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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you had a very restful and relaxing Christmas break. I am writing to inform you that the report from our recent Ofsted inspection is now available to view. It can be found immediately on our school website as well as the main Ofsted website from Thursday 9th January.

We are proud to have been recognised as Good in all key judgements and therefore to receive an overall effectiveness judgement of Good. The new Ofsted Inspection Framework represents a considerable push to raise standards of education for all students and it is now significantly harder to achieve the Outstanding grade. We are pleased that this is the case and fully support these new higher aspirations for all schools, which we are committed to achieving. The report recognised the good quality of education we provide for our students, challenging them with our high expectations and well-planned schemes of work. We are pleased that the high aspirations and ambitions of teachers, for your children, are rightly recognised in the report. Students at Ninestiles are safe, "The pastoral care and support given to pupils is highly effective". They leave us "Well prepared for the next stage in their education," with the vast majority going into suitable education, employment or training.

During the inspection, students were a credit to themselves, the school and you as parents and carers. They spoke enthusiastically about the help they receive and how the challenging curriculum is supporting them in reaching their goals. Students demonstrated their pride in the school and the important part they play in the local community.

The report quite rightly identifies areas for improvement. We welcome this focused feedback and are fully committed to acting on these points immediately to further improve standards and ensure all of our students receive the excellent education they deserve. Ninestiles, An Academy is an important part of our local community and we are pleased that this report recognises the hard work that has been undertaken, with the support of Summit Learning Trust, to stabilise the school after a challenging period.

We are excited by the platform this report gives us to build on our successes, develop what we need to improve, and ensure Ninestiles, An Academy remains a school we are all proud to be a part of.

Yours sincerely



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