

Bishop Stopford's School

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Dear parents/carers,

I hope this end of term letter finds you well. I wanted to share some exciting news with you regarding Bishop Stopford's School. Following our recent Ofsted inspection in January, I am delighted to announce that our school continues to be rated as 'good'. This is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our staff, students, and the entire school community; no doubt you will have already received our press release that has been circulated publically.

The report commended our school for its high expectations, welcoming and supportive approach, and ambitious curriculum. It highlighted that Bishop Stopford's School has created a nurturing and harmonious community based on equality. We firmly believe that everyone can achieve beyond their expectations, and our moto of 'believe, strive, succeed' is at the heart of everything we do.

Inspectors noted that leaders at our school make sure that students are happy and safe, and they show determination that students can flourish. This ambition extends to students with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). The report also emphasised that our school champions diversity, with pupil and staff diversity ambassadors organising a range of events throughout the year. We are proud that our students are positive role models for younger students and provide support for their peers.

Furthermore, the report highlighted several other areas of success, including the provision of a broad and balanced curriculum, effective support for students' knowledge and skills, and the prioritisation of reading and literacy development. They noted that we ensure that our students are well-prepared for life beyond school, and provide a wide range of activities, clubs, and leadership opportunities. Opportunities for our students has been bolstered by our representation on two new charity trusts focused on providing opportunities and links to industry.

In addition to the Ofsted report, I am also pleased to share that our recent SIAMS inspection (attached to this letter, and found on the school's website) in March, 2024, has been equally positive. The report stated that:

The school's vision is absolutely central to all its work; the quality of relationships in the school is excellent. Staff and students are courteous and kind to each other and support each other with care. Students are confident and articulate. They are proud of their school and willingly accept opportunities to lead and to influence school practices.

Collective worship is carefully planned and imaginatively supports the school's vision and values. It is rightly seen as important by all members of the school community. Students and adults who wish to practice their faith are given encouragement and ample opportunities to do so. A Christian group meets weekly and a room is set aside for prayer, which is used extensively by Muslim staff and students. Once more this is testament to our harmonious community; grounded in equality for all.

Finally, I would like to refer you to the end of term newsletter that gives you more exciting information with to the exciting events undertaken this term.

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End of Term Arrangements - Thursday, 28th March, 2024

Please see below for the end of term arrangements: -

- Students will attend lessons periods 1 and 2
- Period 3 students will be in tutor groups
- Year 10 will have their assembly in the hall period 3

Students will be Staggered when departing the school:

- 12:10pm Year 11 & 7
- 12:15pm Year 8 & 10
- 12:20pm Year 9 & 6th Form

Return to school, Monday, 15th March, 2024

- Students will return to school at 9.30am
- Students will go to registration
- Students will start their lessons 9.55am.

We look forward to welcoming our students back and continuing their educational journey on Monday, 15th March, 2024.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. Together, we can ensure the success and happiness of every child at Bishop Stopford's School. Have a peaceful and restful Easter holiday

Warm regards,

Tammy Day Headteacher