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Dear Parent/Carer

OFSTED Inspection Report

'This is a rapidly improving school'
'Pupils are proud to belong to The Hastings Academy'

I am delighted to inform you we have now received the final report from OFSTED following our inspection on 30th and 31st January 2018, a copy of which can be found on our website. The report will be published on the OFSTED website; however we are allowed to distribute this to parents and carers in advance.

I am extremely proud that we have improved our grade for overall effectiveness as **'Good'** under this new more stringent framework; three of the four areas listed above are graded as **'Good'** with leadership and management graded as **'Outstanding'**. This is the best grading of any secondary school in Hastings and one of the best in the county.

Please take time to read the report as it sets out where we currently are as an academy. It reflects and recognises the rapid progress we have made in the last year and the positive impact this has on our students.

I would like to thank everyone for their support since my appointment as Principal. The improvements that have taken place have only happened because of the full support of the parents, the support of the trust, the hard work of the students and the dedication and expertise of the staff and I am incredibly proud of the outcome of this inspection.

This is an exciting time for the academy and I look forward to continuing our success in the coming years.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SSM'.

Stuart Smith
Principal



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