



Maltby Lilly Hall Academy

Dear Parents/Carers

As I am sure you are aware, our Academy underwent a Section 5 Ofsted inspection earlier this term on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th September 2021. I am now able to share the report which can be found with this letter. The report will also be published on our website and on Ofsted's website within the next few days.

I am delighted to say that after being judged as 'Requires Improvement' back in February 2018, Maltby Lilly Hall Academy is now judged as **'Good'** in all areas.

This report is a fantastic recognition of the hard work and commitment of all our school community, including leaders, teachers, associate professionals, parents and of course our amazing children and young people. The first line of the report reads:

"Pupils are happy at Maltby Lilly Hall Academy. They enjoy coming to school."

This is what our Lilly Hall Family is all about. Inspectors recognised that children experience a **"calm and caring environment"**, which we feel as a school nurtures and encourages exceptional learning for all. This is also recognised in the report which states that **"pupils focus well in classrooms whilst encouraging and supporting others. This, in part, is due to the high expectations of leaders."**

We are aware of the areas we need to improve, as outlined in the report, and we are already working on the aspects of SEND and gaps in knowledge identified after the extended lockdown. These are areas we aim to rapidly improve and you will see changes in these as the year progresses.

It is particularly pleasing to note that inspectors have recognised our curriculum developments which are deemed to be **"ambitious and well-sequenced"**. As always, we will continue to develop all subjects to deliver the best learning experiences for your children and to provide them with the necessary breadth and knowledge to succeed. The word ambitious occurs often in the report, most notably where it states:

"Leaders and governors are ambitious. They work well, in partnership with Trust members of staff to provide a positive experience for all pupils."

We feel this is crucial in ensuring that your child is challenged to fulfil their potential.

Thank you to all parents and carers that took the time to complete the Parent View questionnaires and to speak to inspectors at the beginning and end of the school day. Your support for our school came across very strongly and we continue to recognise that working effectively with all parents and carers is a fundamental aspect of our work and contributes greatly to the success of our school. Your children were nothing short of phenomenal during the inspection and are a credit to you. They carried on as usual and chatted happily, enthusiastically and confidently to inspectors about a wide range of subjects.

We will build on the success of this report, addressing any areas that require further development and working in partnership with parents and carers, to ensure that Maltby Lilly Hall Academy continues to go from strength to strength and achieve the 'Outstanding' judgement that your children deserve.

Yours faithfully

Mr R Pease
Principal

