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## **The Sky's the Limit for Shoreham Academy Sixth Formers ~ Students offered places at Oxbridge ~**

Shoreham Academy is celebrating after two of its students received offers to study at Oxbridge. Zandile Powell has been offered a place to study International Relations and Political Science at Selwyn College, Cambridge whilst Matthew Randall has been offered a place to read Earth Sciences at St Edmund Hall, Oxford. Zandile and Matthew, who have both been given conditional offers. This is the first occasion that two students in the same year have been offered places at Oxbridge reflecting the rising standards and aspirations of the academy. Matthews Randall said that he is really excited about getting the offer and hopes that his hard work will pay dividends

There was further cause for celebration as Joshua Urban accepted a scholarship from the Royal Northern College of Music to study Musical Composition. This is a fantastic achievement given there are only five places available.

Commenting on the remarkable achievements of the Shoreham Academy students, Kieran Felton, Head of Sixth Form said:

‘At Shoreham Academy, we aim to establish a culture of high expectations, ambition and aspiration and we are delighted to see our students reaching their full potential. The Oxbridge application process is no easy task but, with the support of their teachers, both Zandile and Matthew ensured they were fully prepared for their interviews and I am thrilled that all their hard work has paid off. We look forward to continuing to support them as they prepare for their A Level exams and achieve the grades they need to secure their offers.

‘Zandile, Matthew and Joshua’s achievements will spur on our younger students and show them that through hard work, determination and commitment, it is possible to achieve any goals they set for themselves – however ambitious.’

Jim Coupe, Principal of Shoreham Academy, added:

'The achievements of these students are just the tip of the iceberg. Across the academy, particularly in our sixth form, we are seeing our students achieve amazing things both inside and outside the classroom and in the wider community. Our students are highly ambitious for themselves and are prepared to work hard to gain the experiences and skills they need to follow their career paths of choice.'

Congratulating the students on their achievements, Dame Sally Coates, Director of Secondary Academies (South) at United Learning of which Shoreham Academy is a part, said:

'These offers from prestigious institutions are testament to the incredible dedication of students and staff of Shoreham Academy Sixth Form.'

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