



# Thornhill Academy

*Enriching Lives, Inspiring Ambitions*

Dear Parents and Carers,

You may remember that we were inspected by Ofsted at the beginning of May.

I am absolutely delighted to report back to you that the inspectors have rated Thornhill Academy as “good” in every single category. We are incredibly proud of this report.

I am sure you will agree that this is fantastic news for the school and is a credit to all the hard work of the staff and pupils here.

As you know, we have high expectations for all our pupils and are ambitious for their success, so it was very pleasing to see that the inspectors recognised this as a strength of the school.

They were also impressed by the improvements we have made to our curriculum and by the wide range of extracurricular opportunities we offer. They were pleased to see that pupils study “a wide range of subjects” and take qualifications “that allow them to progress to the next stage of their education.”

The Ofsted inspectors praised the school leaders at all levels, saying we have “a clarity of vision for the school.”

Ofsted said that Thornhill is a “warm and inclusive school,” where pupils feel safe, and which celebrates the diversity of its pupils. Our “highly supportive environment and pastoral care” allows pupils to develop and improve and their achievements are always celebrated.

I am also delighted to say that Ofsted recognised that our provision for pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities is strong, with staff receiving appropriate training to identify these pupils’ needs and the barriers they face to learning.

I am very proud of the pupils, staff and wider community, as we receive this fantastic recognition and rating from Ofsted.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our students, parents and carers, for your ongoing support for Thornhill Academy. We look forward to working with you, as we continue to thrive as a school community.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Hamilton  
Headteacher