

### **INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE RESULTS 2015**

Bromsgrove School is absolutely delighted with the International Baccalaureate results this year, with an average of 38.7 which places us amongst the very top IB schools in the country. This is a demanding course and students and teachers have once again excelled. Every student entered gained their diploma and a third received formal recognition of their bilingualism. A third of our pupils scored 40 points or more with one attaining the full 45 marks, an exceptionally rare accomplishment worldwide.



### Polina Balina

Polina achieved an outstanding 41 points in her IB diploma and will take up her place reading Biomedical Science at Imperial College London.

Since joining Bromsgrove in the Lower Sixth, Polina has been a key member of the School's academic elite. Her interests are varied but her real passion is for the biological sciences which has grown through her personal reading and work experience in a genetics lab at Moscow University. Polina's CAS journey has seen her volunteer regularly in residential homes and

develop her passion and talent in racquet sports.



#### **Eleanor Ball**

Eleanor achieved an outstanding 41 points in her IB diploma. Earlier this year Eleanor was awarded the International Leader of Tomorrow Award for UBC, Vancouver, and will take up her place to read French and Chinese in Canada later this year.

Eleanor joined Bromsgrove aged two and, accordingly, is one the School's 'survivors'. Eleanor excels across all subjects but has particular strengths as a linguist, reflected by her IB choices in French and Mandarin. As well as being a top academic, she is one of our most prolific sports

people. She has represented Bromsgrove in hockey throughout her senior years, is a major part of School athletics and has a passion for Crossfit, where she recently won a National competition.



# Ellie Bingham

Eleanor achieved an outstanding 41 points in her IB diploma and will take up her place reading Biology with German at Imperial College London.

Eleanor is a passionate young scientist who extensively reads around her subjects in journals such as Biological Sciences Review and Chemistry Review. She has attended events as an affiliate of the Society of Biology and as a member of the Royal Society of Chemistry's online network. As well as being one of our brightest academics, Eleanor is an avid musician playing,

amongst many instruments, viola in the School orchestra. Eleanor's CAS journey has seen her volunteer in a local children's group encouraging greater appreciation of the earth and plants.



#### **Teresa Heidland**

Teresa achieved an outstanding 45 points in her IB diploma and will return to Germany to read Medicine after taking a year out volunteering in a hospital.

Teresa's ambition to become a doctor is rooted in an inherent and selfless desire to help others. Whilst she will go on to make a great difference in the lives of others, her contribution to service at Bromsgrove School, whilst more subtle, has been felt just as strongly in the lives she has helped here. Her CAS journey has also allowed her to fulfil her passion for athletics where she

has represented the School for two years.



#### **Nadescha Heine**

Nadescha achieved an outstanding 34 points in her IB diploma. Nadescha is 5 out of 2000 students this year to be awarded a fully paid dual work-study scholarship with Bosch in the sector of Automotive Engineering and Production culminating in degree in Mechatronics.

Nadescha joined us in the Senior School on our one year pre-IB course. As well as a fine academic, she is one of the School's prolific athletes recently winning 1st and 2nd at the County and regional athletics event; she was also selected for the West Midlands' heptathlon team.

Nadescha participated in the European Youth Parliament at both regional and National level and was part of the team selected to represent the UK. She is a gifted musician and, with the School Chapel and Chamber Choirs, has featured in concerts at York Minster and Windsor Chapel, as well as on the School's Advent to Christmas CD.



# **Henry Lee**

Henry achieved an outstanding 43 points in his IB diploma and will take up his place to read Chemical Engineering at the University of Bath.

Henry joined us in the Senior School and is one of our keenest mathematics and science enthusiasts, seldom looking at life without a mathematical or scientific slant; his extended essay was inspired by the hydraulic jumps he observed whilst he washed up in the sink. In addition to his commitment to the mathematical sciences, Henry is an excellent pianist and master of





#### **Ellie Saker**

Ellie achieved an outstanding 44 points in her IB diploma and will take up her place reading Physics at Oxford University.

Ellie joined us in the Preparatory School and from there has developed into the complete scholar: be it science, maths, linguistics or the arts, Ellie has excelled. Her true love, however, is physics, and her place at Oxford University was in many ways destined when she achieved an A\* in A-level physics at the age of 16. Despite a heavy academic timetable, Ellie has found time to represent

the School in debating, fencing and tennis, as well as becoming proficient in Ancient Greek.