



From the Headmaster
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Ellesmere

A 7-18 Co-educational School

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Dear Parent,

You may be aware that before half term the College had an inspection visit from the Independent Schools Inspectorate, which happens for all schools every six years. The team looked at all aspects of the school. I am pleased to report that we met all regulatory requirements and were found to be good in the key areas of quality of education, academic achievement and other achievements, personal development of pupils, and the provision for their welfare.

I am pleased to report that across all areas we were judged to be performing at or above the standard expected.

Academically, the report states that at GCSE and BTEC we perform above the national average and at A-Level and IB at the expected standard, with more able students achieving highly: as with everything at Ellesmere our focus is on individuals achieving to the best of their abilities rather than overall statistical measures, and I am pleased that the inspection team recognised this.

The inspection team found that the attitude of our students to learning is positive, they demonstrate good knowledge and age appropriate skills across the curriculum, and their use of information and communication technology is well developed across all ages.

Our students are judged to be confident and assured, and demonstrate strong collaborative skills, contributing strongly to others, both within and outside of the school community. They were complimented for their excellent communication skills and having a good understanding of spiritual, moral and social values which creates responsible, tolerant citizens with a belief in their own abilities. The notable success in sport and in extra-curricular activities was also singled out for particular mention, as was the student's attitude to recycling and care of the environment.

Overall, I am pleased to say that this inspection report confirmed that the quality of an Ellesmere education is matched only by the quality of your children, our students, who never fail to impress. Of course, we do not stand still at Ellesmere and are always seeking to improve what we do and innovate where we can. I am very grateful to you, as parents, for the partnership with my staff which creates the Ellesmere community.

Please follow the link to read the full report: [ISI Inspection Report 2018](#).

With all good wishes,

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