send our best wishes to all our A Level Students moving on to further or higher education in 2009.

School re-opened to all students on Wednesday 2nd September with staff involved in a full days In Service Training on Tuesday 1st September. Parents will know that we continue to be over subscribed in terms of pupil numbers with our planned admission number being exceeded by the Local Authority by almost 25%. We were delighted to receive additional numbers of student to our already large 6th Form and early indications are that the 6th Form numbers will reach approximately 350 in 2009. The numbers have been increased to take account of the students from across Merseyside joining us for our innovative academy arrangements with Everton in terms of basketball and soccer. Childwall Sports College is grateful to Everton for it's continued support of Childwall Sports College.

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### **Parent, Teacher, Friends Association-PTFA**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the PTFA takes place on 16th September 2009 at 6pm all parents are by right members of the PTFA and I do hope every family can be represented at the AGM on 16th September, refreshments will be served!

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# Trust Status

Please see the document below regarding Childwall Trust Status. The Governors of Childwall Sports College have agreed unanimously to consult on withdrawing from the Fiveways Trust and setting up a new and independent trust. The consultation period will end on Sunday 13th September. I do hope all parents are able to send their responses as per the instruction on the letter. We have arranged a meeting with parents to discuss this consultation document and its implications. The meeting will take place on Thursday 10th September at 5pm. I would urge all parents to attend this important meeting. Information regarding this consultation is also available on our website [www.childwallsc.co.uk](http://www.childwallsc.co.uk).

A meeting with all our student has been arranged for Monday 7th September at 3.30pm. I do hope all parents encourage their youngsters to meet with myself and senior colleagues to explain the potential change to our Trust Status.

Dear Parent/Carer,

September 2009

*It is our intention to alter the structure surrounding our school's supporting Trust and we would like to hear your views.*

*Over the past 12 months we have learned much about the potential of engaging partners to support the work of the school in raising the aspirations and achievements of our learners and the development of our community. In this time we have also raised our expectations about the possibilities that Trust status can offer the school and it's community and we feel that we would benefit by separating ourselves from our partner school, Broadgreen International School, and the Fiveways Trust in order to establish an independent Trust around Childwall School and it's community. We feel that this structure would better enable us to develop links with our own community and specific primary schools, and focus more purposefully on the needs of our learners and our community.*

*We have made excellent links with Liverpool Hope and John Moores Universities and with Liverpool Primary Care Trust and we intend to continue to develop these partnerships in order to maximise the potential for all involved.*

*We anticipate making this change in the very near future. The governing body of the school made the decision to begin this consultation on 17th August 2009 and will finalise its decision on 14th September 2009.*

*If you wish to comment on these proposals please contact us through the following addresses;*

*By Email to: [admin@childwallsc.co.uk](mailto:admin@childwallsc.co.uk)*

*By post to; Mrs C. Densmore  
Clerk to the Governors  
Childwall School, A Specialist Sports College  
Fiveways,  
Queens Drive  
Liverpool L156XZ*

*If you would like to discuss these proposals please contact the school on the 0151 722 1561 to arrange an appointment.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Sue Griffiths, Chair of Governors  
Childwall Sports College*

On Monday 28th September we are to be visited by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress as part of a visit by elected members. The Mayor and colleagues will be visiting us between 9.30am and 11.30am. During the course of the morning we will be explaining to the Lord Mayor and others the plans for the continuing development of the School and its site with particular reference to the Health Centre scheduled to be built at the Fiveways and involving Childwall Sports College. It is anticipated that the building will be completed during the latter part of 2010.

If parents have any queries regarding their children's education they should contact the school immediately.

Yours sincerely



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