

UAK Parents

Meeting For Parents & Community Members

Sunday 4th Dec 2011
1.30-3.00pm

Central Hall, Keighley

Today's Meeting

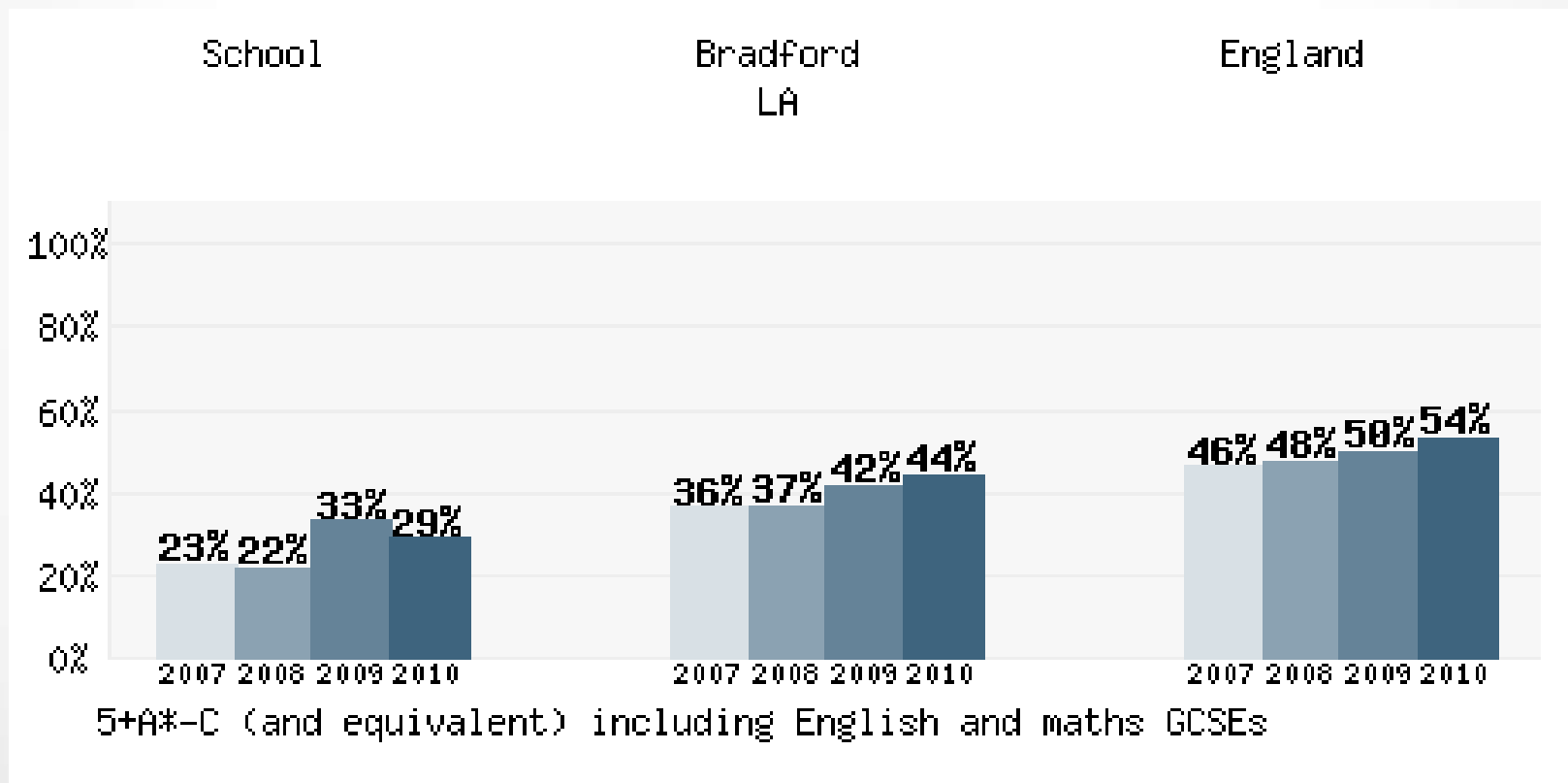
- **Why you have been invited here**
 - **To discuss the consistently poor academic performance of UAK and to decide what we as parents can do about it**
- **What we will do**
 - Explain about who UAK Parents are
 - Describe to you the challenges faced by our children
 - What we have done so far
 - What we feel needs to happen now
- **What we want to achieve**
 - A common and agreed understanding of the current situation at UAK
 - Organise and coordinated actions by parents in the interests of our children
 - Contact lists so we can stay in touch
 - Next steps and actions we need to take

Who are UAK Parents

- We are a group of parents with children attending UAK who are concerned about their future
- Education is about life chances – what happens to our children if they miss out on education and are failed by **the system**?
- uakparents@hotmail.co.uk
- uak.yolasite.com

DFE Website

- http://www.education.gov.uk/cgi-bin/performanceables/school_10.pl?Mode=Z&No=3804066&Type=LA&Begin=s&Num=380&Phase=1&Year=10&Base=g (Dec 4th 2011)



5+ A*-C (and equivalent) including English and maths GCSEs



“Making the Grade 9th Sept 2011”

UAK School Website

- Star GCSE students include Iram Mehrban (pictured) who looked in disbelief as she realised she'd gained 10 A and 3 A* grades! Aisha Malik, Umara Rauf and Sambreena Khan chalked up 22 A / A* grades between them and Agata Sadowska and Shouna Wahid also gained 5 A / A* each. Also scoring highly with GCSE A / A* were Safraz Hussain, Faheem Ahmed, Shaista Bibi, Akmal Hussain, Afza Iqbal and Tahira Bibi.
- 47% of students achieved a grade A or A* in at least one subject and 58% achieved at least five GCSEs at or above grade C. English certainly proved to be a strong subject for our students. There was 100% pass rate (A* - G) at GCSE English, 99% pass rate (A* - G) at GCSE English Literature, 100% pass rate at AS and A2 English Language and 100% pass rate at AS and A2 English Literature. The best ever results; the Literature results smash all previous years!

Results – The truth!

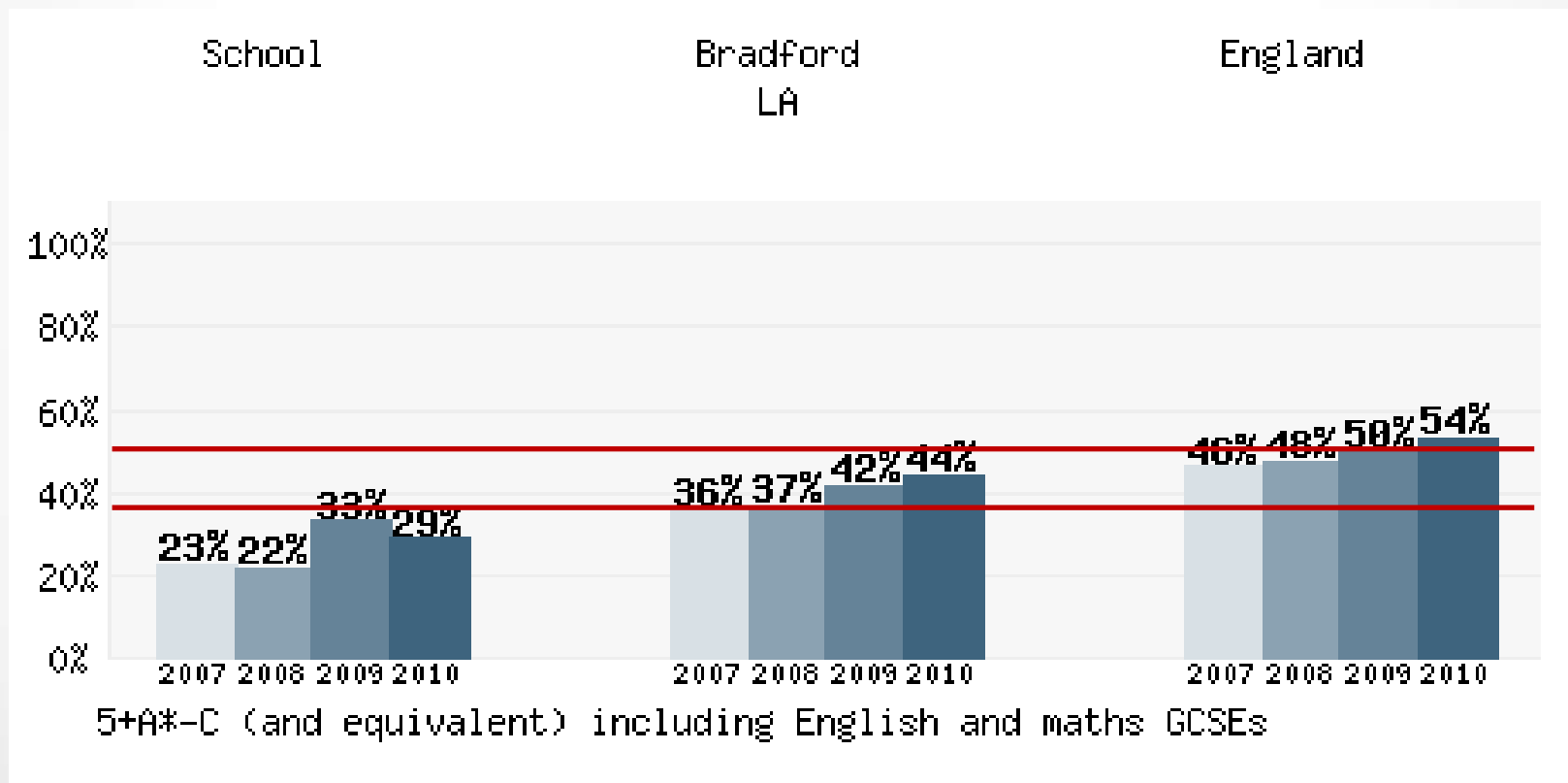
Results - 5GCSE A*-C, Including English & Maths

Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
National Average	46.8%	47.6%	49.8%	53.4%	58.3%
UAK	23%	22%	33%	29%	26%

- **Minimum floor target 35% - new target will be going up to 50% (for 2015)**
- On Avg. Boys 10% behind girls (School not providing figures)

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What we have done so far

- Letter addressed to chair – copy for parents(Oct).
- Copies of letter confiscated by School Liaison Police Officer – even though it was not illegal
- School saying not allowed to distribute letter since it is addressed to chair
- Letters confiscated from children intended for their parents.
- Detention for children in possession of letter.
- Reply from Chair, Councillor to help resolve this matter.

What do we want?

- We want
 - to act to secure a better educational standard for our children and do not accept the underperformance as a normal state of affairs.
 - the School to be successful
 - the children to succeed
 - We want someone who will move the school forward
- What we don't want
 - To continue failing our children in this school
 - WE DO NOT WANT TO CLOSE THE SCHOOL

What next?

- Petition starting today – please sign it.
- Only parents and carers to sign the petition (**Very Important!**)
- Invitation to meet Governors - Who is interested in being part of delegation of parents to meet governors.
- Please add your email to our mailing list if you want to be kept up to date with what is going on.

Our Conclusions

- We have no confidence in the senior leadership team and their ability to improve UAK academic performance
- We feel a change is needed in the school in order to turn this situation around and improve academic performance for everyone – not just a few
- We need you to help and get involved