

ARK ACADEMY A-LEVEL CHEMIST IN THE TOP 5 RESULTS IN THE COUNTRY!



Ark Academy was thrilled to discover that our past pupil Jai Sorabji-Stewart (Class of 2017) achieved the in the **top 5 highest marks** in the **Salters Advanced Chemistry course**, in the Summer Exams of 2017.

Jai was over the moon with his achievement and while he knew he had done well, getting an A* in A-Level Chemistry, to learn he was in the top 5 was beyond his expectation. "I always enjoyed the course and the challenge presented through the spiralled curriculum, it made sense to me to study Chemistry in real world settings."

Miss Keane, who has taught Jai Chemistry since he started at Ark Academy in Year 7 was also very thrilled with his achievement. "To achieve such a high grade in Chemistry is particularly difficult as the subject and exam is so multifaceted. It shows a real flare for a multitude of skills, an obviously affinity to Maths has helped, but the level of extended writing, decoding questions from difficult and unfamiliar contexts, reading longer chemical literature in order to access question and be pin-point accurate with answers is by no means easy! Jai is a credit to himself and his work ethic and dedication has paid off"

The prizes are awarded annually by the Salters Institute for the achievement in the course produced by the Science Education Group at the University of York and aims to stimulate and capture interest in the subject by being application led. Jai received his award in the prestigious annual event held at Salters' Hall to celebrate high levels of excellence within the science education sector. This year the Ceremony took place on **Friday 8 December 2017**. Around **180** guests attended the Awards Ceremony and lunch reception.

The Rt Hon The Lord Willetts, Executive Chair of the Resolution Foundation and Honorary Freeman of the Salters' Company who delivered a keynote address and presented the Awards at the Ceremony.

Jai is now studying Maths at St. Johns College Cambridge and while his first passion lies in the world of mathematics he hasn't quite ruled out a future career in Chemistry.



Jai Sorabji-Stewart with Miss Keane