



# ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



An OAT Academy



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Dear Parents and Carers

We have just received the Ofsted report following our inspection which took place on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The full report will be published on the Ofsted and academy websites later this week, but I wanted to share the outcomes with you in advance.

It gives me enormous pleasure to tell you that Ofsted has rated Ormiston Six Villages Academy as 'Good' in all categories, as follows:

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| • Overall Effectiveness                        | <b>Good</b> |
| • Quality of teaching, learning and assessment | <b>Good</b> |
| • Personal development, behaviour and welfare  | <b>Good</b> |
| • Effectiveness of leadership and management   | <b>Good</b> |
| • Outcomes for students                        | <b>Good</b> |

As you know, Six Villages has been on a journey of improvement and it is fantastic that Ofsted has recognised the phenomenal progress that we have made and how far the academy has come since our last inspection, noting that Six Villages is "improving rapidly".

These outcomes are testament to the commitment and partnership you have given; hard work and belief of our great staff; the unfailing support from Ormiston Academies Trust (OAT); the challenge and constant encouragement of the Interim Executive Board, led by Ken Lloyd their Chair; and, most importantly, our wonderful student body who are the epitome of excellence and endeavour.

I have enormous pride in being the Principal of such a wonderful academy and it is as joy, pleasure and privilege to have helped lead the changes we have all made and that have now been recognised in such a complimentary way.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support in enabling us to drive such rapid improvement and to raise standards for all students at Six Villages. We will now look to consolidate this progress and continue to push for further sustained improvement, as we strive to become a truly outstanding academy.

The report highlights the following strengths of the academy:

- Very strong relationships between staff and pupils, based on a "mutual bedrock of respect", which is helping to drive up standards.
- Staff know their pupils well and understand their individual needs.
- Disadvantaged pupils are making better progress than in the past, with "leaders paying closer attention to their individual needs".

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- Leaders are ambitious for the school and its pupils and have created “a positive and warm environment for learning” and higher expectations have helped pupils to make faster progress.
- Pupils “wear their uniforms with pride and treat each other with respect”.
- Year 11 pupils’ GCSE outcomes have shown “solid improvement”, due to “better teaching,” and “a focus on developing pupils’ extended writing skills, which has helped them to tackle examination papers with more confidence”.
- The high-quality support provided by OAT “has been instrumental in driving forward the academy’s rapid improvement” and the “collaborative relationship” between the academy and the Trust, is “having a marked impact on raising standards”.

I will be holding a meeting for parents on Tuesday 17 October 2017 at 7pm. We will start with a Friends of Six Villages update and I will then take you through our key priorities for 2017-2018 and beyond.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'U Sharif', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Umbar Sharif**  
**Principal**