



'A place to belong'

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**OFSTED report published for The Haven Wolston - A 'Good' School.**

I am absolutely delighted to write to you following OFSTED's inspection of The Haven Wolston and to provide you with a copy of the inspection report.

The inspection took place on 7th, 8th and 9th March 2023. This is the first inspection of the school since it opened. The Haven Wolston has been judged as a **'Good'** school in all areas. The process was very detailed and rigorous, and I am very pleased that the successes of the school within a short period of time has been recognised.

The school's grading is **'Good'**, a benchmark that is high under the current Ofsted framework. We are very pleased that the hard work undertaken by all in the school community has been recognised, including the systems in place, the reflective and driven nature of staff, The School Board, the commitment of the pupils and the rate at which the school has made progress since opening.

At The Haven Wolston, we have focused on building a strong and supportive environment for pupils to grow, feel safe and progress. When reviewing student's behaviour, the inspection team commented that, "This is a small school where everything is very calm, Pupils enjoy the peace and quiet. They know that staff care for them and want them to succeed". They also added that "Pupils' behaviour does not disrupt lessons because they know what is expected of them and are well supported to meet these expectations. Bullying is extremely rare, and pupils say that staff would not tolerate it."

The school strives to remove barriers that are preventing young people from making the best of their educational experience. Ofsted observed that: "Leaders have made sure that



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learning is organised carefully in each subject” and that “Teachers have good subject knowledge and design exciting and engaging lessons.”

The Ofsted report also reflects on the opportunities which are available to our students. This includes recognition that “Pupils have an in-depth knowledge of mental health because of their enjoyable PSHE lessons. They also know about healthy eating and know about different food groups. They have good opportunities to enjoy a variety of sports and know that they need to keep physically healthy. A well-structured programme of relationships and sex education ensures that they are well prepared for adult life.” The report also states that “Pupils learn about the wide range of cultures and religions in their country. They know that all people should be treated well. Pupils have enjoyed a number of visits, for example to Stratford to learn about Shakespeare, to an art gallery and to Coombe Abbey. Pupils volunteer to raise money for charities and they have good opportunities to gain work experience. In this way, they widen their horizons and develop a better understanding of different lives. A strong programme of careers development enables them to prepare for their adult lives.”

I would like to thank all staff for their hard work and commitment and you, as parents and carers, for your ongoing support of our wonderful school. Working together helps us to make a difference for all our pupils. I am incredibly proud of our school, the staff and our amazing pupils who are doing so incredibly well.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anna Besley'.

Anna Besley  
Headteacher