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Dear Parent/Carer

Ofsted Inspection Report

I am pleased to be able to share with you the extremely positive report we have received as a result of our recent Ofsted Inspection. The report, which will be published on the Ofsted website next week, is one of the most positive school reports written since September 2012 when a new, much more challenging inspection regime was introduced. The ability to secure such a report is a real credit to Prince Henry's staff, governors and students. In very few published reports will you be able to read comments such as:

- *'The behaviour and safety of pupils are outstanding. The attention given to promoting students' personal and spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is of a high order, which helps them develop into the impressively mature, reflective, sensitive young people that they become.'*
- *'There is a rising trend of attainment. Overall results have gone up every year for the last three years. Students make good progress and they leave Year 11 with standards that are significantly above the national average both overall and in most subjects. Their above average standards and good achievement equip them well for the next stage of their education.'*
- *'The school is exceptionally well led. Because of the outstanding leadership and management, provision and outcomes for students are outstanding in some important areas and are improving quickly in the rest.'*

As you would expect, the report also identifies areas where we can improve in order to secure outstanding provision overall. It is reassuring, however, that the inspection team agreed with our own self-evaluation judgements about the areas for further development and how we should tackle them. The inspectors were quite clear that school leaders, including the governing body, are taking the correct steps to secure continued improvement.

Finally, thank you to those parent/carers who managed to find the time, within such a short window of opportunity, to share their views through Ofsted's online Parent View survey, the results of which were almost exclusively positive. The high level of support we receive from so many of our parent/carers on a day-to-day basis is also very much appreciated. Without this we would not be able to work so effectively. I look forward to a continuation of this strong partnership so that we are able to build on our impressive achievements and secure further improvement for Prince Henry's Grammar School.

Yours faithfully

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Headteacher