

26th August 2022

Re: Ofsted 14/15 June 2022



Dear parents and carers,

I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer and that your children are looking forward to their return to school. All staff returned on Thursday for Professional Learning Days and this afternoon I finally received our Ofsted report following their inspection of our school in June. I have summarised their findings below and explained the inspection process. A copy of the full report can be found on our website.

Bosworth Academy continues to deliver an excellent quality of education following a recent Ofsted inspection where the school maintained the overall judgement of 'Outstanding'.

<https://www.bosworthacademy.org.uk/parents/ofsted-reports/>

A team of three inspectors monitored the school's performance as part of a section 8 Ofsted inspection on 14-15 June 2022. The aim of this inspection was to confirm that Bosworth Academy remains a good or outstanding school and that safeguarding is effective. The inspection team, led by an HMI, focused on the Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development, Leadership and Management and Safeguarding. Within two years the school will receive a full (section 5) inspection.

Inspectors visited nearly fifty lessons during the two days and observed students during assemblies, breaks, lunch and other times during the day. Inspectors considered the view of students, parents and staff through discussions during the inspection and the Ofsted surveys.

Though a section 8 inspection does not include judgements of each criteria in the report the Ofsted inspection team found that the school continues to be outstanding in nearly every aspect.

Under the new Ofsted framework inspectors place most emphasis on the Quality of Education criteria. This encompasses: the curriculum, quality of teaching, assessment, attainment and student readiness for the next stage of education.

Ofsted recognised the expertise of our teachers; challenging student thinking and giving students plenty of chances to practise what they have learned before. Teachers know their students well and they give precise feedback that helps them to improve their work. They welcomed the skilled planning of leaders in achieving a broad, ambitious, challenging yet inclusive curriculum.

There were many positive comments about 'what the school does well' in other criteria.

The inspection team reported that the school has high expectations of students' conduct. Bosworth staff ensure students feel safe and comfortable to be themselves, and develop into well-rounded individuals with a strong sense of community. Most pupils have positive attitudes to their learning most of the time. Like many schools Bosworth has a small minority of students who have been negatively affected by the turbulence and disruption to our lives since March 2020. We are proud that we are getting these students to attend and accept support from us. Inspectors stated that all students are effectively supported with their learning and wider development and debate the difference between right and wrong. They learn to respect and celebrate differences.

Safeguarding was found to be very effective with inspectors stating that staff know their students well and are alert to the signs that might indicate a concern about a student. Students said to inspectors that they value this, and the actions taken by staff to support them.



Both students and staff should feel proud of their achievements. We would also like to thank all of our parents and carers for their incredible support and for taking the time to share their views with Ofsted during the inspection.

The last Ofsted inspection in October 2017 saw Bosworth Academy rated 'Outstanding' and the latest inspection is a great achievement considering it was carried out under the new, more challenging framework which takes a more holistic approach in measuring the success of a school.

Quote: Simon Brown, Headteacher

"Following what has been an incredibly challenging two-and-a-half years in schools due to the pandemic I am incredibly proud of the achievements of our students and staff. Let's not forget what a tough year 2021/22 was with continued high levels of student and staff absence due to Covid illness. Yet, throughout these times, our school has maintained our inclusive culture and highly ambitious curriculum, supporting students to excel academically whilst developing great character.

The inspection team visited nearly fifty lessons across all years, observing over 1300 students. The vast majority of students met our high expectations and engaged diligently in lessons, and displayed positive attitudes towards learning. Inspectors commented on a handful of students who were seen off-task, or talking when they should have been listening. Our ongoing mission is to excel in every area and this includes ensuring every single student meets our high expectations. Re-engaging all students in learning is part of our ongoing programme of professional learning now school has returned to 'normal'. We have maintained high attendance, supporting our most vulnerable students to attend school to best support their mental health and wellbeing.

Our students deserve great credit for the positive inspection comments they have received especially following the huge disruption caused to their learning these past few years. I also pay tribute to our staff who have worked so hard, developing new great skills and professionalism to support their students through difficult circumstances."

Quote: Emma Hollis, Chair of Governors

"After a challenging couple of years the outcome of the inspection is a major achievement for the whole community. The board of governors are incredibly proud of all that Bosworth provides for the community it serves. We look forward to seeing the school continue to go from strength to strength."

Staff will continue to stretch and challenge the learning of our students who will continue to develop their agency and global competencies in Critical Thinking, Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Creativity and Communication. Bosworth Academy looks forward to welcoming Ofsted inspectors back to the Academy within two years when we will continue to demonstrate our high levels of ambition for our students and our commitment to being a truly unique and 'Outstanding' school.

Yours faithfully,



Mr Simon Brown
Headteacher