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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Ofsted

I am very proud to enclose the copy of the report from the Ofsted inspection which took place on 8th and 9th January this year. I hope that you will take the time to read this document, which provides you with a clear understanding of the quality and breadth of education we provide for your sons and daughters, through the eyes of a team of five experienced Ofsted inspectors during an intensive two days.

As you will see, the overall effectiveness of the school has been graded as '**Outstanding**'.

This judgement is supported by the four main areas of the school (Leadership and management; Behaviour and safety; Quality of teaching; and the Achievement of pupils), all of which have been graded as '**Outstanding**'. The school is judged on the results that our students achieve at the end of year 11 and 13. For Key Stages 3 and 4 the inspectors judged that the progress all our students make in every year group is '**Outstanding**'.

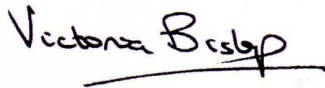
I am most proud of the opening sentence of the report which succinctly states: "The academy does a superb job". This simple statement sums up the relentless hard work and devotion that our dedicated team of teachers and support staff exhibit every day and the highly positive relationships they develop with all students.

During the two days, Inspectors took account of the views of the whole school community about every aspect of the school. In the verbal feedback I received, the inspector stated that relationships between staff and students are a strength of the academy. Comments from every sector of the school community were very positive, and are a true reflection of our successful ethos and student focused approach. Thank you to the parents who complete our questionnaires each year, and the online survey by Ofsted. As you know we value highly our relationship with you as we work together to support your sons and daughters.

Achieving outstanding status is a tremendous and a rare accolade. Not only are we Wellingborough's only outstanding secondary school, but we are also one of only six outstanding secondary schools in the whole of Northamptonshire.

As we reflect on this momentous achievement, I would like to assure you of our continued efforts at all times to deliver the best education for your sons and daughters. As an **'Outstanding'** school, we will take advantage of the many opportunities that this status brings for the benefit of our local community. Most importantly, as an outstanding school we will maintain our focus on what we do best; to educate our young people and prepare them for a successful future.

With very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

Mrs Victoria Bishop
Executive Principal

