



Ark Boulton Academy

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Dear parents and carers,

As you are aware, Ark Boulton Academy had its fourth Ofsted monitoring visit before the Christmas break and this week they will publish their report.

I am very pleased to let you know that inspectors continue to be pleased with the progress that we are making and concluded that, **“Leaders and managers are taking effective action towards the removal of special measures”**, which is the best result that a school can achieve following a monitoring inspection.

The report states that leaders are continuing to move the school forward and are monitoring their areas of responsibility effectively. The quality of our teaching is continuing to improve and in some areas has been described as “inspirational and highly effective”. We want this to be the case across the school and inspectors recognised that our staff training is effectively supporting improvements in the quality of learning, teaching and assessment.

The introduction of our enhanced provision department was praised by inspectors for improving the provision for our students who have special educational needs and/or disabilities – enabling these students to make the progress expected of them.

Once again the majority of our pupils were praised by inspectors for being polite, friendly and welcoming – taking their own learning, and that of others, seriously. It is unfortunate however that inspectors did witness poor behaviour on a number of occasions – particularly from some of our Year 9 students. We want every child to succeed at Ark Boulton and I ask you again for your continued support so that all of our children reach their potential.

Our next monitoring inspection will take place before the summer holiday. In the meantime please do take time to read the full report which will be available on the Ofsted website towards the end of this week - <http://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report>

Thank you once again for the support and commitment that you give to Ark Boulton Academy.

Yours sincerely,

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