



Sandringham School

'Everybody can be Somebody'



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Dear Families,

Re: Ofsted Inspection of Sandringham School (7th - 8th February 2024)

It gives me great pleasure in sharing with you the report of our graded inspection by Ofsted that took place on 7th and 8th February 2024.

The report grades Sandringham '**Outstanding**' in every category and we are delighted the inspectors agreed with our own self-evaluation of the school.

Ofsted reports are word limited and heavily quality assured, but despite this, our report manages to convey the richness of the school and how impressed the team were with us. As you will see, the word 'exceptional' appears in the report a number of times, and this was reiterated during conversations with the team throughout the inspection. In fact, the lead inspector began his final feedback to trustees and governors by saying "This school is brilliant, and the inspectors had a wonderful time digging into excellence". He went on to say "We don't often get to see this. It was a real privilege to see this and we loved being here".

Some of the most powerful comments both in the report and mentioned to us during the inspection focus on our students. They frequently commented on how humble and curious they are, with a really strong collaborative ethos of supporting one another, and how their conduct and behaviour is exemplary. They also said the school oozes personal development and there is a great bundle of aspiration, energy and enthusiasm.

The inspectors were also hugely impressed with the quality of staff at the school, the strength of their subject knowledge and ability to facilitate learning to the highest level.

I would like to thank you all for your on-going support of the school and what we do here to provide a learning environment that is as enjoyable and powerful as it can be. Your children were outstanding ambassadors for young people throughout the inspection, as they are always, and it is a real privilege for us as staff to work with them.

One of our key phrases here is 'There are no limits', and we will use this inspection to continue developing to ensure Sandringham remains a truly great school.

I hope you enjoy reading the report and can celebrate it with those around you, and that it gives you a sense of pride in being part of the wonderful community called 'Sandringham'.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Gray
Headteacher

