

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be able to tell you that our OFSTED Inspection Report is now available on our school website (also attached). We are extremely pleased to be able to say that Rowley Park Academy has been judged to be a **GOOD** school; **OUTSTANDING** for Leadership and Management and **OUTSTANDING** for Early Years Foundation Provision.

Overall effectiveness **GOOD**

Leadership and Management **OUTSTANDING**

Personal development **OUTSTANDING** behaviour and well-being **GOOD**

Teaching, Learning and Assessment **GOOD**

Outcomes **GOOD**

Early Years Provision (Nursery and Reception) **OUTSTANDING**

I would like to thank the children, who OFSTED describe as being '**confident** learners'. Moreover, the report recognises that: 'pupils in all year groups demonstrate **highly positive attitudes** to learning'; 'pupils take a **pride** in their work, their school and themselves' and that 'pupils are **caring and considerate** to each other. They are respectful to adults and each other, responding quickly to teachers' requests'.

I would also like to thank the wonderful, hardworking staff of Rowley Park. Staff are proud to work at the school and have worked as a team to take the school through a period of significant change. Their commitment and dedication to the school and the harmonious relationships they have with the children and their families was highlighted as a particular strength.

Furthermore, I wish to recognise the Governing Body for their commitment. OFSTED recognised that the Governors know the school well and are rigorous in their support and challenge of the Senior Leadership.

I would personally like to acknowledge the hard work of the Deputy Head and Senior team, who have worked tirelessly to support me in achieving this excellent judgement. Their impact was noted by OFSTED as being significant, not only for the children but for staff and families as well.

Finally, I would like to thank all our parents and carers who responded to the online questionnaire so positively and to those who took the time to come to the school to give their views personally to the OFSTED team.

This is a grading that the school has never received before and this represents a significant achievement for us. Therefore it is with great pleasure that I am able to share this report with staff, children, families and friends of Rowley Park Academy School.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kate Tewley', is displayed within a light grey rectangular box.

Kate Tewley
Executive Headteacher