



Beauchamps High School

12th March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to announce that the Ofsted report following our recent inspection is now live on the Ofsted website and can be found using the link below:

[Ofsted Report](#)

The staff and I are delighted that the culture and vision of the school was well understood by the inspection team. Throughout the inspection, inspectors were incredibly positive about the strong “family” culture that runs throughout the school. Inspectors rightly noted how “inclusivity” is at the heart of everything we do, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive and enjoy being at our school.

Some of the comments noted from the inspection report include:

This is an extremely welcoming and inclusive school.

Pupils appreciate the very positive relationships they have built with staff. They are happy and enjoy coming to school.

The school has high expectations for pupils. This includes pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), who are supported exceptionally well.

Pupils behave well during lessons. Pupils build positive relationships with each other. They rightly describe the school as, ‘like a family’.

The curriculum is designed successfully to build pupils’ knowledge progressively over time.

Teachers have strong subject knowledge and present information clearly.

The school ensures staff have the expertise to support pupils with SEND well. The ‘I-matter’ provision provides exceptional support for pupils with SEND.

The school identifies pupils who find reading a challenge swiftly. Staff identify pupils’ specific needs and put in place effective, well-matched support. This helps pupils to become fluent and confident readers.

Reading and the development of vocabulary have a high profile in the school. There are numerous strategies in place to encourage and develop an enjoyment of reading.

Pastoral support for pupils is extremely strong. The ‘I-matter’ provision uses highly experienced staff to support pupils’ mental health through a broad range of therapeutic programmes.

Leaders at all levels, including governors, have a firm understanding of the strengths and priorities of the school. They have a clear strategic vision.

Inspectors also commented on how positive the student and parent/carers surveys had been. I thank those of you that took the time to complete this survey and for the hundreds of positive comments made.

In all five areas that were inspected: Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development, Leadership and Management and Sixth Form - the school were judged to be “Good”.

Some may question how this compares to our last inspection in 2014 and have standards fallen given we were rated as outstanding at that time? It should be noted that the two inspections were carried out under completely different frameworks. In September 2019, Ofsted’s new inspection framework came into effect for schools across the UK and there was a significant raising of the bar in terms of what is required to be judged as “outstanding” in each of these areas. Indeed, there are very few non-selective schools that have met this threshold since. Therefore, it is impossible to make direct comparisons with the judgements made by Ofsted in 2014 and 2025. Having been an experienced Deputy Headteacher at Beauchamps during our last inspection, I can wholeheartedly state that I believe standards in our school are now higher than they were in 2014.



Since becoming headteacher in 2017, I have attempted to lead a culture of inclusion, where every single child is our priority. Having Ofsted recognise this shift is incredibly pleasing and all the staff that have been part of this journey, are simply thrilled.

There was only one area identified for improvement, in which the inspectors and leaders in school had differing opinions, certainly in some areas I would argue the judgements were harsh but fair. However, one thing is certain, all of the inspectors were blown away by a huge amount of what they saw in our school! They clearly picked up on our ethos and vision, striving to ensure that every student is well supported to "*achieve their best and beyond*", but most importantly they are well prepared for their next steps having enjoyed school and made some wonderful memories over their time at Beauchamps.

Although we are extremely happy with the overall comments and report, rest assured we will not be resting on our laurels, my staff and I will work relentlessly hard at continuing to raise standards in our school and ensure we do our very best for the community we serve.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M Harper', written in a cursive style.

Mr M Harper
Headteacher