



Ormiston Victory Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the countdown to Christmas.

We write to update you on the outcome of our most recent Ofsted inspection which took place on the 5th and 6th November.

I am so grateful to those of you who completed the ParentView survey – and to the children who spoke to the inspection team and shared their experiences. We have waited a long time for this visit – and I am thrilled it went so well.

We are delighted that Ofsted has identified Personal Development for students as 'Outstanding'. Inspectors concluded that this aspect of the academy is 'exemplary', with the opportunities students benefit from being 'extensive'. Similarly, students spoke to inspectors about the activities available to them with 'enthusiasm'.

Grading our academy 'Good' in all other areas as part of a newer inspection framework, Ofsted praised Victory for being 'an ambitious place' with a 'sense of community' which is instilled at all levels by all leaders.

The report states that our children and young people enjoy attending the academy and that our staff team are committed to ensuring that 'not only do students achieve, but that they enjoy their learning' - which we are very proud to see acknowledged in their feedback.

I would encourage you to read the report in full, which can be found on our [school website here](#). However, I wanted to share some of the key highlights with you all. This includes:

- Students enjoy studying a broad range of subjects and make good progress through the curriculum.
- At the heart of the academy's ambition is a deep sense of striving for the very best for students academically and more widely.
- The design of the curriculum has a positive impact on students' knowledge and understanding.
- Students can learn effectively because the academy is calm.
- Careers provision for students is a strength of the academy. It is well planned and provides regular opportunities to engage in the world of work. Sixth Form students move on to a wide range of apprenticeships and university courses.
- The academy responds effectively to students with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Appropriate adaptations are made in class to enable students to achieve well.
- Students are encouraged to be adventurous and independent.
- The academy has ensured that opportunities for staff's professional development enable them to have strong subject knowledge and provide an environment within which students thrive.
- Staff feel valued because of the opportunities offered to them through training, and the consideration of their workload and well-being.

As you know, we are committed to equipping students with the knowledge, skills, creativity and confidence to lead successful lives; children deserve to be happy in school; and feel supported in all that they do. We will be focusing on continuing to build upon this glowing report to ensure we offer your children the best possible education.

If you have any questions about the report, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you, as always for your ongoing support and cooperation – it is always very much appreciated.



Naomi Palmer,
Principal
Ormiston Victory Academy