



Reward offer: British Superbike champion Tommy Hill

Bike champion's dog stolen along with van

British Superbike champion Tommy Hill is calling for the safe return of his family's dog after he was stolen on Monday. Thieves took the Old Tyme Bulldog puppy, which is micro-chipped, when they drove off in Mr Hill's father Mick's white van in Shirley, Croydon. The Hill family are offering a "substantial reward" for the safe return of the four-month-old dog. The 27-year-old said: "Some people are closer to

their dogs than others, but we are pretty close to ours. "Hopefully with the power of Twitter and the media we will find him." The dog, who has a distinctive black mark under his right eye, was taken at around 12pm on Monday. For the last two months he has travelled in the van to Mr Hill's work place. Mr Hill's brother, Jimmy, 23, said: "It would be good to get him back." Anyone with information should call 07769 327950.

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Students achieve record A-level and Btec results

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Sixth form colleges across the borough announced record high A-level results this year.

Private and state schools in Croydon were celebrating after the borough's teenagers scored almost 100 per cent passes at both A-level and Btec qualifications on Thursday.

Private schools Trinity, Croydon High School and Old Palace set new records for the numbers of pupils achieving top grades.

At Trinity 64.2 per cent of the grades awarded were A or A*s and 91.2 per cent were A* to B.

Croydon High School achieved 86 per cent A* to B, Old Palace 89 per cent A* to Cs and Royal Russell School 92 per cent A* to C.

State funded school kept pace with their paid-for rivals scoring top results in both A-level and Btec qualifications.

Thomas More Catholic School achieved a 98 per cent pass rate at A-level - 16 per cent of the results were A* or A grade. In total 58 per cent of all marks were A* to C grades.

Archbishop Tenison pupils achieved a 98.3 per cent pass rate in their A-levels.

The school scored 65.4 per cent A* to C grades

At Coloma Convent Girls' School 10 per cent of all grades were A*s, 32 per cent were A* or As and 87 per cent were A*s to Cs, while at John Ruskin there was a 98.4 per cent pass rate in this year's Btec qualifications, which are equivalent to three A-levels.

Pupils at the Harris Federation, which includes sixth-form colleges in Purley, South Norwood and Crystal Palace, got an average score of 752, equivalent to two As and a B.

Students at Croydon College notched up a 93 per cent A-level pass rate and pupils at Coudson Sixth Form College registered a 100 per cent pass rate for its Btec entrants, and 93 per cent pass rate for its A-level students.

On Thursday, August 23, GCSE students across Croydon will hope to emulate their older colleagues.

Visit croydonguardian.co.uk for details of all the results in the borough.



Happy day: Natasha Robertson, Katie Earl and Rebekah Davis, of Thomas More Catholic School

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Top marks: Aoife Gilbride, Emma Goddard and Gemma Price, of Coloma Convent Girls' School

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Screen inspiration: Ejatu Shaw, 15, started Depiktion Design after struggling to find part-time work

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Age no bar to student setting up her design business

A teenage entrepreneur has set up her own design business after struggling to find a job.

Ejatu Shaw, from Addiscombe, started Depiktion Design after struggling to find part-time work.

The 15-year-old who has

always had a passion for art and design, decided to try and use her hobby to make money.

She said: "I was trying to find a job online, but I couldn't find any that would take a 15-year-old. I used to draw a lot of portraits and discovered I could also do logos.

"I contacted companies on social media and began designing album covers for them."

Her first international client was Vickie Remoe, a talk-show host who wanted a logo for her new clothing range.

Ejatu said: "She is famous in

Sierra Leone where I am from. It was great to create the logo for her."

The schoolgirl is keen to expand her business and said she would love to have a other teenagers on her team.

To find out more visit facebook.com/depiktiondesign.

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