

***'The school no longer requires a category of concern. The school is now improving rapidly and continues its journey to being a good school.'***

Dear Parents and Carers

I am absolutely delighted to inform you that the recent Ofsted inspection took All Saints Academy **out** of a category of concern. We are no longer Inadequate and have been judged '**Requires Improvement**', but as you can see from the headline above, Ofsted feel that we are on a journey towards becoming a **good** school.

Please read the full Ofsted letter attached. I have colour-coded the report for you to highlight the 'sea of green', or good, comments that have been made. Amber comments reflect the fact that many of our initiatives and improvements have not yet been embedded. Red comments give us a very clear focus for the next phase of school improvement.

In particular the inspection team stated:

- The new headteacher has set a clear vision for school improvement...and is now bringing direction and raised expectations of both staff and pupils.
- Senior leaders share an ambition to improve the school further. They set aspirational targets for pupils and communicate high expectations for both staff and pupils.
- Governors have an astute understanding of the school's area of strength and areas for further development.
- Inadequate teaching is no longer tolerated.
- The overwhelming majority of pupils say they feel safe at school and a large majority say that bullying is dealt with swiftly and effectively.
- The school's revised behaviour policy...has raised expectations of behaviour.
- Better teaching and the improved management of behaviour, coupled with higher expectations, are now leading to enhanced progress for most pupils.
- The conduct of sixth formers across the school is admirable and they act as good role models for younger pupils.

I would like to thank all the staff and students for the effort they have put in over the last 15 months since I arrived at the Academy. With continued team-work we will aim to take the Academy on the next part of its journey to '**good**'!

Have a wonderful half-term break!

**Liz Furber**

Principal