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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: Ormiston Ilkeston Enterprise Academy - Full Ofsted Report

I hope you are well and that your child/ren enjoyed the summer break. I am delighted to inform you that following our most recent Ofsted inspection on 25th and 26th June 2024, inspectors have confirmed that Ormiston Ilkeston Enterprise Academy is officially a Good school in all areas for the first time.

Our academy has been awarded a single-word judgement, as the inspection took place before the recently announced Ofsted changes.

We are, of course, incredibly proud to have received such a positive outcome. As you will know, our academy has been judged to require improvement for some time and it was deemed inadequate for a long time before that. However, we have been working relentlessly to make the necessary improvements and to create a thriving and ambitious learning environment for all our students. As a result of this work, Ofsted noted how the academy is now very "caring and welcoming" and has "high expectations for all its students". This report truly is a testament to the hard work and commitment of students, staff and our wider school community, in addition to our Trust Ormiston Academies Trust and governing body.

• The report is now available on the Ofsted and school website under

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I would encourage you to read it in full. We are particularly pleased Ofsted recognised the work done to improve the quality of education being delivered, with the curriculum being "ambitious and well-organised".

Most importantly, we were pleased to see inspectors confirm that our "students are very positive about the changes made". Their success and happiness are central to our mission as a school, and we are delighted that our efforts to transform their education have been recognised. The many other highlights include:

"The academy's values have made a big difference to behaviour and attitudes helping students to enjoy their lessons and do their best."

"Students are offered a wide range of experiences during their time at the academy, including learning to play an instrument, taking part in a variety of sports and running a newspaper."

"The academy has ensured that the curriculum for students with special educational needs and/or disabilities meet their needs, meaning that they are successful"

"Reading is a priority at the academy, students are well supported to gain an understanding of key vocabulary."

"The curriculum strongly supports students' personal development – students are provided with a wealth of experiences that broaden their horizons and deepen their cultural understanding."

"Students also learn about future employment and are able to take part in a wide range of visits, including to Berlin or Thailand."

"Students at the school behave well and they are supported to keep themselves psychically and mentally fit."

"The academy, the trust and governors support staff well, including those new to teaching enabling them to be successful in their roles."

Thank you very much again for your continued partnership, this achievement wouldn't have been possible without your support.

I look forward to continuing to work in collaboration with all stakeholders to ensure our academy continues to be the best we can be.

Yours faithfully,

Mr S Leach

Principal

**Ormiston Ilkeston Enterprise Academy**