



Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents

Alongside this letter today you will be receiving our Ofsted report, which was undertaken on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024. This inspection was a full section 5 inspection and therefore all categories of the school's work were considered.

You will see from the report that our overall effectiveness has been judged as 'Requires Improvement.' Whilst the judgement seems disappointing, the staff, leaders of both the school and the Trust as well as Governors recognise that the school is on a journey of improvement which is not yet fully realised. This is underpinned by the inspectors' acknowledgement that, 'there is ambition for all pupils to achieve the skills and understanding they need to succeed', but that our 'vision is not yet fully realised.' We are also pleased with the recognition of the work undertaken across the curriculum and the 'passport' that the school has for each child's journey. What the Ofsted inspectors also acknowledged was many of the staffing challenges that the school has faced and recognised this as part of a national picture.

The report and feedback within the inspection also acknowledged the support from both the Trust and the Governors. The collective effort will continue and myself and the Governors are keen to discuss at the next Academy Governance Committee meeting in early May how best we can work with parents to continue on the next phase of our journey.

As always, we welcome the support from our school community as we continue to take the school on the path of improvement. However, we also recognise that some areas of the community have mixed views about the school and have, at times, felt let down. We want to ensure that we do all we can to bring the whole community together to make the improvements that we need to.

Many thanks

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