



Regent High School headteacher Gary Moore congratulates pupil Mohammed Jaman



Haverstock pupil Drini Merovci opens his results with the school's new headteacher James Hadley



Akala with 'little brother' Khameron Guley

# It's a rap for GCSE students!

by TOM FOOT

AKALA provided a reassuring presence for his little brother as he opened his GCSE results.

The political rapper, historian and founder of the Hip Hop Shakespeare Company – a former Adand Burghley pupil – was at neighbouring William Ellis School in Highgate Road on Thursday.

His "little brother" Khameron Guley, 16, passed his nine GCSEs, including grade 6 in maths and English.

It is the first year that new number grades have been awarded in some GCSEs – with 9 being the highest.

Teenagers scooped top grades at schools across Camden, including those at the Royal Free Hospital Children's School where 12 pupils celebrated exam success.

Leah O'Dea, who lives in Finchley Road, but was in hospital during her exams, said: "I was hoping to do better in my sciences, but I felt so relieved when I saw my A grade in art and my grade 7 in English."

Some 72 per cent of all GCSE entries in Camden schools were awarded a grade C or grade 4 and above – which is 6 per cent above the national average.

Council leader Georgia Gould said: "Congratulations to Camden students, and their teachers, who have worked so hard to achieve some amazing results, despite massive changes to the exam and grading system this year."

● Pictured on page 1 are Adand Burghley teacher Asma Khan and pupil Lily Lovering.



High-achieving pupils at Hampstead School on GCSE results day



Above: William Ellis head of year Horace Parry with GCSE student Hanisa Ali. Left: Leah O'Dea



William Ellis student Mohammed Miah celebrates his impressive grades, including three A grades and one A\*