

CARMEL COLLEGE LEAVERS 2026

NEXT STEPS



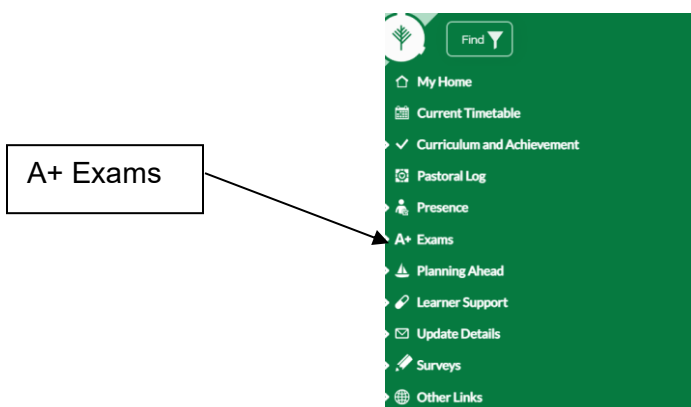
Dear Student

Thank you for being a part of the Carmel community. We are very proud of all our students and the contributions they make to college life. We hope that you feel fully prepared to move on to the next exciting stage of your education or career.

We will continue to support you over the coming weeks. Please find below key information regarding your results and progression to university, apprenticeships or employment.

Results Day Thursday 13th August 2026

Your exam results will be available to view on CEDAR from 8.00 am. To log in to your CEDAR page, you need to follow the link **cedar.carmel.ac.uk** and sign in as a student via Microsoft using your student ID and password. Please be patient as you log in to CEDAR, the system will be dealing with a high volume of users at this time. Later in the morning, we will also send a Statement of Results to your college email account. Before results day, please make sure that you can log in to CEDAR, and access your emails, from outside of college. Please contact itservices@carmel.ac.uk if you have any difficulties logging in.



Support and Guidance

Staff will be available in college to help with any queries from 9.00am. Information about the support available will be sent via your college email.

Information about how to access a review of marking, script returns, deadlines and fees will be sent via your college email. Alternatively, please contact exams@carmel.ac.uk or telephone 01744 452236 or 01744 452237 if you require further guidance.

Results Day Celebration

Please come into college for our **Results Day Celebration from 10.30am**. You can collect your Statement of Results and celebrate alongside staff and students with cake and bubbly! There will also be an opportunity to have your photograph taken.

Student Destination Tracking

The college has to record the destinations of all students when they leave Carmel. For students heading to university, we will receive updates from our UCAS services. Our MIS team will be in touch with those students not heading to HE, after you receive your results, for information about your intended next steps.

If you have any queries regarding this information, please email MIS@carmel.ac.uk.

University Offers/Careers Support

University decisions can be viewed on TRACK via the UCAS website.

Unsure of next steps or need help with Clearing?

If you don't achieve the grades for your first-choice university, please don't panic. Our Personal Achievement Tutors and Careers Team are available to assist you if required. They will be here on the following dates and times:

Thursday 13th August at 9.00am – 3 pm in the college library

Friday 14th August 9.00am – 12.30 pm in the PAT base

If you are unable to come into college, please telephone 01744 4522000.

If you don't have the grades you need for your first choice of university

- Insurance offers are automatically updated on Track
- have UCAS number, login details and contact details for universities so you can speak to them directly
- consider applying for alternative courses through CLEARING.

Clearing

- Clearing is available through UCAS to help you find courses at universities that still have places available.
- It is only available if you have no offers – so if you decide to change your mind with regard to courses, then you would have to turn down any offers before entering clearing.
- Clearing vacancies are published on the UCAS website via the Search Tool. This list is constantly updated. You can also see lists on university websites.
- Think about your choices carefully. You will need to speak directly to any universities that you are interested in, and they will then ask you to 'Add Clearing Choice'. You will need your UCAS Clearing Number, which you can find on the "Your Choices" section of Track.
- Full instructions on how the process operates is on the UCAS website
<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing>

Top Tips

- Act quickly – any available places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so once you know you are in clearing, make sure you check the available courses as soon as you can.
- Remember that you need to speak to universities yourself. Don't worry about this – the staff on university helplines are experienced at helping students with the clearing process.

- Talk over your decision with friends and family. If you are unsure about anything, give college a ring. We can support you over the phone, virtual interview via Teams, or in person via a booked appointment.
- If you are accepted onto a new course, you will need to update your student finance application with Student Finance England. Tel: 0300 100 0607
- If you did not originally apply to university, you can still apply during the Clearing process. You need to register on UCAS.

GCSE Results

These grades will be available on **CEDAR from 8.00am on Thursday 20st August**. Later in the morning, you will also receive an email with your Statement of Results.

Exam Board Certificates

Certificates arrive at college towards the end of the Autumn term. They are posted out to students via recorded delivery unless a prior arrangement is made in advance of our receipt of the certificates. **Please ensure that you inform us of any changes to your contact details.**

Return of Books and Materials

ALL college textbooks and library reference books need to be returned to us following your last exam and no later than **Friday 19th June**. Students will be invoiced for the cost of any unreturned books.

Life Beyond Carmel

Having moved away from Carmel, students sometimes want to change course, institution or career. Before making any hasty decisions, you should make sure that you have given yourself enough time to settle and adjust. If you have started university and now want to leave, change course/institution, then talk to your university advisers in the first instance. Please be aware that you may have to repay money already received – contact Student Finance England for advice. If you have not applied to university to take a GAP year and want to apply for September 2027, Carmel College can still support you with this. Please contact your former Personal Achievement Tutor or a Pastoral Director for further guidance. For independent careers information and advice contact the **National Careers Service online or via phone on 0800 100 900**.

Join our Alumni

Carmel Alumni go on to forge incredible careers in many different fields and often return to us to share their experiences with our students. After leaving college, you become part of our alumni community, which allows us to stay connected and helps to inspire the students of tomorrow.

Please follow the link to register: [Alumni 2026](#)

You may be one of our 'Inspire Me' speakers of the future!

Finally, we wish you the very best of luck in your upcoming exams, and hope that you make the best of every opportunity in the future.

Best wishes

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