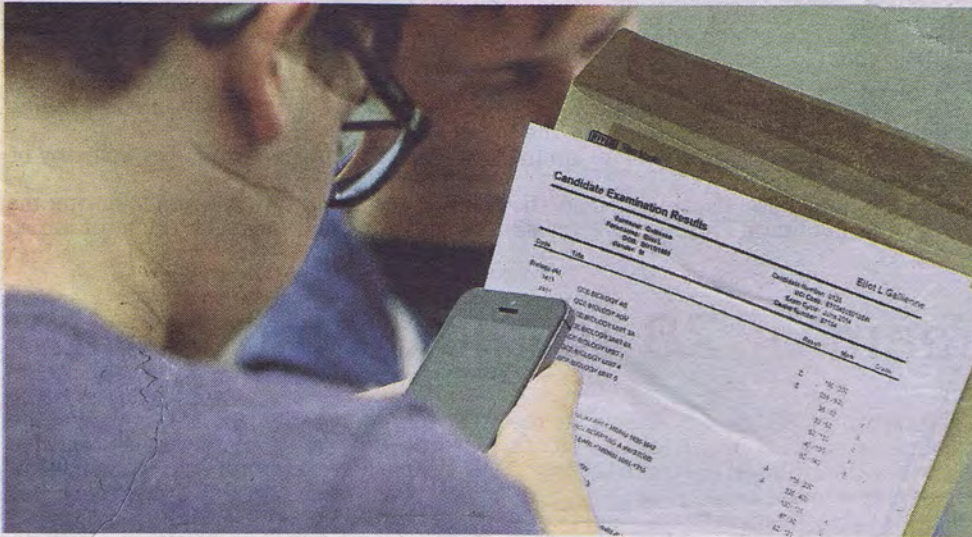


A-LEVEL RESULTS

Army medic career beckons as college sees 99% success



Elizabeth College student Eliot Gallienne texts news of his A-Level results to his parents. The college achieved a 98% A*-C pass rate overall. (Picture by Adrian Miller, 5571855)

DREAMS of becoming a medic in the Army are now well within reach for one Elizabeth College student after achieving top A-Level results.

Matt Beck, 18, achieved an A* in maths, As in further maths and chemistry and a B in physics.

It was significantly higher than the B, B, C he was predicted following his GCSEs.

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has completed the four-and-a-half year course.

It was smiles all round for the rest of the students as the college achieved a 99% pass rate – with 83% of grades at A* to C.

Nearly all the students who had applied to university had their places confirmed, including courses at Oxford, Durham, UCL, and Warwick.

Some had also recently found jobs in various sectors, such as finance, the Guernsey Police and the Royal Navy.

Padraig Teehan, 18, got the grades to read European studies at Maastricht University in Holland for

three years – he achieved a C in classics, C in drama and D in religious studies.

'These weren't the grades I was expecting so I'm thrilled,' he said.

Sleepless nights and cramming revision the night before exams saw Conor Morrissey get an A* in religious studies, A in geography and B in economics.

'I am very happy with that,' the 18-year-old said.

'I did stay up all night for some exams which I wouldn't recommend but the hard work seemed to pay off.'

Principal George Hartley said although it was not one of the strongest academic year groups overall – last year a pass rate of 100% was achieved – the majority of pupils had exceeded expectations.

'All the leavers have benefited greatly from the very broad education we provide and we will be looking forward to their adult careers as happy, confident and strongly motivated individuals.'