



11th December 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please be informed that, following the recent two day inspection on 19th and 20th November 2019, our Ofsted Report has now been published.

We are delighted and extremely proud to announce that The Bourne Academy has retained its 'GOOD' rating. The Academy was the first secondary school in Bournemouth to be inspected under the new rigorous Ofsted framework.

Below is just some of the excellent feedback contained in the report:

- ***The Bourne Academy is a welcoming and inclusive school. Pupils and staff are proud to be members of the school community. The views of many pupils are reflected in the comment, 'The school helps me to be the best version of myself.'***
- ***The school is a calm, yet vibrant, place to learn. Pupils are respectful, friendly and polite.***
- ***Staff model respectful behaviours, and pupils respond positively.***
- ***Leaders' ambition for pupils to 'aspire' runs deeply throughout the school. It is reflected in the design of the curriculum and pupils' subject choices.***
- ***Leaders and staff have high expectations of pupils' behaviour. Pupils can therefore learn without disruption. Pupils say that staff are fair when applying the school's behaviour policy. When pupils' conduct falls below expectations, staff take effective action. Pupils behave well during social times and are considerate of each other. They respond well to staff instructions.***
- ***Sixth-form lessons have many strengths. Teachers have good subject expertise. Students are scholarly and ask and answer complex questions in class. Sixth-form leaders and staff know students well. Staff carefully track students' attendance, wellbeing and progress. The careers lead provides effective guidance for students' futures. Staff value all pathways equally and celebrate their students' successes.***

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- ***Governors are proud of the strong link with the sponsor school. The impact is evident in the ambitious pupil exchange programme.***
- ***School leaders have created a strong culture of safeguarding. The safeguarding team is well trained, skilled and organised. Staff use the school's safeguarding procedures well.***

You can gain access to the full report on our website from today. Furthermore, the report will also be published on the Ofsted website later this week.

Finally, I would like to offer my enormous congratulations to all staff, students and governors on this tremendous external validation of the inspirational work that goes on every day at The Bourne Academy.

With kind regards,

**Mr Avoth
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