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Dear Parent/Carer,

King's School Ofsted Inspection

As you know, King's received a one day, Section 8, Ofsted inspection on Wednesday 5th December 2018. Under the current Ofsted framework schools which have been judged 'Good' at a previous inspection are usually subject to a one day Section 8 inspection approximately every four years.

I am delighted to be sending you a copy of the Lead Inspector's report on the inspection which, as you can see, concludes that: safeguarding is effective; the school remains good; and that there is sufficient evidence of improved performance to suggest that the school may be judged outstanding if it were to receive a Section 5 (two day inspection) now. We are therefore anticipating a Section 5 inspection at some point within the next two years.

This excellent inspection report means that King's School continues to have the highest inspection grades of any secondary school in Brighton and Hove and demonstrates that King's is providing exactly the education and Christian ethos that the founding governors and RET envisioned when we opened the school in 2013. It is, of course, especially pleasing as we are still on our temporary site.

The report notes the excellent academic progress that students make with us **"Pupils are now making excellent progress in most areas of the curriculum. This is reflected in the very impressive outcomes achieved by the first GCSE cohort in 2018 and in the work of current pupils"** and the parity of outcomes between all groups of students, including our most able and those with special educational needs. The report points to the strong impact our ethos and values have on our community, **"A clearly understood set of values underpins the work of the school. These values provide clear direction and encourage pupils to develop positive attitudes to their learning and form strong relationships with their teachers and peers"**. It also praises the school's leadership and the excellent support we receive from the Trust, **"Leaders are dedicated, determined and ambitious. Their actions ensure a very strong sense of community, where individuals really matter"**. Our students should be exceptionally proud of themselves as the report praises their behaviour and their attitude to learning, **"The behaviour of pupils in lessons and around the school is excellent. Pupils are polite and respectful towards each other, their teachers and visitors. They are proud of their school, wear their smart uniform well and take good care of the environment"**.



The development areas in the report were those identified by the school and by our RET Advisers, and I am currently working with senior staff, governors and those advisers to ensure that every detail of our inspectors' advice is considered and acted upon in preparation for our full Section 5 inspection.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for putting your trust in King's and in RET; and sending your child to us for their secondary education. Above all, I thank you for your prayers and support for the school. I look forward to our continued partnership and wish you all a blessed 2019.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Price', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Mrs S Price
Headteacher