

The DfE performance tables were published on January 21st 2016 for qualifications taken in 2015. These give a comprehensive and detailed breakdown of the achievements of the year group and the progress that they have made over the five years that they were at Dene Magna School. It also enables us to compare the progress that our students have made compared to the progress that students have made in other schools.

Here are just a few highlights from the data:

- The 5A*-C including English and Maths (ACEM) measure was up by 11% from last year. It should be noted that the year group had a lower overall Prior Attainment (from KS2) than previous years and was significantly below the national average on entry.
- 100% of our High Attaining students (those achieving level 5s in their Year 6 SATS) achieved their 5+ ACEM (only four schools, including the Grammar Schools, achieved this across Gloucestershire). This is the second year that this has been achieved. We are the only Gloucestershire school in the list for 2014 and 2015
- 66% of our Middle Attaining students (those achieving level 4s in their Year 6 SATS) achieved their ACEM. The national average for this group of students is 50%
- When compared to our 'Similar Schools' (those schools across the country whose students have a similar 'ability profile' to ours) we are 4th out of 55 schools. The schools above us are in areas where they get more government funding than us. In the county only two schools are higher in their respective "Similar Schools" lists (this excludes two Grammar Schools from this list as their position is somewhere between 1st and 24th and 1st and 13th respectively)
- If ranked purely on percentage 5+ACEM our results place us 15th in Gloucestershire Schools (including the Grammar Schools). If we rank the year group according to KS2 Prior Attainment our students made the second highest movement from their starting point in Gloucestershire
- The gap between our disadvantaged students (those in receipt of Pupil Premium funding) and other students was -5% (this gap will fall to -1% when final amendments are included in the tables). This is the best outcome for this group of students in the county and compares with a national gap of -28%. Across Gloucestershire this gap was -34%. We are one of only 17% of schools nationally where our disadvantaged students achieved higher than the national average for non-disadvantaged students (5+ACEM)

It goes without saying that we are extremely proud of these achievements and the students, staff and parents who made them happen. This year we are already working with our students to ensure they made the very best progress.