

UNSWORTH ACADEMY



Friday 6th June 2025

"Eid Mubarak" to everyone in the Unsworth community who is celebrating today. Wishing you peace, joy and blessings.

Today's letter is singularly focused on Unsworth Academy's recent Ofsted inspection. As parents, you made your decision to entrust Unsworth Academy with the education of your child between one and five years ago. My team and I feel and relish the responsibility of being entrusted with such a vital task on a daily basis. When you made your decisions in Year 6 of Primary School, you visited the school, you found out about us in the community and you read information about us that is in the public domain. This most recent Ofsted report updates that public information. It is attached. As you read it, I hope that it will renew your feeling that you made the right decision in Year 6.

Our team of staff and students would like to pick out several lines from the report because, quite frankly, we are really proud of them. The Inspection Team found that, "Pupils benefit significantly from the harmonious, aspirational and high-achieving environment that exists at Unsworth Academy." There was praise for our inclusive practices as the report highlighted provision for learners with special educational needs and/or disabilities and for those who are disadvantaged. My personal highlight of the report was recognition that students "treat each other with the same warmth and kindness that they receive from staff." We relentlessly work on our values and character education, so I was delighted that this was recognised. Please read the full attached report which also positively highlights our curriculum, quality of teaching and learning, reading, student attitudes, personal development and safeguarding.

Due to the fact that our school had been judged as 'Good' in 2019, this was an ungraded inspection. There are four possible outcomes of an ungraded inspection:

Outcome 1 – work may have improved significantly across all areas.

Outcome 2 - standards have been maintained.

Outcome 3 - work may not be as strong.

Outcome 4 – the school may now be inadequate.

Outcome 1 is clearly the best outcome that the school could have achieved and, as you will see in the first paragraph of the report, it is the outcome we did achieve. We are delighted. It means that inspectors believe the school's work has improved significantly since the 2019 'Good' and that in a graded inspection all key judgements may well be 'Outstanding'. A huge well done to every one of our wonderful learners, each and every supportive family, our governance partners and to our incredible staff team. It is a real moment of celebration for our whole Unsworth community.

I don't really know what else to say! Our community get to see the report first and it will then be published on the Ofsted website early next week. Let's just feel proud, every single one of us, for all our contributions. Together, we make Unsworth Academy a very special place.

Yours faithfully, proudly and contentedly,

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