

# King Edward VII School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## OFSTED Inspection May 2023 and the publication of the inspection report for King Edward VII School

Further to my letter to you dated the 12 June 2023, I would like to update you on the School's position regarding the OFSTED monitoring visit that took place on Tuesday 23 May 2023 and the full graded inspection that took place on Wednesday 24 May 2023.

#### **OFSTED** inspection report

I am very pleased to inform you that I have received the final inspection report for King Edward VII School and I am delighted with the outcome of the inspection process.

All the areas that were scrutinised as part of the rigorous process of gathering and triangulating evidence, in line with the OFSTED Education Inspection Framework, were judged to be good:

Overall effectiveness	Good
The quality of education	Good
Behaviour and attitudes	Good
Personal development	Good
Leadership and management	Good
Sixth form provision	Good

We are very pleased that the inspection team confirmed that, 'The arrangements for safeguarding are effective' and that 'leaders have taken robust action to address' the concerns that were raised at the last inspection.

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We are also very pleased that the inspection team praised many aspects of the School, including:

- 'Leaders have developed an ambitious curriculum, including for pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).'
- 'Pupils and students benefit from a challenging curriculum that prepares them well for their next stages of education, employment and training.'
- 'Staff have high expectations of pupils' behaviour and conduct.'
- 'Teachers have strong subject knowledge.'
- 'Pupils' attendance is high and they demonstrate positive attitudes towards their learning.'
- 'The curriculum is enriched by a wide range of additional activities, including trips and visits [and] the school continues to have a rich extra-curricular offer.'

The inspection team also identified two areas for improvement which have already been included as priorities in the School Improvement Plan 2023-2024.

You can access and read the full OFSTED report by clicking on this link:

https://www.kes.sheffield.sch.uk/s/10275702-King-Edward-VII-School-107140-Final-PDF.pdf

### **Academy Order**

In light of the fact that King Edward VII School is judged to be good, as noted above, the School is no longer eligible for intervention under sections 61 and 62 of the 2006 Education and Inspections Act and the Governing Board and I have submitted a formal letter of application to the Regional Director and The Right Honourable Gillian Keegan, Secretary of State for Education, to request that the academy order is revoked.

It is evident that the School has made rapid and sustained change in order to secure a good OFSTED judgement and has the high quality leadership capacity to continue to improve as a successful School.

I will keep you informed when we receive a response from the respective individuals.

#### Thank you

On behalf of the Governing Board and staffing body of King Edward VII School, I wish to say a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have provided immense and unwavering support for King Edward VII School since the publication of the report from the September 2022 inspection. Your strategic focus, relentless support, resilience and determination to assist the School that you know so very well are all greatly appreciated. I wish to thank you for contributing to our continued success.

Yours sincerely

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