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Dear Parent/Guardian

Ofsted Inspection Visit

We are very pleased to be able to publish our first Ofsted inspection report which can be found here.

The report judges the school to be "GOOD" in every inspection category. We feel that the report provides a very fair assessment of the school and reflects the very constructive approach of the inspection team during their two day visit. The inspection was very thorough and was led by a very experienced Lead Inspector. The team left no stone unturned in their analysis of the school and visited many lessons, examined student work, and interviewed a wide range of staff and students in order to reach their conclusions.

We were delighted to read that, "throughout the school, staff are hard-working and committed to ensuring pupils thrive, feel safe and gain the confidence they need to achieve" and that we have developed a "successful, engaging learning community". The report recognises our ethos is, "built on the values of equality and inclusion, leading to a culture of mutual respect and openness" and that "diversity and a sense of vibrancy permeate the school". The sense of ambition and vision for our school and our students is very clear as is the value to the school of being a part of the Maiden Erlegh Trust.

We are very proud of the many other positive comments made in the report and reassured that the areas identified that we still need to develop were not a surprise to us and are reflected in our school improvement priorities. Whilst satisfying Ofsted inspectors is not the reason for doing what we do, it is nevertheless hugely encouraging to read such positive comments from highly qualified and experienced education professionals.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues in the staff team who have worked so tirelessly to establish, grow and develop our school and to thank you, our parents and families, who have placed your trust in the school and have supported our vision and ethos. Inspections are never comfortable but are important in ensuring that educational standards are high and that there is a good return on the significant investment of public funds in the school.

The Ofsted Judgement gives us a real platform for future development and improvement. My team and I are absolutely committed to that and will not be complacent in our aspirations for the students in our school.

We want to offer the opportunity to answer any questions you may have about the inspection report and also take the opportunity to share our school improvement priorities for the next academic year and will arrange a date for this before the end of term. We will let you about this in due course.

Yours sincerely

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