

## Examination Results Analysis 2007

### GCSE Full Course Religious Studies 2007

	Caerphilly 2007	Caerphilly 2006	Caerphilly 2005	All Wales
A* - A	28.3%	32.2%	27.2%	30.4%
A* - C	72.9%	78.2%	73.7%	70.4%
A* - G	99.3%	99.6%	97.6%	98.5%
Entry	584 x 13 schools	490 x 13 schools	449 x 12 schools	5654

#### Comments

- There were 584 entries this year from 13 schools. This is a significant increase over 2006 and there has been a year on year increase in entry numbers since 2004.
- The overall % of **A\*-C** grades for Caerphilly was **72.9%**. This is a good result and although below last year's performance is better than the All-Wales figure of 70.4%
- The overall % of **A\*-G** grades for Caerphilly was **99.3%**. This again is a very good result and comparable with 2006 and the All-Wales figure of 97.8%.
- The overall % of **A\*-A** grades for Caerphilly was 28.3% and although below the All-Wales figure of 30.4% and the 2006 performance there has been a consistency in a significant % of pupils achieving this top grade over a three-year period.

#### Conclusion

- The results this year, once again are very good at all grades and generally comparable with previous performance and the All Wales figures. Schools are to be commended at maintaining such good examination results.

## GCSE Short Course (Specification B) Religious Studies 2007

	Caerphilly 2007	Caerphilly 2006	Caerphilly 2005	All Wales
A* - A	17.1%	13.5%	12.5%	20.6%
A* - C	54.0%	53.9%	54.7%	60.4%
A* - G	92.2%	94.7%	95.7%	95.9%
Entry	1013 x 12 schools	1193 x 12 schools	1093 x 12 schools	17793

### Comments

- There were **1013** entries this year from 12 schools. Numbers have gone down but many schools now enter pupils for Further Short Course and this enables them to have a full GCSE qualification. Their results will then show in Full Course data.
- The overall % of **A\*-C** grades for Caerphilly was **54%** and is comparable to previous performance but below the All Wales figure of 60.4%
- The overall % of **A\*-G** grades for Caerphilly was **92.2%** and is below previous performance and the All-Wales figure of 95.9%
- The overall % of **A\*-A** grades for Caerphilly was 17.1% and is better than previous performance but below the All-Wales figure of 20.6%.

### Conclusions

- There have been steady entry numbers for short course over the last three years.
- The results at all grades are satisfactory although below All - Wales figures at all grade boundaries. However, we must bear in mind that this course is not an option but a fulfilment of statutory requirements and it is very pleasing to see 92.2% of pupils receiving some kind of accreditation for their studies at KS4.

## GCSE A Level Religious Studies 2006

	Caerphilly 2007	Caerphilly 2006	Caerphilly 2005	All Wales
A	23.9%	12.3%	11.5%	19.5%
A - C	83.6%	63.0%	65.6%	75.9%
A - E	100%	95.9%	98.4%	98.5%
Entry	67 x 6 schools	73 x 8 schools	61 x 6 schools	951

### Comments

- A total of 67 candidates from 6 schools were entered for the exam. There were less entered this year.
- Those pupils achieving **A** grade were 23.9% and this was a significant improvement over 2006 and better than the All Wales figure of 19.5%
- The % pass rate for grades **A - C** was 83.6% and this was a significant improvement over 2006 and better than the All Wales figure of 75.9%
- The % pass rate for grades **A - E** was excellent at 100% and exceeds previous performance and the All-Wales figures of 98.5%.

### Conclusions

- It is encouraging to see that results have significantly improved at grades A and A-C and that all pupils entered passed their exams.

### GCSE AS Level Religious Studies 2006

	<b>Caerphilly 2007</b>	<b>Caerphilly 2006</b>	<b>Caerphilly 2005</b>	<b>All Wales</b>
A	19.4%	16.7%	7.4%	16.3%
A - C	65.3%	64.1%	51.9%	60.2%
A - E	95.8%	92.3%	89.1%	91.1%
Entry	72 x 7 schools	78 x 6 schools	81 x 6 schools	

#### **Comments**

- There were a total of 72 candidates from 7 schools for the AS examination. This figure is similar to the numbers entered in 2006.
- At **A-E** the pass rate was 95.8% and this is better than 2006 and the All Wales figure of 91.1%
- At **A-C** the pass rate was 65.3% and this is comparable with 2006 and better than the All Wales figure of 60.2%%
- At **A** grade there was a 19.4% pass rate and this exceeds the All Wales figure and previous performance.

At all grade boundaries results are better than previous performance and the All-Wales figures.

SACRE needs to take into account that there is still a very incomplete picture at AS because the grades are accumulated over a two year period.

**Cohort entry for Religious Studies Specification B  
Short Course Examination**

<b>School</b>	<b>Key Stage 4 Pupils</b>	<b>% Year 11</b>
Bedwas High	82	73.2%
Blackwood Comprehensive	0	0
Cwmcarn Comprehensive	6	3.5%
Heolddu Comprehensive	0	0
Lewis Girls	131	77.9%
Lewis School	166	86.5%
Newbridge Comprehensive	131	61.2%
Oakdale Comprehensive	117	78%
Pontllanfraith Comprehensive	104	62.3%
Rhymney Comprehensive	78	45%
Risca Community Comprehensive	41	34.7%
St Ilan	63	82.9%
St Martins	49	24.7%
St Cenydd	45	23.7%
Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni	0	0

Average cohort entry for Wales of 44.1%.  
Caerphilly average cohort - 43.6%

**Cohort entry for Religious Studies  
Examination**

<b>School</b>	<b>Key Stage 4 Pupils</b>	<b>% Year 11</b>
Bedwas High	19	17%
Blackwood Comprehensive	25	12.8%
Cwmcarn Comprehensive	130	76%
Heolddu Comprehensive	18	12.3%
Lewis Girls	21	12.5%
Lewis School	9	4.7%
Newbridge Comprehensive	42	19.6%
Oakdale Comprehensive	37	24.7%
Pontllanfraith Comprehensive	13	7.8%
Rhymney Comprehensive	67	38.7%
Risca Community Comprehensive	0	0
St Ilan	0	0
St Martins	111	57.2%
St Cenydd	66	34.7%
Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni	26	14.2%

Average cohort entry for Wales of 14.3%.  
Caerphilly – average cohort - 22.1%