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Charter College celebrates top students in Cambridge exams

Students receive top marks in the country despite pandemic

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📷 Top IGCSE Cambridge student in SA, Naadiya Seedta (L); ICT student in SA, Natalie Castanheira (M); and Reece Stoltz, the top design and technology student in SA. Picture: Alice Mpholo.

Charter College celebrated and awarded the school’s top achieving students on 9 April. Certificates were handed out to students who excelled in the November 2020 IGCSE exams.

Principal Alison Dodge congratulated all the teachers whose students were receiving awards and started the proceeding by saying, “Your hard work has definitely paid off and you have gone the extra mile”.

An advertisement banner for Wize Eyes Princess Optometrist. On the left, a dark blue box contains the text "WIZE EYES PRINCESS OPTOMETRIST" in white. To the right, a close-up of a human eye with a striking blue iris is shown. Below the eye, the text "MAKE AN APPOINTMENT NOW!" is written in red and black.





Naadiya Seedat accepting her award. Picture: Alice Mpholo

Naadiya Seedat achieved 99 per cent in her mathematics exam and is the top Cambridge student in South Africa for IGCSE maths. She is also the top biology student in the country with an exam mark of 98 per cent; she further received 98 per cent in physics, making her the top student in the subject in South Africa. "And on that note, I think Naadiya deserves the Cambridge Honours award as well. Congratulations," Allison added.

Natalie Castanheira was announced as the top ICT student in the country with a mark of 95 per cent, and Reece Stoltz received recognition as the top design and technology student in South Africa with a mark of 92 per cent.





Parents accepting awards on behalf of their children: Laura Nyathi and Munashe Hakutangwi, respectively. Picture: Alice Mpholo

"There were 19 awards for South African schools for the IGCSE exams and you can see how well we've done. Five of our students achieved awards, which is absolutely phenomenal. We achieved the most awards in the IGCSE category," Allison said as she congratulated the students and educators.

Two students received awards for the AS levels and although both students are now at university, their proud parents accepted the awards on their behalf. Laura Nyathi received the high achievement award which Cambridge gives out to the top two students. She had a mark of 88 per cent for her AS level accounting. The second accounting award was given to Munashe Hakutangwi, who was the top accounting student in South Africa with a mark of 95 per cent, an award that his older brother has previously received.





Charter College Principal Alison Dodge. Picture: Alice Mpholo.

The 2020 academic year has been particularly difficult to students but that award ceremony was further proof that children are more resilient than we give them credit for, and that even a pandemic cannot hold you back when you are determined to achieve your best. "Last year we achieved higher exam marks than we have ever achieved. Well done, Grade 12s. Let's see what you can do this year. No pressure!" Allison concluded.

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