



**HARTLAND
HIGH SCHOOL**

Tuesday 20th October 2026

Dear Whitley Community,

Subject: Outstanding Academic Progress and Positive Transformation at Hartland High School

I am writing to share some exceptionally positive news regarding the recent achievements and ongoing transformation of Hartland High School.

The Department for Education officially published our latest Attainment 8 scores, the national measure tracking average pupil achievement across eight GCSE subjects at the end of Key Stage 4.

Our Attainment 8 score increased by almost 6 points. Based on national performance data, we are confident this remarkable jump places Hartland High School within the top 1% of most improved secondary schools in the country. In real terms, this means our students achieved a full grade higher across six of their eight GCSE subjects compared to the previous year's cohort.

We have seen equally powerful progress at Key Stage 5. Our Year 13 students achieved outstanding outcomes, with 100% of those studying Level 3 BTECs securing the top grades of Merit, Distinction, or Distinction*. Furthermore, the proportion of A-Level grades achieved at A*-D saw a relative increase of 37%, raising our overall average A-Level outcome from a D to a C grade.

These impressive results directly reflect the systematic improvements made since Hartland High School joined the Greenshaw Learning Trust in January 2025. By establishing a warm, inclusive, and disruption-free environment, we have created a school culture where students feel safe, supported, and fully empowered to excel academically and grow personally.

We recognise that historical reports, such as the 2023 Ofsted inspection of the former John Madejski Academy, do not reflect the vibrant, friendly and academically rigorous school Hartland High School is today. Our current students are thriving in our new systems and with our improved curriculum, and their accomplishments speak for themselves.

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We firmly believe that the families of Whitley deserve an exceptional secondary school at the heart of their community, and we are working tirelessly to deliver exactly that. As the secondary school application deadline approaches, we warmly invite prospective families to take a fresh look at Hartland High School and consider us for their child's next educational chapter.

Warm regards,



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