



# ST MARY'S RC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear parents/carers,

I am delighted to be able to share our most recent Ofsted inspection report with you, and more specifically the outcome that we have *'taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection'*, which was outstanding.

You will no doubt be aware that this was an ungraded inspection, and that Ofsted no longer give single word judgements to describe school effectiveness. As we were already 'outstanding' across all categories from our previous inspection, we have achieved the best possible outcome under the new framework, which is to maintain the highest standards that we had set for ourselves.

The report enclosed is hugely positive and complimentary about our school community, and whilst the inspectors were only with us for two days, it encapsulates much of what makes St Mary's such a special place to work and learn.

We were inspected, as you know, in the penultimate week of term before Christmas and it is therefore even more encouraging to read their comments about our pupils being *'proud of their school'* and about their *'strong behaviour'*. Of greatest importance to me is that they feel safe, and I was pleased to read that our pupils would *'recommend St Mary's to a friend'*.

Thanks again to those of you who took the time to share your views and feedback with Ofsted. This is so important to us and as I have said before, your support is not something we take for granted. The relationship we have with you, our parents and carers, is a huge strength of the school and pivotal in helping us to achieve the many positives that Ofsted have outlined.

The inspection team were effusive in their praise about how articulate, courteous and helpful our pupils were in their meetings with them, underlining what great young people and ambassadors for St Mary's they are!

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to updating you on our progress and achievements throughout the year.

Yours faithfully,

Stuart Wetson  
Headteacher



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