



The Sutton Academy  
Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, Ofsted visited the academy to conduct a Requires Improvement Section 8 Monitoring Inspection on 1 December 2021. The report can be found on the academy's website by following this [LINK](#).

The academy received the highest possible judgement of **“Leaders and those responsible for governance are taking effective action in order for the school to become a good school.”**

We had hoped for Ofsted to conduct a full Section 5 inspection, which would have enabled the academy to change the overall grading. Due to the progress the academy has made, the inspector has agreed to feed back that we would be in a good position for a Section 5 inspection as soon as possible. Due to Covid 19, there are major delays in the inspection process but, we hope to have a full Section 5 inspection sooner rather than later.

There are lines in the report such as **“The bold and decisive actions that you have taken, coupled with the speed at which you have implemented positive changes, means that you are rapidly moving towards becoming a good school.”** and **“You and your leadership team have been adept in identifying the priorities required to move the school forward and your well thought out improvement plans reflect this.”** Which gives real validation of all the hard work from staff and students.

At the academy, considerable time has been spent ensuring that the curriculum is right for our students, and this work has been praised. One of our academy improvement objectives is to align our assessments across the year to the new curriculum, and continuing this work was the only action point. Again, it is reassuring that this had already been identified and work has started on this area.

As pleasing as the report is, Ofsted is not the reason we do the work we do at the academy. We will always look to improve to ensure we offer the best possible education for your children.

Yours faithfully



Mr P Willerton  
Principal

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