

**REPORT FOR: EDUCATION
CONSULTATIVE FORUM**

Date of Meeting: 7 March 2012

Subject: INFORMATION REPORT –

Update on Harrow Pupils' Attainment
and Progress Summer 2011

Responsible Officer: Catherine Doran
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Services

Exempt: No

Enclosures: None

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report provides a summary update on the report on Harrow Pupils' Attainment and Progress received by Forum members on 7 November 2011. This report, now based on validated data, follows on from that previous report and confirms its content.

Recommendations:

Members are asked to note the content of this information report.

Section 2 – Report

Introductory paragraph

1. This information report confirms Harrow's relative performance against the national averages for England in 2011.

Early Years Foundation Stage

2. Standards have improved in Early Years for the last five years in Harrow and we are now close to the national average. Although the gap in performance (between the average and the average of the lowest performing 20% of children) has narrowed we still have a gap that is significantly higher than the national.

Key Stage 1

3. Standards at Level 2+ in reading and writing have improved since 2008 and we are ranked 19th and 17th nationally respectively. We were ranked 42nd and 50th in 2007. Standards at Level 2+ in mathematics have remained constant in recent years and we are ranked 52nd.

Key Stage 2

4. For the percentage of children below Level 3 in English and maths at the end of Key Stage 2 we are ranked 12th and 18th respectively. In 2009 we were 79th and 51st but Forum Members should note that numbers are small in this group and it is a rank subject to annual variation even with small changes.
5. Standards in English and mathematics at Level 4+ have improved since 2009, particularly in mathematics, and we are ranked 23rd and 28th respectively. Harrow is ranked 21st for the percentage of pupils who get both English and maths at Level 4+ and 14th on the Average Points Score achieved. We are ranked 29th and 30th for progress in English and maths respectively from Key Stage 1 to the end of Key Stage 2.

Key Stage 4

6. At GCSE Harrow is ranked 16th in England for the percentage of children achieving 5A*-C including English and maths and 11th for the percentage achieving the 'English Baccalaureate'. For progress in English from Key Stage 2 Harrow is ranked 14th and for progress in mathematics we are ranked 6th.

6th Form

7. Harrow schools' 6th Forms achieved very well in 2011. For 2+ passes Harrow is ranked 6th in the country and 14th for average points score.

Narrowing the Gap

8. Harrow was one of a small number of Local Authorities that narrowed the gap in attainment against all four of the reported national benchmarks (EYFS, Key Stages 1, 2 and 4).

Section 3 – Financial Implications

9. There are no financial comments in relation to this report.

Section 4 - Equalities implications

10. As this is an information report on progress and attainment in schools it does not require an Equality Impact Assessment.

Section 5 – Corporate Priorities

11. These considerations will support the Council's Corporate Priorities for 2011-2012:
 - United and involved communities: a Council that listens and leads.
 - Supporting and protecting people who are most in need.

Section 6 - Statutory Officer Clearance

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on behalf of the
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Date: 22 February 2012

Section 6 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers:

Report to the Education Consultative Forum dated 7 November 2011 - Harrow Pupils' Attainment and Progress: Summer 2011 (Provisional)