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## EDUCATION ATTAINMENT IMPROVEMENT BOARD

| Day: | Tuesday |
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| Date: | 26 January 2016 |
| Time: | 3.30 pm |
| Place: | Lesser Hall 2 - Dukinfield Town Hall |


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| No. | AGENDA |

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for the meeting from Members of the Board.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest from Members of the Board.

## 3. MINUTES <br> To receive the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 October 2015. <br> 4. PRESENTATION BY KAREN BURNS, PRINCIPAL OF INSPIRE ACADEMY, ASHTON

The Principal to provide a progress report on the work of Inspire and an update on the new Hyde primary academy. In addition, the innovative and successful work undertaken with parents will be explained.
5. PRESENTATION BY CHARLOTTE TREGLOWN, SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT LEAD FOR THE THREE NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS

The School Improvement Lead to provide an update on progress of the three New Charter Schools - New Charter Academy, Copley Academy and Silver Springs Academy.
6. UPDATE ON THE PERFORMANCE OF TAMESIDE SCHOOLS
To consider the attached report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning).
7. PROGRESS 8 IN TAMESIDE IN 2015

To consider the attached report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning).
8. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any additional items the Chair is of the opinion shall be dealt with as a matter of urgency.

## 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note that the next meeting of the Education Attainment Improvement Board will take place on Tuesday 29 March 2016 commencing at 3.30 pm .

From: Democratic Services Unit - any further information may be obtained from the reporting officer or from Linda Walker, on 0161342 2798, to whom any apologies for absence should be notified.

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## EDUCATION ATTAINMENT IMPROVEMENT BOARD

13 October 2015

## Commenced: 3.30pm

Terminated: 5.00pm

| Present: | Councillor Cooney (Chair) |
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|  | Councillors Bell, JM Fitzpatrick, Gwynne, Peet and K Quinn and <br> Stephen Anderson |
| Apologies for Absence: | Councillor Reynolds and Jon Murray |

## 11. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted by Members of the Board.

## 12. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Education Attainment Improvement Board held on 30 June 2015 were approved as a correct record.

## 13. GCSE RESULTS 2015

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning) setting out the GCSE results for Tameside schools this year, which showed an overall improved position on 2014 and an improvement in Tameside's ranked position both in AGMA and the north west. There had been some significant increases in performance in a number of secondary schools, but concerns remained about the performance of others.

It was explained that in 2014, the proportion of young people who obtained 5+ A*-C (English and Mathematics) was $53.7 \%$. This figure was itself slightly complicated by the first entry / best entry rule introduced in October 2014. In 2015, the figure was $57.7 \%$, excluding young people in special schools or the Pupil Referral Unit, representing a 4\% rise.

Although at this stage, results were still to be considered as provisional as schools would be seeking to improve their grades by requesting re-marks of certain papers, the headline figure was still encouraging. An important element of this year's results, not just locally but nationally, was the Cambridge English Language iGCSE. The syllabus had been perceived as 'easier' by schools but there had been reports in the press that the marking of the papers had become more stringent, particularly for the higher grades. The fallout from this was likely to continue. A number of Tameside secondary schools adopted the Cambridge syllabus this year, some for the whole Year 11 cohort, other for particular groups of students. There had also been some concerns about the awarding of higher grades in Mathematics.

In terms of $5+A^{*}-\mathrm{C}$ (English and Mathematics), the following schools made substantial gains this year:

- St Damian's RC Science College from 64\% to 79\%;
- Longdendale High School from 54\% to 67\%;
- Fairfield High School for Girls from 71\% to 77\%; and
- Audenshaw School from $63 \%$ to $71 \%$.

Both Copley Academy and Astley Sports College made substantial gains but there was a caveat for both of these schools as the starting point was extremely low and both were only just still at the national floor standard of $40 \%$. New Charter Academy were also at $40 \%$.

Data was provided on the $5+A^{*}-C$ English and Mathematics results for all secondary schools. There were some excellent results here and the local authority had made an important contribution to this area of provision. There were some schools falling below the $32 \%$ national average last year for 4 L progress but this was an area affected by the Cambridge iGCSE issue. Regarding the performance of Mathematics across the Borough, although the picture was not as secure as English, there had been substantial improvements since 2014. There were two examples of outstanding practice - Mossley Hollins and Alder, 11 schools improved their scores at 3L progress and 10 schools improved at 4 L progress. Good progress had been made in an area that had previously been a cause for concern in the Borough.

The results detailed had left Tameside in an improved position with respect to rankings in both AGMA and also North West authorities. Out of 23 North West authorities, Tameside was previously ranked $17^{\text {th }}$ and the 2015 ranking was $7^{\text {th }}$. In the AGMA region, Tameside was $7^{\text {th }}$ and was now ranked $3^{\text {rd }}$. These were very encouraging results for most of the local authority's secondary schools but there were concerns about a small number.

In conclusion, the Board was advised that 2015 was the final year in which the performance of secondary schools was going to be measured under the current performance measures of $5+A^{*}-C$ (English and Mathematics) and expected levels of progress. From 2016, schools would be measured on Attainment 8 and Progress 8.

## RESOLVED

That the progress made by the Borough over the past year and the new benchmarking arrangements for secondary schools in 2016 be noted.

## 14. EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE, KEY STAGE 1 AND KEY STAGE 2 RESULTS 2015

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning) detailing the performance of schools in Tameside in 2015 at Early Years Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

In particular, 58\% of pupils in Tameside achieved a good level of development at Early Years Foundation Stage representing a 6\% increase in 2014 and a 16\% increase on 2013. Provisionally, $66 \%$ of pupils in early years achieved a good level of development nationally and this had risen 6\% on 2014 and $14 \%$ on 2013. Tameside was ranked $17^{\text {th }}$ out of 23 North West authorities and this was an improvement of 2 places from 2014.

For Key Stage 1, Tameside had seen a slight improvement in Phonics in 2015 with $71.5 \%$ of pupils in Tameside working at the expected standard compared to $69 \%$ in 2014 and nationally, $77 \%$ of pupils were working at the expected standard in Phonics. Data for Reading Writing and Mathematics at Key Stage 1 was also provided in addition to those schools that had seen improvements of $10 \%$ or above.

At Key Stage 2, 80\% of pupils in Tameside achieved Level 4+ in reading, writing and mathematics combined. This was the same figure as in 2014 and in line with the provisional North West and national averages. Tameside, having sustained the huge improvement from 2014, was not $14^{\text {th }}$ out of 23 authorities in the North West.

In conclusion, the Board noted that Tameside had again seen an increase in results at Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. This increase was in line with the increases in performance seen across the North West. Tameside had also sustained its significantly improved performance
at Key Stage 2 and disadvantaged pupils in the Borough performed highly compared to other pupils nationally. The challenges for Tameside primary schools were at Key Stage 1 and Early Years Foundation Stage.

## RESOLVED

That the content of the report be noted.

## 15. PERFORMANCE AND BOYS

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of School Performance and Standards setting out a range of information in relation to boys' performance at Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 4. It also examined the performance of disadvantaged boys, those with Special Educational Needs and those with English as an Additional Language. Schools where particular groups of boys performed well in 2014 were highlighted.

The performance of boys in Tameside was below the performance of girls at both Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 2 and reflected the national picture. Though the results of boys in Tameside had been below those of girls, they had generally been in line with the national averages for 2014.

## RESOLVED

That the current position be noted and the Board receive further reports in due course.

## 16. SCHOOLS SUMMIT - 6 JULY 2015

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning) providing feedback on the purpose and outcomes of the Tameside Education Summit held in July 2015. There were some very clear messages emerging from national speakers that had set the scene for schools working together and supporting each other.

There was no doubt that strategic approach involving schools working together enabled many issues such as succession planning, subject networks and school to school support to be addressed more effectively. The clear messages from the Summit was that change in Tameside's education system must be driven by the profession and the role of the local authority was to initiate and help lead that drive for change.

The work being developed within the Summit Task Group represented the first stages in developing a vision for education that looked forward to the next two to three years. Reference was made to an action plan appended to the report.

The response from all those who attended was extremely positive with many Headteachers asking for annual events of this nature.

## RESOLVED

That the report and action plan be noted and an update report on progress with implementing the agreed action plan be submitted to a future meeting of the Board.

## 17. NEW PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Bob Berry, Head of School Performance and Standards, advised that the Department of Education had introduced a new set of performance indicators for the end of secondary school education, i.e. the end of Key Stage 4 which would come into effect in August 2016.

Prior to 2015/16 all students, secondary schools and academies were measured on how many GCSEs they achieved at $A^{*}-C$ including English and Mathematics and the levels of progress made
between Kay Stage 2 and Key Stage 4. Next year this would be changing to Progress 8 and Attainment 8. The report focused on the change to 2016 only and did not reflect the changes to GCSEs coming in 2017 and these would be reported to the Board at a later date.

It was explained that Progress 8 was a new secondary accountability measure aimed at measuring the progress of pupils across a selected set of 8 subjects and designed to encourage schools to offer a broad and balanced curriculum at Key Stage 4 and rewarding schools for the teaching of all their pupils. It was a type of value added measure and pupils' results were compared to the actual achievement of other pupils with the same prior attainment. It had been introduced alongside another new accountability measure Attainment 8.

Attainment 8 was a measure of a pupil's average grade across a set suite of eight subjects. GCSE grades would be translated onto a 1-8 point score scale for 2016, with 1 being a grade $G$ and 8 being an $\mathrm{A}^{*}$. Once the average point score had been produced for the pupil and the school, this would be used in the Progress 8 measure to determine the amount of progress that had been made. Progress 8 would measure how much progress had been made by pupils from the end of key stage 2 to the end of key stage 4 across the set of 8 subjects. An explanation of calculating Progress 8 and what it would mean for the pupil and the school were detailed and examples provided.

The Attainment 8 and Progress 8 measures were being introduced for all schools and designed to encourage all students to study a broad and balanced curriculum, and move the goalposts even more towards an assessment of performance based on achievement.

## RESOLVED

That the changes to performance measures be noted.

## 18. KEY PRIORITIES 2015/16

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director (Learning) setting out some of the achievements of the last year and identifying some of the national and local challenges for education service for next year and beyond. New legislation and ever increasing demands on support services, at a time when local authorities and school budgets were reducing, all necessitated new ways of working.

There was no doubt that Tameside was now an improving authority in terms of its education provision. Relationships with school had improved significantly over the last two years and the Council had a much more informed position about its schools and academies because of the closer working relationships that had been established. However, capacity building and succession planning would be key to securing high quality leaders for the future who could be future system leaders and enable the local authority to establish a sustainable school to school support model.

The Assistant Executive Director (Learning) reflected on some of the achievements and the priorities for the next year and beyond in the following areas:

- School Performance and Standards;
- Access and Inclusion;
- Pupil Support Services;
- Pupil Referral Service;
- Traded Services;
- Schools Budget; and
- Post 16 Provision.


## RESOLVED

That the content of the report be noted.

## 19. URGENT ITEMS

The Chair reported that there were no urgent items received for consideration at this meeting.

## 20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Education Attainment Improvement Board will take place on Tuesday 26 January 2016 commencing at 3.30 pm.

## 21. CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

In closing the meeting, the Chair made reference to the forthcoming retirement of Heather Loveridge, Assistant Executive Director (Learning). He thanked Heather for all her hard work and commitment and wished her well for the future.

CHAIR

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## Agenda Item 6

## Report to: <br> Date: <br> Reporting Officer: <br> Subject: <br> Report Summary: <br> Recommendations: <br> Links to Sustainable <br> Community Strategy: <br> Policy Implications: <br> Financial Implications: <br> (Authorised by the Borough Treasurer) <br> Legal Implications: <br> (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

Risk Management:

Access to Information:

## EDUCATION ATTAINMENT IMPROVEMENT BOARD

26 January 2016
Bob Berry, Interim Assistant Executive Director (Learning)
END OF KEY STAGE RESULTS
Tameside has again seen an increase in results at Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and Key Stage 1 (KS1) and Key Stage 4. This increase has been in line with the increases in performance seen across the North West. Tameside has also sustained its significantly improved performance at Key Stage 2 (KS2), and disadvantaged pupils in the borough perform highly compared to other pupils nationally.

That members note the report
The report supports three elements of the Community Strategy - Prosperous, Learning and Supportive Tameside.

There are none arising from this report.

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

It is important that Members understand the national framework and its changes together with the performance of Tameside schools so that there is appropriate resource and challenge.

There are significant reputational risks to the Council if it does not monitor and challenge schools' performance and standards effectively, and intervene where appropriate.

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Bob Berry, Interim Assistant Executive Director (Learning) by:

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report details the performance of schools in Tameside in 2015 at Early years foundation stage (EFYS), Key stage 1 (KS1), Key stage 2 (KS2) and Key stage 4 (KS4).

## 2. EARLY YEARS

2.1 Fifty eight percent of pupils in Tameside achieved a good level of development (GLD) at EYFS in 2015; this represents a 6\% increase in 2014 and a $16 \%$ increase on 2013. 66\% of pupils in early years achieved a good level of development nationally. This has risen 6\% on 2014 and $14 \%$ on 2013. The gap between Tameside and the national average in 2015 remains the same as $2014-8 \%$. Since 2013 however, Tameside has closed the gap from $10 \%$ to $8 \%$.

|  | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tameside | 42 | 52 | 58 |
| National | 52 | 60 | 66 |
| Gap | 10 | 8 | 8 |

2.2 Tameside is ranked $17^{\text {th }}$ out of 23 North West authorities. This is an improvement of 2 places from 2014. Results range from $55 \%$ in Halton to $73 \%$ in Trafford.
2.3 The gender gap in Tameside at for achieving a GLD at EYFS has narrowed from 19\% in 2014 to $16 \%$ in 2015. This is down to the performance of boys improving to $50 \%$ in 2015. In contrast, the percentage of girls achieving a good level of development in 2015 increased by $4 \%$ on 2014 to $66 \%$.

| $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | Girls | Boys | Total | Gap |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| National | 60 | 44 | 52 | 16 |
| Tameside | 50 | 34 | 42 | 16 |


| $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | Girls | Boys | Total | Gap |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| National | 69 | 52 | 60 | 17 |
| Tameside | 62 | 43 | 52 | 19 |


| $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | Girls | Boys | Total | Gap |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| National | 74 | 58 | 66 | 16 |
| Tameside | 66 | 50 | 58 | 16 |

2.4 The gap between girls and boys achieving a GLD in Tameside is $16 \%$, with $74 \%$ of girls achieving a GLD compared to $58 \%$ of boys. Though the performance of both genders has steadily increased since 2013, the gender gap remains the same.
2.5 Forty three percent of pupils at EYFS who are on free school meals (FSM) in Tameside achieved a GLD in 2015. In contrast, 61\% of all other pupils achieved a good level of development. $51 \%$ of pupils on FSM nationally achieved a GLD, compared to $69 \%$ of all other pupils nationally. The gap between FSM girls and FSM boys in Tameside has narrowed from $20 \%$ in 2014 to $15 \%$ in 2015. Whilst 2015 has seen a $7 \%$ increase in the number of FSM boys achieving a good level of development, the number of girls achieving a good level of development has not increased by a similar amount and has improved by $2 \%$. The gap between FSM pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally has seen minimal fluctuation in 2013, 2014 and 2015.
\% achieving a good level of development

| 2013 | Total | Girls | Boys | Gap between Girls and Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non FSM | 46 | 54 | 38 | 16 |
| FSM - Tameside | 28 | 37 | 20 | 17 |
| Non FSM nationally | 55 | 63 | 47 | 16 |
| Gap between FSM \& non FSM in Tameside | 18 | 17 | 18 |  |
| Gap between FSM in Tameside and non FSM nationally | 27 | 26 | 27 |  |


| 2014 | Total | Girls | Boys | Gap between Girls and Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non FSM | 56 | 66 | 47 | 19 |
| FSM - Tameside | 38 | 48 | 28 | 20 |
| Non FSM nationally | 64 | 72 | 56 | 16 |
| Gap between FSM \& non FSM in Tameside | 18 | 18 | 19 |  |
| Gap between FSM in Tameside and non FSM nationally | 26 | 24 | 28 |  |


| 2015 | Total | Girls | Boys | Gap between Girls and Boys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non FSM | 62 | 70 | 53 | 17 |
| FSM - Tameside | 43 | 50 | 35 | 15 |
| Non FSM nationally | 69 | 77 | 61 | 16 |
| Gap between FSM \& non FSM in Tameside | 19 | 20 | 18 |  |
| Gap between FSM in Tameside and non FSM nationally | 26 | 27 | 26 |  |

2.6 In terms of schools, there are a large number of schools that have improved in 2015. Improvements of over twenty percent have been made at Leigh Primary School, Fairfield Road Primary School, St Mary's RC Primary School, Russell Scott Primary School and Holy Trinity CofE Primary School. Twenty two schools have achieved an average GLD which is above the provisional national average of $66 \%$.
2.7 Twenty one schools have seen their results decline from the previous year with Canon Johnson CofE Primary School, Wild Bank Community School and Broadbottom Church of England Primary School seeing significant reductions.
3. KEY STAGE 1 - PHONICS
3.1 Tameside has seen a slight improvement in Phonics in 2015 with $72 \%$ of pupils in Tameside working at the expected standard compared to $69 \%$ in 2014. Over a three year period, the number of pupils in Tameside working at the expected standard has increased by $7 \%$. Nationally, $77 \%$ of pupils are working at the expected standard in Phonics. The national average has risen by $3 \%$ since 2014 and $8 \%$ since 2013; Whilst Tameside's phonics results are improving, the national average is improving at a faster rate.

| School | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | Improvement on 2014 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tameside | 65 | 69 | $\mathbf{7 2}$ | 3 |
| National | 69 | 74 | 77 | 3 |
| Difference $+/ \boldsymbol{-}$ | 4 | 5 | 5 |  |

3.2 Tameside is joint $21^{\text {st }}$ in the North West, along with Bury and Liverpool, in terms of phonics. This is one place lower than 2014. Figures range from $72 \%$ in Tameside to $81 \%$ in Trafford.
3.3 In terms of gender, the gap between boys and girls working at the expected standard in Phonics is widening. No national data for gender is available, but in previous years Tameside's gender gap was in line with the national average.

|  | 2013 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boys | Girls | Gap |
| Tameside | 61 | 70 | 9 |
| National | 65 | 73 | 8 |


|  | 2014 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boys | Girls | Gap |
| Tameside | 65 | 74 | 9 |
| National | 70 | 78 | 8 |


|  | 2015 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boys | Girls | Gap |
| Tameside | 66 | 77 | 11 |
| National | 73 | 81 | 8 |

3.4 Sixty three percent of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside achieved the expected standard in Phonics compared to $57 \%$ in 201 compared to $80 \%$ for all other pupils nationally. The gap in Tameside between disadvantaged pupils and all others nationally has closed from $20 \%$ to $17 \%$.
3.5 In terms of schools, 31 schools are above the provisional national average for phonics. There have been huge improvements made at Denton West End Primary School, Moorside Primary School, Fairfield Road Primary School, St James Catholic Primary School and St George's CofE Primary School, Mossley. 6 schools have seen significant reductions in the number of pupils achieveing the expected standard in phonics: The Heys Primary School, Buckton Vale Primary School, Yew Tree Community Primary School and Acorn Nursery, Gee Cross Holy Trinity CofE Primary School, Manor Green Primary School and Greenfield Primary School.

## 4. KEY STAGE 1 - READING, WRITING AND MATHS

4.1 Eighty seven percent of pupils at the end of KS1 in Tameside achieved a level 2 or above in reading. This is in line with the national average and is in line with previous years.

| Reading | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tameside | 87 | 88 | $\mathbf{8 7}$ |
| National | 89 | 90 | 90 |

4.2 Tameside is ranked $22^{\text {nd }}$ out of the 23 North West authorities in terms of the number of pupils achieving level $2+$ in reading. Tameside has dropped 2 places from 2014. Figures range from $86 \%$ in Manchester to $93 \%$ in Trafford.
4.3 Eighty four percent of pupils at the end of KS1 in Tameside achieved a level 2 or above in writing. This is in line with previous years but is 4\% below the national average for 2015.

| Writing | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tameside | 84 | 84 | 84 |
| National | 85 | 86 | 88 |

4.4 Tameside is ranked $22^{\text {nd }}$ out of the 23 North West authorities in terms of the number of pupils achieving level $2+$ in reading. Tameside has dropped 4 places from 2014. Figures range from 83\% in Manchester to 89\% in Cheshire East.
4.5 Ninety one percent of pupils at the end of KS1 in Tameside achieved a level 2 or above in maths. This is in line with the national average and is in line with previous years.

| Maths | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tameside | 90 | 91 | 91 |
| National | 91 | 92 | 93 |

4.6 Tameside has remained in $16^{\text {th }}$ place out of the 23 North West authorities in terms of achieving level 2 or above in maths in 2014. Results across the North West range from 89\% in Oldham to $95 \%$ in Cheshire East.
4.7 81\% of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside achieved level 2 or above in reading; this represents an increase of $1 \%$ on 2014. This is compared to $92 \%$ of all other pupils nationally meaning the gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and all other pupils nationally is $11 \%$. This achieving level 2 or above in reading at KS1 has remained similar in 2013, 2014 and 15.

| Key stage 1 Reading |  |  |  |  | Key stage 1 Reading |  |  |  |  | Key stage 1 Reading |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  | Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  | Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |
| 2013 |  |  | $\stackrel{\text { ®® }}{0}$ |  | 2014 |  |  | $\stackrel{\circ}{\Pi}$ |  | 2015 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  |
| England | 79 | 91 | 12 | 12 | England | 80 | 92 | 12 | 12 | England | 80 | 92 | 12 | 12 |
| North <br> West | 77 | 91 | 14 | 14 | North West | 79 | 91 | 12 | 13 | North West | 79 | 91 | 12 | 13 |
| Tameside | 79 | 90 | 11 | 12 | Tameside | 80 | 90 | 10 | 12 | Tameside | 81 |  |  |  |

4.8 The gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and all other pupils nationally achieving level 2 or above in writing at KS1 increased by $4 \%$ from 2013 to 2014; this meant the gap was wider than the gap nationally. In 2015, $76 \%$ of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside achieved level 2 or above in writing; this represents an increase of $3 \%$ on 2014. This increase means that there is now a $14 \%$ gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally, which is in line with the gap nationally.

| Key stage 1 Writing |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |
| 2013 | O <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 |  | 冗Oㅇㅇ |  |
| England | 73 | 88 | 15 | 15 |
| Tameside | 76 | 86 | 10 | 12 |


| Key stage 1 Writing |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 |  |  | 〇〇〇 |  |
| England | 75 | 89 | 14 | 14 |
| Tameside | 73 | 86 | 13 | 16 |


| Key stage 1 Writing |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| England | 75 | 90 | 14 | 15 |
| Tameside | 76 | 88 | 12 | 14 |

4．9 The gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and all other pupils nationally achieving level 2 or above in maths at KS1 had remained the same in both 2013 and 2014. $93 \%$ of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside achieved level 2 or above in maths；this represents an increase of $2 \%$ on 2014 and means that the gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally now stands at 7\％，with the national gap being $9 \%$ ．

| Key stage 1 Mathematics |  |  |  |  | Key stage 1 Mathematics <br> Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  | Key stage 1 Mathematics <br> Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage achieving level 2 or above |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ® } \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | 2014 |  |  | ®o |  | 2015 |  |  | $\stackrel{\Pi}{0}$ |  |
| England | 84 | 93 | 9 | 9 | England | 85 | 94 | 9 | 9 | England | 85 | 94 | 9 | 9 |
| Tameside | 84 | 92 | 8 | 9 | Tameside | 85 | 93 | 8 | 9 | Tameside | 87 | 93 | 6 | 7 |

4．10 In terms of schools，we have seen improvements of $10 \%$ or above in the number of pupils achieving level $2+$ in reading at the following schools：Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School，Audenshaw Primary School，The Heys Primary School，Lyndhurst Primary School， Poplar Street Primary School and St．Mary＇s CofE Primary School．The following schools have seen a significant reduction in results：St．Mary＇s Catholic Primary School，Greenside Primary School，Waterloo Primary School，Flowery Field Primary School，St．Peter＇s CofE Primary School，Ashton West End Primary School and Parochial C E Primary School

4．11 In writing，there have been improvements of $20 \%$ and above in the number of pupils achieving level $2+$ at Micklehurst All Saints Primary School，Hurst Knoll Primary School and St．George＇s CofE Primary School，Mossley．The following schools have seen significant reductions：Flowery Field Primary School，Milton St John＇s CofE Primary School，St．Mary＇s Catholic Primary School，St．Peter＇s CofE Primary School and Waterloo Primary School

4．12 In maths，St．Stephen＇s CE Primary School，Audenshaw Primary School and Lyndhurst Primary School have seen significant improvements in the number of pupils achieving level

2+. St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Waterloo Primary School and Wild Bank Community School have seen reductions of over 15\%.

## 5. KEY STAGE 2

5.1 Eighty percent of pupils in Tameside achieved level 4+ in reading, writing and maths (RWM) combined. This is the same figure as in 2014 and is in line with the North West and national averages.
5.2 Tameside, having sustained the huge improvement from 2014, is now $14^{\text {th }}$ out of 23 authorities in the North West in terms of achieving RWM combined. In 2014 the authority was $11^{\text {th }}$. Results range from $77 \%$ in Manchester to $86 \%$ in Trafford.
5.3 Overall the results in Tameside in 2015 are in line with the results of 2014. Progress figures show that $91 \%$ of pupils made expected progress ( 2 levels) in reading, $94 \%$ of pupils made expected progress in writing and $92 \%$ of pupils made expected progress in maths. Tameside is in line with the national average for expected progress in reading (91\%) and writing ( $94 \%$ ). Tameside is above the national average for maths, with $92 \%$ of pupils making expected progress in maths compared to $90 \%$ nationally.
5.4 In terms of better than expected progress, Tameside saw an increase of $3 \%$ in the number of pupils making 3 levels of progress in maths and a $2 \%$ increase in the number of pupils making 3 levels of progress in writing. Figures for Tameside for both attainment and progress measures are below-

| Key stage 2 results 2013-2015 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2013 |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{0} \\ & \overline{0} \\ & \hline \mathbf{0} \\ & \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Average Point Score (Re, Wr, Ma) | 27.9 | 28.3 | $\downarrow$ | 28.6 | 28.7 | - | $\square$ | 28.8 | 28.8 | - | - |
| \% Level 4+ (Re, Wr, Ma) | 74 | 76 | $\square$ | 80 | 79 | - | - | 80 | 80 | - | - |
| \% Level 4B+ (Re, Wr, Ma) | 60 | 63 | $\checkmark$ | 68 | 67 | - | - | 68 | 69 | - | V |
| \% Level 5+ (Re, Wr, Ma) | 19 | 21 | $\downarrow$ | 22 | 24 | - | $\downarrow$ | 22 | 24 | - | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ |
| \% 2 levels progress Reading | 88 | 88 | - | 92 | 91 | - | - | 91 | 91 | $\underline{6}$ | - |
| \% 3 levels progress Reading | 29 | 30 | $\downarrow$ | 36 | 35 | - | - | 35 | 33 | $\theta$ | - |
| \% 2 levels progress Writing | 92 | 92 | - | 94 | 93 | - | - | 94 | 94 | - | - |
| \% 3 levels progress Writing | 29 | 30 | $\square$ | 35 | 33 | - | - | 37 | 36 | - | - |
| \% 2 levels progress Maths | 88 | 88 | - | 92 | 89 | - | - | 92 | 90 | - | - |
| \% 3 levels progress Maths | 30 | 32 | $\square$ | 34 | 35 | - | $\square$ | 38 | 34 | - | - |

5.5 Seventy one percent of disadvantaged pupils at the end of KS2 in Tameside achieve level $4+$ in reading, writing and maths combined compared to $84 \%$ of other pupils nationally. The gap between this figure and the percentage of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside achieving L4+ in RWM combined is $16 \%$.
5.6 Eighty nine percent of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside made expected progress in reading and in writing. $91 \%$ of disadvantaged pupils in Tameside made expected progress in writing. This means that, in all three subjects, disadvantaged pupils in Tameside perform very strongly and the gap between these disadvantaged pupils and other pupils nationally is minimal. This can be seen in the table below -

|  | 2013 |  |  |  | 2014 |  |  |  | 2015 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Disadvantage d pupils |  | $\stackrel{\nwarrow}{Z}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\varpi} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\varpi} \end{aligned}$ | Z |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\square} \end{aligned}$ | を |  |  |
| \% Level 4+ Re, Wr, Ma | 61\% | 64\% | 81\% | 20\% | 68\% | 68\% | 84\% | 16\% | 71\% | 70\% | 84\% | 16\% |
| \% Level 4B+ Re, Wr, Ma | 46\% | 49\% | 70\% | 24\% | 54\% | 54\% | 74\% | 20\% | 57\% | 56\% | 75\% | 19\% |
| \% Level 5+ Re, Wr, Ma | 10\% | 10\% | 26\% | 16\% | 12\% | 12\% | 29\% | 17\% | 12\% | 13\% | 29\% | 18\% |
| \% 2 levels progress Reading | 83\% | 85\% | 90\% | 7\% | 89\% | 89\% | 92\% | 3\% | 89\% | 88\% | 92\% | 1\% |
| \% 3 levels progress Reading | 28\% | 31\% | 29\% | 1\% | 36\% | 36\% | 34\% | -2\% | 35\% | 34\% | 33\% | -1\% |
| \% 2 levels progress Writing | 90\% | 89\% | 93\% | 3\% | 91\% | 91\% | 94\% | 3\% | 89\% | 91\% | 95\% | 5\% |
| \% 3 levels progress Writing | 27\% | 27\% | 31\% | 4\% | 30\% | 31\% | 34\% | 4\% | 34\% | 33\% | 37\% | -1\% |
| \% 2 levels progress Maths | 84\% | 84\% | 90\% | 6\% | 89\% | 86\% | 91\% | 2\% | 91\% | 91\% | 91\% | 0\% |
| \% 3 levels progress Maths | 23\% | 26\% | 34\% | 11\% | 27\% | 28\% | 38\% | 11\% | 33\% | 28\% | 37\% | 5\% |

5.7 Waterloo Primary School is the only school that has fallen below the DfE floor standards criteria in 2015.

## 6．GCSE RESULTS

6．1 In 2014 the proportion of young people who obtained $5 A^{*}-C$ including English and maths was $53.7 \%$ ．（This figure was itself slightly complicated by the first entry／best entry rule， introduced in October 2014．）In 2015 the figure was $56.3 \%$ ，a $2.8 \%$ rise．Although at this stage results are still to be considered as provisional as all schools will be seeking to improve their grades by requesting re－marks of certain papers，the headline figure is still very encouraging．

6．2 An important element of this year＇s results，not just locally，but nationally，is the Cambridge English Language iGCSE．Last year across the country this syllabus was followed by 121， 530 students，but this year by an additional 80， 328 students．The syllabus had been perceived as＇easier＇by schools，but there have been reports in the press this summer that the marking of the papers had become more stringent，particularly for the higher grades． （The fallout from this is likely to continue．）A number of Tameside secondary schools adopted the Cambridge syllabus this year，some for the whole Y11 cohort，others for particular groups of students．There have also been some concerns about the awarding of higher grades in mathematics．

6．3 In terms of $5 A^{*}-C(E+M)$ ，the following schools made substantial gains this year；St． Damian＇s RC Science College，from 64\％－79\％，Longdendale High School，from 54\％－ 66\％，Fairfield High School for Girls，from 71\％－76\％，and Audenshaw School from 63\％－ 70\％．

6．4 The following two schools also made substantial gains，but there is an important caveat to the data；Copley Academy went from 28\％－40\％，and Astley Sports College went from $32 \%-40 \%$ ．The caveat is that for both of these schools the starting point was extremely low，and both are only just still at the national floor standard of $40 \%$ ．New Charter Academy are also at $40 \%$ ．Below is a table of the $5 A^{*}-C[E+M]$ results for all secondary schools：

| GCSE Results 2015－Unvalidated | 5＋ $\mathrm{A}^{*}$－C including E\＆M |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | 2014 | 2015 | Diffe | ＋／－ |
| Alder Community High School | 71 | 61 | －10 | $\checkmark$ |
| All Saints Catholic College | 55 | 49 | －6 | $\checkmark$ |
| Astley Sports College and Community High School | 32 | 40 | 8 | 饣 |
| Audenshaw School Academy Trust | 63 | 70 | 7 | 个 |
| Copley Academy | 28 | 40 | 12 | 个 |
| Denton Community College | 44 | 48 | 4 | 饣 |
| DroyIsden Academy | 47 | 53 | 6 | 饣 |
| Fairfield High School for Girls | 71 | 76 | 5 | 个 |
| Hyde Community College | 48 | 46 | －2 | $\sqrt{6}$ |
| Longdendale High School | 54 | 66 | 12 | － |
| Mossley Hollins High School | 82 | 66 | －16 | $\sqrt{5}$ |
| New Charter Academy | 37 | 40 | 3 | 1 |
| St Damian＇s RC Science College | 64 | 79 | 15 | － |
| St Thomas More RC College Specialising in Mathematics and Computing | 74 | 67 | －7 | $\sqrt{ }$ |
| West Hill School | 56 | 59 | 3 | 1 |
| TAMESIDE | 53.7 | 56.3 | 2.6 | 个 |
| NATIONAL（STATE FUNDED） | 56.6 | 56.1 | －0．5 | $\Rightarrow$ |

6．5 English；this falls into two parts，（1）Expected Progress，i．e．three levels since the end of primary schools，and（2）More Than Expected Progress，i．e．four levels since the end of primary school．The national average for 2015 was $70 \%$ for 3 L so only four schools are currently underperforming in this area．There are some excellent results here，and the authority has made an important contribution to this area of provision．There are more schools who fall below the $31 \%$ national average for 4L Progress，but this was an area ＇affected＇by the Cambridge iGCSE issue．（The scores at Mossley Hollins and Longdendale are hugely impressive．）The complete scores are below－

| GCSE Results 2015 －Unvalidated | Expected progress in English |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | 2014 | 2015 | Diff | ＋／－ |
| Alder Community High School | 80 | 74 | －6 | $\checkmark$ |
| All Saints Catholic College | 62 | 73 | 11 | 乞 |
| Astley Sports College and Community High School | 60 | 61 | 1 | 乞 |
| Audenshaw School Academy Trust | 66 | 78 | 12 | － |
| Copley Academy | 43 | 53 | 10 | 乞 |
| Denton Community College | 66 | 70 | 4 | 乞 |
| Droylsden Academy | 74 | 74 | 0 | $\Rightarrow$ |
| Fairfield High School for Girls | 73 | 84 | 11 | 饣 |
| Hyde Community College | 57 | 63 | 6 | 饣 |
| Longdendale High School | 70 | 82 | 12 | － |
| Mossley Hollins High School | 93 | 84 | －9 | $\checkmark$ |
| New Charter Academy | 75 | 62 | －13 | $\checkmark$ |
| St Damian＇s RC Science College | 83 | 80 | －3 | $\checkmark$ |
| St Thomas More RC College Specialising in Mathematics and Computing | 89 | 72 | －17 | $\checkmark$ |
| West Hill School | 56 | 85 | 29 | 乞 |
| TAMESIDE | 69 | 72 | 3 | 饣 |
| NATIONAL（STATE FUNDED） | 72 | 70 | －2 | $\checkmark$ |


| GCSE Results 2015 －Unvalidated | Better than expected progress in English |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | 2014 | 2015 | Diff | ＋／－ |
| Alder Community High School | 29 | 26 | －3 | $\checkmark$ |
| All Saints Catholic College | 8 | 28 | 20 | 饣 |
| Astley Sports College and Community High School | 16 | 17 | 1 | － |
| Audenshaw School Academy Trust | 24 | 39 | 15 | 饣 |
| Copley Academy | 13 | 22 | 9 | － |
| Denton Community College | 29 | 20 | －9 | $\sqrt{3}$ |
| Droylsden Academy | 27 | 34 | 7 | 饣 |
| Fairfield High School for Girls | 28 | 42 | 14 | へ |
| Hyde Community College | 19 | 22 | 3 | 饣 |
| Longdendale High School | 24 | 49 | 25 | 个 |
| Mossley Hollins High School | 66 | 50 | －16 | $\sqrt{8}$ |
| New Charter Academy | 42 | 26 | －16 | $\checkmark$ |
| St Damian＇s RC Science College | 36 | 38 | 2 | 1 |
| St Thomas More RC College Specialising in Mathematics and Computing | 42 | 25 | －17 | $\sqrt{6}$ |
| West Hill School | 15 | 41 | 26 | － |
| TAMESIDE | 28 | 32 | 4 | 饣 |
| NATIONAL（STATE FUNDED） | 32 | 31 | －1 | $\Rightarrow$ |

6．6 Regarding performance in mathematics across the borough，although the picture is not as secure as in English，there have been substantial improvements since 2014．There are two examples of outstanding practice－Mossley Hollins and Alder，eleven schools improved their scores at 3L Progress，and ten schools improved at 4L Progress．The national average is $67 \%$ for 3 L ，and $31 \%$ for 4 L ．Good progress has been made in an area that had previously been a cause for concern in the borough，and the complete figures are below－

| GCSE Results 2015－Unvalidated | Expected progress in maths |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | 2014 | 2015 | Diff | ＋／－ |
| Alder Community High School | 85 | 91 | 6 | － |
| All Saints Catholic College | 54 | 53 | －1 | $\Rightarrow$ |
| Astley Sports College and Community High School | 43 | 51 | 8 | 个 |
| Audenshaw School Academy Trust | 64 | 76 | 12 | 人 |
| Copley Academy | 39 | 45 | 6 | 人 |
| Denton Community College | 53 | 63 | 10 | 个 |
| Droylsden Academy | 53 | 63 | 10 | 个 |
| Fairfield High School for Girls | 73 | 83 | 10 | － |
| Hyde Community College | 71 | 69 | －2 | $\checkmark$ |
| Longdendale High School | 57 | 65 | 8 | － |
| Mossley Hollins High School | 84 | 84 | 0 | $\Rightarrow$ |
| New Charter Academy | 35 | 46 | 11 | － |
| St Damian＇s RC Science College | 71 | 86 | 15 | － |
| St Thomas More RC College Specialising in Mathematics and Computing | 72 | 69 | －3 | $\sqrt{ }$ |
| West Hill School | 70 | 58 | －12 | $\checkmark$ |
| TAMESIDE | 60 | 66 | 6 | 个 |
| NATIONAL（STATE FUNDED） | 66 | 67 | 1 | 个 |


| GCSE Results 2015－Unvalidated | Better than expected progress in maths |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | 2014 | 2015 |  | ＋／－ |
| Alder Community High School | 50 | 48 | －2 | $\sqrt{3}$ |
| All Saints Catholic College | 15 | 17 | 2 | 个 |
| Astley Sports College and Community High School | 4 | 22 | 18 | 饣 |
| Audenshaw School Academy Trust | 21 | 30 | 9 | 饣 |
| Copley Academy | 11 | 13 | 2 | 饣 |
| Denton Community College | 21 | 25 | 4 | 人 |
| Droylsden Academy | 10 | 21 | 11 | 饣 |
| Fairfield High School for Girls | 30 | 45 | 15 | 今 |
| Hyde Community College | 35 | 31 | －4 | $\sqrt{5}$ |
| Longdendale High School | 19 | 29 | 10 | 人 |
| Mossley Hollins High School | 38 | 35 | －3 | $\sqrt{8}$ |
| New Charter Academy | 6 | 18 | 12 | 个 |
| St Damian＇s RC Science College | 16 | 41 | 25 | － |
| St Thomas More RC College Specialising in Mathematics and Computing | 35 | 27 | －8 | $\sqrt{5}$ |
| West Hill School | 23 | 22 | －1 | $\Rightarrow$ |
| TAMESIDE | 22 | 28 | 6 | 饣 |
| NATIONAL（STATE FUNDED） | 29 | 31 | 2 | － |

6．7 All of the above results have left Tameside in an improved position with respect to our rankings in both AGMA and also NW authorities；out of the twenty－three NW authorities Tameside was previously ranked seventeenth，we are now ninth．In the AGMA region we were seventh and are now fourth．We are no longer an underperforming authority．The complete picture can be found below－

| GCSE 5＋A＊－C inc E\＆M |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ | Difference |
| Trafford | 72.2 | 69.9 | -2.3 |
| Cheshire East | 61.5 | 61.5 | 0 |
| Wirral | 60 | 61.2 | 1.2 |
| Lancashire | 56.8 | 58.1 | 1.3 |
| Warrington | 55.9 | 57.9 | 2 |
| Cheshire West and Chester | 58.2 | 57.3 | -0.9 |
| Stockport | 58.3 | 56.9 | -1.4 |


|  |  | 58 | 56.8 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Tameside | 53.7 | 56.3 | -1.2 |
| Halton | 57.2 | 56.3 | -0.9 |
| Bolton | 57.3 | 56.3 | -1 |
| Cumbria | 57 | 55.7 | -1.3 |
| North West | 55.8 | 54.9 | -0.9 |
| St. Helens | 55.2 | 54.4 | -0.8 |
| Sefton | 55 | 54.1 | -0.9 |
| Blackburn with Darwen | 54.6 | 54 | -0.6 |
| Bury | 56.9 | 53.9 | -3 |
| Oldham | 52.4 | 49.7 | -2.7 |
| Liverpool | 49.9 | 48.1 | -1.8 |
| Rochdale | 54 | 47.6 | -6.4 |
| Salford | 47.3 | 46.4 | -0.9 |
| Manchester | 51.4 | 46 | -5.4 |
| Blackpool | 44 | 41.5 | -2.5 |
| Knowsley | 35.4 | 36.7 | 1.3 |

## 7. DISADVANTAGED PUPILS AT KS4

7.1 The gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally is closing. In terms of attainment of $5+A^{*}-C$ including English and maths, there is a $27 \%$ gap between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally. This is in line with the national gap of $28 \%$. The gaps between disadvantaged pupils in Tameside and other pupils nationally are also in line with the national gap in each progress measure, as illustrated in the table below -

|  | 2014 |  |  |  |  | 2015 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \% 5+ A*-C inc E\&M | 33\% | 36\% | 62\% | 29\% | 26\% | 36\% | 35\% | 63\% | 27\% | 28\% |
| English: \% 3 Levels Progress | 57\% | 59\% | 75\% | 18\% | 16\% | 58\% | 58\% | 74\% | 16\% | 16\% |
| English: \% 4 Levels Progress | 19\% | 22\% | 35\% | 16\% | 13\% | 21\% | 21\% | 34\% | 13\% | 13\% |
| Maths: \% 3 Levels Progress | 43\% | 49\% | 71\% | 28\% | 22\% | 48\% | 50\% | 72\% | 24\% | 22\% |
| Maths: \% 4 Levels Progress | 13\% | 17\% | 33\% | 20\% | 16\% | 18\% | 18\% | 35\% | 17\% | 17\% |

## 8. SUMMARY

8.1 Tameside has again seen an increase in results at EYFS and KS1. This increase has been in line with the increases in performance seen across the North West. Tameside has also sustained its huge increase in performance at Key Stage 2 and disadvantaged pupils in the borough perform highly compared to other pupils nationally.
8.2 At Key Stage 4 Tameside has bucked the national and regional trend and has seen an increase in both the attainment and progress of pupils at the end of KS4 in the borough. Disadvantaged pupils in Tameside are also making progress in line with disadvantaged pupils nationally, and the gap between Tameside's disadvantaged pupils and other pupils nationally is narrowing

## 9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 That Members note the report.

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## Agenda Item 7

## Report to: <br> Date: <br> Reporting Officer: <br> Subject: <br> Report Summary: <br> Recommendations: <br> Links to Sustainable <br> Community Strategy:

Policy Implications:
Financial Implications:
(Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)

Legal Implications:
(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

Risk Management:

## Access to Information:

## EDUCATION ATTAINMENT IMPROVEMENT BOARD

26 January 2016
Bob Berry, Interim Assistant Executive Director (Learning)
PROGRESS 8 IN TAMESIDE IN 2015
The Department for Education has introduced a new set of performance indicators for the end of secondary school education, i.e. the end of KS4. These measures will come into effect in August 2016. This report outlines what results for Tameside schools would have looked like had these performance indicators been in place in 2015.

That members note the changes, and understand the new parameters for assessing the performance of schools in the borough.

These new performance measures provide an indication of a school's performance across a much wider range of subjects than was previously the case, and put the emphasis on progress rather than attainment. The borough's long-term economic strategy depends ultimately on its capacity to produce and then retain its own talented young people.

The above is in line with the strategic plan.
There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

It is important that Members understand the national framework and its changes so that there is appropriate resource and challenge.

From August 2016, local authority secondary schools that achieve below the floor standard set by Progress 8 are at risk of enforced academisation.

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Bob Berry, Interim Assistant Executive Director (Learning|) by:

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Prior to 15/16 all students, secondary schools and academies are measured on how many GCSE's they achieve at A*-C including English and Mathematics and the levels of progress made between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 4. This year this is going to change to Attainment 8 \& Progress 8.
1.2 Schools had the option to opt in to the 2016 accountability measures in 2015. Two schools in Tameside did this: Denton Community College and Mossley Hollins High School. This meant that the accountability for these schools would be under Attainment 8 and Progress 8 rather than $5+A^{*}-C$ including English \& maths and expected levels of progress.
1.3 For schools that did not opt in, the DfE released to the Local Authority the results of Tameside's schools had Attainment 8 and Progress 8 been in place in 2015. This report highlights the performance of schools differs under Attainment 8 and Progress 8.
1.4 Schools will have made changes to their curriculum to be fully compliant to the new accountability measures in 2015/16 and all Progress 8 and Attainment 8 figures presented in this report should be treated with caution.

## 2 ATTAINMENT

2.1 In 2015 the percentage of pupils in mainstream schools in Tameside attaining 5+ A*-C currently ranged from 79\% at St Damian's RC Science college to $40 \%$ at Astley Sports College, Copley Academy and New Charter Academy. All schools in Tameside met the floor measure of $40 \%$ for attainment of $5+\mathrm{A}^{*}-\mathrm{C}$ inc English and maths.

2.2 The Progress 8 score is based on the performance of pupils across 8 subjects - this performance score is known as the "Attainment 8 " score. The Attainment 8 grade is a grade that pupils will get at the end of Key Stage 4 showing their average achievement across 8 subjects. It is similar to the "Best 8 " figure that schools get now however the subjects involved are different.
2.3 Attainment 8 is the sum of grades from the following: English and maths (double weighted), three Ebacc subjects (three subjects from the following areas: humanities, languages and science) and three other subjects (Ebacc, non Ebacc GCSEs or vocational qualifications).
2.4 If Attainment 8 was implemented in 2015, the table below illustrates what the picture in Tameside would look like:

2.5 The Attainment 8 figures place a different perspective on the attainment of Tameside's schools. Fairfield High School for Girls had the highest Attainment 8 figure in 2015, St Damian's RC Science College had the second highest Attainment 8 figure whilst Mossley Hollins High School had the third highest Attainment 8 figure. New Charter Academy had the lowest Attainment 8 figure, with Astley Sports College having the second lowest and Denton Community College having the third lowest. The national average Attainment 8 score for state funded schools was 48.2 and 7 schools in Tameside were below this.

## 3 PROGRESS

3.1 Under Progress 8, which will be the main accountability measure and the main way of which schools will be ranked, the progress figure given takes into account the average progress across the following areas: English and maths (double weighted), three Ebacc subjects (three subjects from the following areas: humanities, languages and science) and three other subjects (Ebacc, non Ebacc GCSEs or vocational qualifications).
3.2 When taking into account Progress 8 in 2015, the results of schools in Tameside change again. Mossley Hollins High School had the highest Progress 8 score in 2015. 11 out of 15 schools were below zero, meaning that the school did not meet their Attainment 8 estimate and as such did not make expected progress.
3.3 The progress of pupils in Copley Academy and Astley Sports College was higher under Progress 8 in 2015. In contrast, Denton Community College and St Thomas More RC College would have been $13^{\text {th }}$ and $14^{\text {th }}$ respectively. New Charter Academy would have been below floor standards had Progress 8 been implemented in 2015.

3.4 Attainment and progress measures are based on a given set of pupils' results for a particular test paper on a particular day. The same pupils may have achieved different results on the day or the school would almost certainly have shown slightly different results with a different set of pupils, even with the same levels of prior attainment, yet the school could be equally effective. This causes us a degree of uncertainty that needs to be taken into. To combat this, the DfE uses confidence intervals as they illustrate a line on which we can be statistically confident a school's results would lie had pupils sat the tests on a different day. The Progress 8 confidence intervals are below:

3.5 In terms of expected progress in 2015, West Hill School currently has the highest percentage of pupils making expected progress in English, with $85 \%$ of pupils achieving this; Fairfield High School for Girls and Mossley Hollins High School saw 84\% of their pupils making expected progress. In maths, Alder Community High School saw $91 \%$ of pupils making expected progress followed by $86 \%$ of pupils at St Damian's RC Science College and $84 \%$ of pupils at Mossley Hollins High School. Below are what the current unvalidated progress figures are for Tameside schools in English and maths:


3.6 Under Progress 8, these figures change. Please see the table below:

3.7 Mossley Hollins High School has a Progress 8 score in English of 0.58. This makes them the highest performing school in English in the borough. St Damian's RC Science College and Fairfield High School for Girls have the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ highest Progress 8 score in English respectively. In contrast, New Charter Academy has a Progress 8 score of -0.47 meaning that, on average, pupils at New Charter Academy achieve nearly half a grade less than their peers. St Thomas More RC College have a Progress 8 score of -0.4 in English and both Copley Academy and Astley Sports College have a English Progress 8 score of -0.38 .
3.8 Alder Community High School's Progress 8 score in maths of 0.54 makes them the highest performing school in maths in the borough. 0.54 means that, on average, pupils at Alder achieve more than half a grade more than their peers. The $2^{\text {nd }}$ place school in Tameside in maths was Mossley Hollins High School who had a Progress 8 figure of 0.38 and the $3^{\text {rd }}$ place school was Hyde Community College with a Progress 8 figure of 0.14 . The school with the lowest Progress 8 score in maths was Copley Academy with a figure of -0.51 ; this means that pupils at Copley Academy achieve half a grade less than their peers nationally. New Charter Academy and All Saints Catholic College have the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ lowest Progress 8 figures in maths respectively.

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4.1 $\quad A^{*}-C$ in English compared to average Attainment 8 score - Below is the percentage of pupils achieving $A^{*}-C$ in English compared to the average Attainment 8 score for English. The figure shown for Attainment 8 in English has been double weighted.

Percentage of pupils achieving the Ebacc English subject area


Average Attainment 8 score per pupil for English element

4.2 Though Longdendale High School had the highest percentage of pupils achieving $A^{*}-C$ in English, the average attainment 8 grade was not the highest in the borough. The average attainment 8 grade at Longdendale was 11.2 which, when not double weighted, is equivalent to 5.6 on the 1-8 GCSE scale and as such the average grade was between a grade B and C. St Damian's RC Science College had the highest Attainment 8 grade, with each pupil, on average, attaining just below a grade B in English. The lowest attaining school in English was Astley Sports College.
4.3 $A^{*}-C$ in maths compared to average Attainment 8 score. - Below is the percentage of pupils achieving $A^{*}$ - $C$ in English compared to the average Attainment 8 score for maths. The figure shown for Attainment 8 in maths has been double weighted.

## Percentage of pupils achieving the Ebacc Maths subject area



Average Attainment 8 score per pupil for mathematics element

4.4 St Damian's RC Science College have the highest percentage of pupils (90\%) in Tameside achieving A*-C in maths. St Damian's also have the highest Attainment 8 figure, with their average Attainment 8 score for maths per pupil being 11.2. Alder Community High School had $88 \%$ of pupils achieve $A^{*}-C$ in maths and their average Attainment 8 score for maths being 11.1. Whilst Audenshaw School saw $84 \%$ of pupils achieve $\mathrm{A}^{*}-\mathrm{C}$ in maths, its Attainment 8 score for maths was 10.7; this was lower than Fairfield High School who had an Attainment 8 score of 11 compared to $82 \%$ of pupils achieving $\mathrm{A}^{*}-\mathrm{C}$ in maths.
4.5 New Charter Academy and Copley Academy had an Attainment 8 score in maths of 8.2. This is reflected in their figures for attainment of $A^{*}-C$ in maths, with $47 \%$ of pupils achieving $A^{*}-C$ in maths at New Charter Academy and $46 \%$ of pupils at Copley Academy achieving $A^{*}-C$ in maths.
4.6 Whilst there is a 6\% gap in attainment of $A^{*}-\mathrm{C}$ in maths between Longdendale High School and Hyde Community College, their Attainment 8 score per pupil in math is the same.

## 5 SUMMARY

5.1 Progress 8 and Attainment 8 come into force in 2016 for all secondary schools. It will be the new measure for all secondary schools. Each pupil will have an Attainment 8 score and a Progress 8 score. Schools will also receive an Attainment 8 score and a Progress 8 score. If the Progress 8 score for the school is -0.5 or lower, the school will fall below the floor standard; this is likely to trigger an Ofsted inspection.
5.2 The results of Tameside schools do differ under Progress 8 and Attainment 8 and it is important that the authority is fully aware of how the individual performance of schools may be affected under the new accountability measures.

## 6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 That the board is kept fully up to date with the changes to performance measures that are taking place over the coming years.

## APPENDIX A

Position of Tameside schools within the borough in terms of both the current accountability indicators and the 2016 accountability indicators.
The table below is ranked by Progress 8 score.



[^0]:    From: Democratic Services Unit - any further information may be obtained from the reporting officer or from Linda Walker, to whom any apologies for absence should be notified.

