



SPECIAL EDITION

CELEBRATING 2020 ACHIEVEMENTS

2020 EXAM RESULTS PRIZEGIVING 2020

PLUS:

INTRODUCING OUR NEW HEAD PREFECTS AND CAPTAINS

## Letter from the Chief Executive



#### Dear Parents

It is an absolute joy to welcome our pupils back into our school at the start of a new term and to welcome our whole school family to Session 2020/21 at Hamilton College.

In our January In Touch magazine, Mrs Stark talked about facing the year ahead and that "we will no doubt have new challenges to face, both personal and professional"... little did we know...!

But how our whole school community has faced recent challenges has been quite inspirational – our pupils, staff and parents have all been incredible and we return as a stronger family, as a more confident school and as a community ready to forge ahead.

We open Session 2020/21 with a renewed Vision & Purpose with clear priorities for the year ahead, a redefined Senior Leadership Team tasked with taking the school forward towards its Vision, a refreshed website, parent app and marketing material and an improved ICT provision for our pupils. The 2020/21 School Improvement Plan reflects in our educational priorities our wider aspirations for the community that is Hamilton College. The result is that each member of the Hamilton College family can clearly see our path ahead as well as where we aim to take our pupils, our school and our whole community across this coming session.

You will see in this publication the many achievements of our amazing pupils, evidencing their dedication and desire to succeed even in very challenging times. One of the great losses across the last few months has been the ability to celebrate pupil success and achievement first-hand. But this doesn't mean our pupils should feel any less proud. It is an absolute privilege as a Hamilton College staff member to see all our young people develop as learners and grow as individuals – the whole school is extremely proud of every one of our pupil's achievements across last session and we wish them the very best for the year ahead.

Our plans for Hamilton College mean that we have a lot to achieve in the coming year. In Proverbs Chapter 3 it says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge the Lord and he will make straight your paths." And so we look ahead, not with trepidation but with anticipation, excitement and in the knowledge that our Lord Jesus Christ will guide us all on our journey.

#### Katie Morton

Chief Executive Officer

## Our Vision & Purpose

■ The Hamilton College Vision & Purpose is a fundamental part of life for every member of the Hamilton College Family. Our Vision (where we are headed in the long-term - that point on the horizon that we are travelling towards) and Purpose (what we seek to achieve in the day-to-day, everyday) are an integral part of the journey at Hamilton College whilst our Values (the principles that shape our organisational environment) and our Foundation (the Christian ethos on which the school is built and through which we advance our Faith) are the principles that lie at our core.

At Hamilton College, we aim to inspire and excite each and every pupil and aim to provide them with the foundations and support to thrive. We aim to give them the confidence to develop their skills to the very best of their abilities. We believe that if we can do that, then we can change their future, we can change how they influence society while at school and beyond as they make their impact in the world. That is our Vision for every child. Our Values (Grace, Confidence, Wisdom, Innovation, Compassion and Reflection) define and shape what we stand for as a school and the educational environment that is provided.



#### **OUR VISION**

By inspiring children, together we can change their future, shape society and make an impact on our world.



#### **OUR PURPOSE**

To be a centre of excellence in education, where children are encouraged to develop their own unique pathways preparing them for life and work and to excel in a changing future.



#### **OUR VALUES**

Grace Confidence Wisdom Innovation Compassion Reflection



## **OUR FOUNDATION**

To Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. II Peter 3:18

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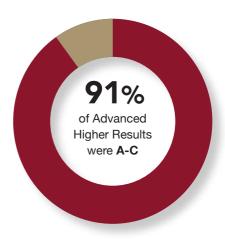
## **Exam Results**

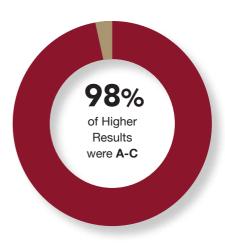
# Hamilton College Pupils Celebrate Record-Breaking Exam Results

■ Congratulations to our pupils on yet another set of outstanding exam results! This year's overall percentage of A-C results has increased from last year. 98% of our Higher results were A-C with 35% of our S5 pupils achieving 5As. 91% of Advanced Higher results were A-C and 94% of National 5 results were A-C.

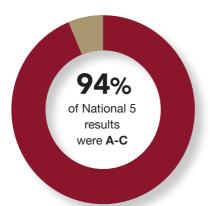
This year's results once again show what can be achieved thanks to the incredible level of commitment and effort from our pupils and the dedicated support they receive from their families and our staff working together.

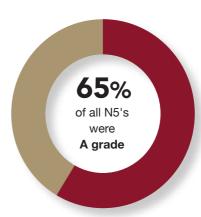
Chief Executive Officer, Mrs Katie Morton said "We are absolutely delighted that our pupils, through their 2019/20 SQA results, have been recognised for their hard work in school session 2019/20. It has been an extremely challenging period for all pupils and it is a testament to their diligence and continual focus on their studies, that the overall results of the Hamilton College cohort have again improved across the last 12 months. All of our pupils should be extremely proud of their own results, as we are at having had the privilege of guiding them through their academic journey."





## **Exam Results**





12 subjects at
National 5 level achieved
a 100% A-C pass rate
Application of Maths,
Art & Design, Business
Management, Chemistry,
Engineering Science,
English, French, Latin,
Modern Studies, Music,
PE, Physics.

























35%
of S5 pupils got 5
A grades at Higher
or equivalent

100% of English results were A-C at N5, Higher and Advanced Higher.

## Higher Results



100% of results in Higher Admin & IT were A-C



100% of results in Higher Art were A-C with 83% achieving an A



100% of results in Business Management were A-C



100% of results in Higher Chemistry were A-C



100% of results in Higher Engineering Science were A-C



100% of results in Higher English were A or B with 88% achieving an A



**100%** of results in English for Speakers of Other Languages were **A** 



100% of results in Higher French were A



100% of results in Higher German were A-C with 78% achieving an A



100% of results in Higher Human Biology were A-C



100% of results in Higher Latin were A-C



**100%** of results in Higher Modern Studies were **A-C** with 75% achieving an **A** 



100% of results in Higher Music were A



100% of results in Higher Music Technology were A-C



100% of results in Higher Physics were A-C with 90% achieving an A



100% of results in Higher PE were A-B with 70% achieving an A



100% of results in Higher RMPS were A-C



97% of results in STEM subjects



**89%** of results in Higher Computing Science were **A-C** 



**92%** of results in Higher Mathematics were **A-C** 



**87%** of results in Higher History were **A-C** 

## Advanced Higher Results



**100%** of results in Advanced Higher Art were **A** or **B** 



**100%** of results in Advanced Higher Modern Studies were **A** or **B** 



100% of results in Advanced Higher English were A or B



100% of results in Advanced Higher Music were A



**100%** of results in Advanced Higher French were **A** or **B** 



**100%** of results in Advanced Higher Physics were **A-C** 



100% of results in Advanced Higher German were A



**89%** of results in Advanced Higher Chemistry were **A-C** 



100% of results in Advanced Higher History were A or B



**86%** of results in Advanced Higher Biology were **A-C** 



**100%** of results in Advanced Higher Mathematics of Mechanics were **A** 



**71%** of results in Advanced Higher Maths were **A-C** 

# Prizegiving 2020

Well done to all of our children and young people who have worked so hard throughout this year. Many congratulations to our 2020 Prizewinners.

WHOLE SCHOOL AWARDS	
Junior School Alexander Davis Award for All Round Achievement	Eleanor Wisdish
Citizenship Award	Carmen McAlroy
Maxwell Music Trophy	Eloise Habasque
Phoenix Cancer Foundation Award	Esha Gupta
Naismith Award	Hannah Ord
Dux	Sinead Olusola-Johnson
Proxime Accessit	Brodie Aitken

MUSICIANSHIP AWARDS	
Young Musician of the Year Award (Junior)	Alastair Doolan
Young Musician of the Year Award (Senior)	Esha Gupta

SPORTS AWARDS	
Whitelaws Trophy (Girls)	Ella Harnett
Whitelaws Trophy (Boys)	Andrew Cunningham

SENIOR CHAMPIONS	
Principal's Prize for Leadership (Head Boy & Head Girl)	Rahul Sinha Hannah Ord
Leadership Awards (Deputy Head Boys and Girls)	Adrienne Muir Carmen McAlroy Lewis McKean Adam Wilson









## Head Prefects & Captains

## **INTRODUCING OUR 2020/21 JUNIOR SCHOOL PREFECTS**



Katie Junior School Prefect



Matthew
Junior School Prefect

■ After demonstrating strong commitment and endeavour through a rigorous selection process, congratulations to Katie and Matthew who have been appointed our Junior School Head Prefects for this session. They are both looking forward to representing the Junior School and setting an excellent example for other children.

## **INTRODUCING OUR 2020/21 JUNIOR SCHOOL HOUSE CAPTAINS**



Eleanor Harris House Captain



Bree Harris House Captain



**Lucy** Lewis House Captain



Darcy Lewis House Captain



Nyah Skye House Captain



Nyree Skye House Captain

Congratulations to our newly appointed Junior School House Captains. Each House Captain will represent their House in our weekly assemblies and be responsible for organising house events, encouraging the house point system and supporting younger pupils in their life at school. Harris House - Fleanor and Bree. Lewis House -Lucy and Darcy, Skye House - Nyah and Nyree.

#### **INTRODUCING OUR 2020/21 HEAD PREFECTS**



■ Head Prefects have been appointed for this session after a very impressive round of interviews and presentations.

All applicants gave so much of their time and commitment to the school that it made making this year's appointments exceptionally difficult. Many congratulations to our new Head Prefect Team with Jonathan as Head Boy, Hannah as Head Girl, Grace as Deputy Head Girl (working with Nursery), Ella as Deputy Head Girl (working with Junior School), Jack – Deputy Head Boy (working with Junior School), Brodie as Deputy Head Boy (working with Senior School) and Morven as Deputy Head Girl (working with Senior School).

(L-R): Jonathan - Head Boy, Hannah - Head Girl, Ella - Deputy Head Girl, Grace - Deputy Head Girl, Brodie - Deputy Head Boy, Morven - Deputy Head Girl, Jack - Deputy Head Boy

### **INTRODUCING OUR 2020/21 SENIOR SCHOOL HOUSE CAPTAINS**









■ Congratulations to our new Senior School House Captains. Cara as House Ambassador, Ella representing Harris House, Luke representing Lewis House and Amy representing Skye House. The role of House Captains is to support fellow pupils and encourage friendly competition, so pupils are encouraged to get in touch with their House representatives, get involved and share ideas.

(L-R): Cara - House Ambassador, Ella - Harris House Captain, Luke - Lewis House, Amy - Skye House Captain

#### INTRODUCING OUR 2020/21 SENIOR SCHOOL SPORTS AMBASSADORS









■ The appointment of this year's Sports Ambassadors came down to a very close decision, with all applicants submitting applications they had clearly put a great deal of time and effort into. Congratulations to Eilidh, Fraser, Jack and Megan who have been appointed as this year's Sports Ambassadors.

(L-R): Eilidh - Sports Ambassador, Fraser - Sports Ambassador, Jack - Sports Ambassador, Megan - Sports Ambassador

# A Message for the Class of 2020

■ To all of our children and young people who continue their Hamilton College journey as they graduate from Nursery to start Junior School, leave Junior School to start Senior School as well as to those who leave us at the end of their school journey, to embark upon their life after Hamilton College – our wish for you is that you continue to '...grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ'.

For those who leave us this year, please know that you will never really leave Hamilton College as you will always remain part of the Hamilton College family. We encourage you to stay in touch and continue to develop your relationship with the School in the years to come.



Nursery Class of 2020



J7 Class of 2020



S5/6 Leavers 2020



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