GCSE Results: Gresham’s School student Will Jones proves hard work pays off

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For 16-year-old Will Jones, of Little Witchingham, being an academic has never been his strong point but yesterday (Thursday) his results proved that hard work pays off.

The Gresham’s School student scooped an impressive set of grades from A* to C’s and now plans to study A-Levels to achieve his dream of becoming an estate manager.

He said: “I’m not the best at school so to understand something in the classroom I have to try especially hard - I struggle to retain information.

“Because of this I had extra help from one of the teachers, including one to one lessons to go over things I did not understand in class. We also used techniques such as mind maps and learnt how to remember things.

“My family has been really supportive.”

As well as overcoming his struggles at school, in his own time Mr Jones passed his tractor driving test this summer, gaining 100pc in his exam, and as a result has been operating a large combined harvester on the family farm.

In addition, he also passed a gliding course with the Combined Cadet Force (RAF section).

Mr Jones was keen to offer this advice to other students: “Keep going because the harder you work the better it will be at the end of the day.”

His mum, Victoria Jones, a former teacher at Gresham’s School, added: “William has consistently worked hard over the last two years.”