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Dear Parent/Carer

OFSTED INSPECTON (9th-10th January 2018)

We have some fantastic news! The final report from Ofsted following our inspection on 9th and 10th January 2018 is now available. A full copy of the inspection report can be found via the link on our website and this will also be published on the Ofsted website in due course.

The inspectors have now rated the overall effectiveness of Stafford Manor High School as 'Good'. This judgement has been made in respect of all aspects of the inspection framework including sixth form provision. During the inspection process, the team were very impressed by the manners displayed by our students (your children) and their willingness to share their positive experiences of the school. The students were a real credit to themselves and the school.

The inspectors acknowledged that the school performance information indicates that the current pupils are making more rapid progress than previous cohorts. They also believe that these improvements will be sustained in the future. Some of the key strengths of the school highlighted by the report include:

- The headteacher and the senior leadership team are unwavering in their ambition to raise aspirations for all pupils, regardless of their starting points. They provide strong and determined direction for staff and pupils across the school.
- The curriculum is well planned to meet pupils' needs. Leaders involve pupils in its planning to ensure that it captures their interests and prepares them well for the future.
- Progress made by disadvantaged pupils and those who have special educational needs (SEN) and/or disabilities has improved significantly over the past three years. These pupils now make stronger progress than other pupils nationally.
- Pupils behave well around the school and are well mannered and friendly. Relationships between staff and pupils are positive.
- Teaching in a wide range of subjects has improved strongly over the past three years, especially in mathematics, and progress across the school is now good.
- Governors have a clear understanding of whole-school strengths and weaknesses. They provide support and appropriate challenge to ensure the school's continued success.

I am immensely proud of the fact that the inspection team recognised the hard work that everyone at the school has made over the past few years to improve the education for the students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents and carers for your contribution and continued support.

The future for Stafford Manor High School is very exciting and I am incredibly optimistic about our ability to continue to improve provision for your child and our community. I am always appreciative of the genuine willingness of parents and careers to support the school. I now look forward to us working together to take the school to the next level and provide the very best for all students at Stafford Manor High School.

If you would like more information, a member of the Senior Leadership Team would be happy to meet with you. If you would like to meet with one of the team, please contact the main school office on the number or email below.

Yours sincerely
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