

Dear Parents / Carers,

It is with great pleasure that I write to share the fantastic news that our school has been rated 'Good' by Ofsted.

This fantastic news follows a two-day Ofsted inspection, which took place on the  $24^{th}$  and  $25^{th}$  of May.

I am delighted that Ofsted has recognised all the excellent work that we do at Ecclesfield School and what a special place the school truly is.

We could not have achieved this without your support and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, the fantastic students and our dedicated staff for their hard work and commitment, which has helped to make Ecclesfield School such a great place to learn, work and succeed.

The report highlights many key strengths of our school. Some areas that make us very proud include:

- The inspectors commented that "Pupils are kept safe and learn well in this friendly, welcoming school."
- Students are "keen to do well" and "they value being part of a school community"
- In relation to behaviour the inspection team recognised that "staff have high expectations of pupils' behaviour. Behaviour in lessons is calm and focussed".
- We are committed to raising standards "through planning an effective curriculum" and "providing ongoing training in important aspects of education".
- Students with "SEND are well supported".
- The school has a strong culture of safeguarding "the relationships between staff and pupils are warm and respectful. Staff act quickly to help pupils stay safe when they need it. Leaders follow up any concerns raised about pupils' safety or well-being. This work is highly effective".

A full copy of the report from Ofsted will be made available through the school website (insert)

I am extremely proud of everything that we have been able to achieve here at Ecclesfield School and, with your help, as always. I look forward to the school continuing on its upward trajectory.

We pledge to continue to help all our students realise their potential and to inspire the wider community.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Take care.

Yours sincerely

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