

EAF/dgr

7th July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

You will recall that on the 22nd and 23rd November 2022 we had an Ofsted inspection, followed by a further 'Gaining Additional Evidence' visit two months later on the 24th January 2023, to complete the first inspection. The results from these two inspections are very different.

We are of the view that there are significant flaws in respect to the process undertaken during Ofsted's inspection of the Academy. The inspection involved two teams comprising eight inspectors in total, who took two months to reach very different judgements. We consider that Ofsted inspectors did not gain the additional evidence they needed to complete this inspection and this led them to provide an unfair final inspection report. As a result, and to protect the interests of the school, reluctantly, we requested permission in the High Court to apply for a Judicial Review.

I am pleased to say that on Thursday 22nd June we were given permission to take Ofsted to a Judicial Review of our case. Gaining permission is very rare, with only 22 schools being granted that permission since 2007. This Judicial Review is likely to take place in the autumn term.

Despite being granted permission to proceed with Judicial Review, the final inspection report has to be published as the Judge has ruled it is in the public interest. Ofsted will publish this on their website on Friday 7th July at 0700 and we therefore need to inform our parents and carers. A copy of the report is attached to this email.

I cannot say too much more as it may prejudice our case, but I will finish by showing you a comparison between the ratings we were led to believe would be given by the first inspection team (below on left) and the ratings as they actually appear on the report (below right). I am sure you will understand how disappointed we are and why we have battled so hard to try to stop this report being published before the findings of the Judicial Review.

Inspection dates: 22 and 23 November 2022,	
Overall effectiveness	Requires Improvement
The quality of education	Good
Behaviour and attitudes	Requires Improvement
Personal development	Good
Leadership and management	Good
Sixth-form provision	Good
Previous inspection grade	Requires improvement

Inspection of All Saints Academy Dunstable Houghton Road, Dunstable, Bedfordshire LU5 5AB	
Inspection dates: 22 and 23 November 2022, and 24 January 2023	
Overall effectiveness	Inadequate
The quality of education	Requires improvement
Behaviour and attitudes	Inadequate
Personal development	Requires improvement
Leadership and management	Inadequate
Sixth-form provision	Good
Previous inspection grade	Requires improvement

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Finally, please can you follow this link to a survey so that I can measure how much support we have from our Parents and Carers to challenge Ofsted through the courts?

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JDJXL6Y>

Best wishes

E.A. Furber

Liz Furber
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