



'We commit ourselves to love, respect and serve one another as disciples of Jesus Christ'

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

OFSTED INSPECTION OUTCOMES

We are thrilled to share some exciting news with you regarding St Bede's Catholic Academy. We have recently undergone an inspection by Ofsted, the Office for Standards in Education, and we are proud to announce that our school has been graded as "Good." This achievement is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and collaborative efforts of our entire school community.

The Ofsted inspection is a rigorous and comprehensive evaluation of the quality of education provided by our school. It assesses various aspects, including the effectiveness of leadership and management, the quality of teaching and learning, the personal development and well-being of students, and the outcomes for learners. We are delighted that the inspectors recognised our commitment to excellence in each of these areas.

The "Good" rating acknowledges the exceptional work carried out by our talented and passionate teachers, support staff, and governors. Their dedication to providing a nurturing and inclusive learning environment has been instrumental in creating a positive educational experience for our students. We are immensely proud of our students, whose enthusiasm, engagement, and commitment to their studies were evident during the inspection.

The report highlighted several areas of strength that contribute to the overall success of our school. These include:

- The inclusive Christian ethos of the school creates a welcoming environment for pupils.
- Leaders ensure that the learning offer is broader than the expectations of the national curriculum. For example, pupils learn two languages rather than the required one.
- Teachers are knowledgeable about the subjects they teach. They introduce new knowledge so that it builds on what pupils already know. In lessons, pupils focus on their learning.
- Pupils' behaviour is of a high standard. Disruption to learning is rare.
- Leaders have an accurate understanding of the school. They act with integrity.
- Safeguarding is of high priority for adults within the school. Staff know how to report concerns about a pupil's welfare. They do this promptly.

While we are delighted with the "Good" rating, we remain committed to continual improvement. The Ofsted report also highlighted areas where we can further enhance our provision, and we are actively working on addressing these recommendations. We are confident that our ongoing dedication to providing the best possible education for your children will lead to even greater success in the future.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of you, parents and guardians, for your unwavering support and trust in our school. Your partnership and involvement play a crucial role in

creating a positive learning environment for our students. We encourage you to read the full Ofsted report, which will be available on our school website and the Ofsted website.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our incredible team of teachers and staff for their exceptional work, as well as our governors for their guidance and support. Lastly, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to our students for their dedication and enthusiasm, which continues to inspire us every day.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or would like further information. We look forward to continuing our journey together and achieving even greater success in the future.

Yours sincerely,



Mr R Hibbard

Headteacher