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## **French International School achieves outstanding results for 2017 IGCSEs**

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**The French International School (FIS) is delighted to announce that its Year 11 students have excelled in the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) Examinations.**

The Cambridge IGCSE programme is a universally recognized qualification among international schools and universities worldwide which aims to provide learners with a broad and balanced mix of practical experience and theoretical knowledge. This year, **57% of FIS students achieved at least 8 A\*/A grades with almost half awarded 9 or more A\*/A grades. Three students recorded 9 straight A\*, one student achieved 9A\* plus 1A and another excelled with 11A\* plus 1A grade.**

Furthermore, **50% of all IGCSE examinations taken by FIS students were awarded at A\*, 78% were awarded at A\*/A and 97% were awarded at A\*- C.** These results are far beyond the 2016 UK national average of 20.7% for A\*/A and 66.9% for A\*- C.

*“Congratulations to all our IGCSE graduates! Their dedication and hard work over the last 2 years along with the support provided by teachers and parents have produced these excellent results”* applauded Ian Clayton, Head of International Stream.

These students will now progress to the IB Diploma Programme in Years 12 and 13. Ian Clayton believes that the IGCSE programme helps students build a strong foundation for the IB Diploma Programme, in which FIS students have consistently excelled in since 1988 when the school became the first in Hong Kong to be authorised as an IB World School.

All members of the FIS Class of 2017 successfully obtained the full IB Diploma and celebrated achieving an average score of 37.5 points, 7.45 points above the world average. 33% of FIS students received 40 points or above with 1 student awarded the maximum score of 45 points, an outstanding accomplishment shared with only 217 others worldwide!

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## **About French International School (FIS)**

FIS was established in 1963/64 as one of the first international schools in Hong Kong. The school offers two streams: the French and International Streams, preparing students towards certification in the French national examination, the French Baccalaureate or the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma. In 1988, FIS became the first in Hong Kong to be authorised as an IB World School.

The school will open a new state of the art eco-campus in Tseung Kwan O in September 2018. Currently, the school is one of the largest international through schools in Hong Kong and welcomes over 2,600 students from Reception/Moyenne Section to Year 13/Terminale, representing 40 different nationalities, across four campuses in Happy Valley, Jardine's Lookout, Chai Wan and Hung Hom.

The school's mission is to provide, together with families, a nurturing, culturally diverse community that inspires our young people to realize their true potential as confident, independent learners and responsible global citizens with moral values and integrity.

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