

WIXAMS ACADEMY COMMITTED TO PROVIDING AN ASPIRATIONAL EDUCATION FOR EVERY CHILD IN A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

++ Quality of education and Personal Development, both rated as 'Good' ++

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Ofsted has published its report following an inspection of Wixams Academy in March 2022. The report rates the 'Quality of Education' that pupils at Wixams receive as 'Good', as well as students' 'Personal Development'. Pupils 'enjoy school in a safe and supportive environment....where there is high ambition for the quality of education....and plentiful opportunities for personal development'.

There were many other positive aspects to the report with Ofsted praising 'a well-considered curriculum....effective assessment....strong support for students with Special Needs...high standards for behaviour...and a focus on the skills and abilities required for students to be successful after school'.

However, the overall conclusion that Wixams 'Requires Improvement' is disappointing for all of us, because we are absolutely dedicated to providing an excellent education and experience for every child.

Ofsted found that although all behaviour during their visit was good or better, that students and parents report, that over the last few months in particular, some low-level disruption in class and other unacceptable behaviours occur too often in the Academy. As a result, Ofsted concludes that Academy leaders and Trustees need to review the behaviour system in place, to secure consistently positive behaviour across the Academy. We accept these findings and leaders and Trustees are already working on a detailed plan of action to bring behavioural standards back up to where they should be. In addition, we will re-double our efforts to support pupils to understand how respectful relationships and equality in school translates to their day-to-day lives.

We recognise the importance of consulting with parents and carers about these improvement plans and a series of parent/carer sessions will be launched in June so that you can share your views and ideas with Academy and Trust leaders. I am confident that by working together, we will improve the Academy for all of our children.

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Spyropoulos