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Dear Parent/Carer

## Ofsted Inspection – 18th and 19th April 2023

You are aware that Brookfield was inspected by Ofsted in April. I am very pleased to be able to share with you the final report. The report accompanies this letter and is published today for circulation to parents and staff. The report will not be published officially on the Ofsted website until 8 working dates after it is released to school.

Brookfield has been judged to be 'Good' in all inspection categories, with an Overall Effectiveness judgement of Good.

During the two-day process the team of four Inspectors visited lessons, looked at students' work and spoke to a wide range of students, teachers, leaders and governors. They also considered the views of parents from the Parent Voice survey, which many of you took the time to complete. The report highlights how many parents share the view that 'the school has improved in recent years.'

The inspection and the accompanying report tell an extremely positive story of the progress made by the school since the last inspection in 2019, where the Overall Effectiveness was judged 'Requires Improvement.' The report highlights a number of key strengths:

- Pupils enjoy attending Brookfield.
- Staff have high expectations of what pupils achieve.
- Lessons are calm and orderly. Pupils are punctual, polite and respectful towards each other and to staff.
- Pupils with SEND are well supported. Teachers get clear information on how to meet the needs of SEND pupils.
- A well-planned personal development programme is in place.
- Sixth Form students have a positive attitude towards learning. They are taught by teachers with strong subject knowledge and who set ambitious and demanding work.
- Governors provide effective support and challenge.

Brookfield is a very special school with wonderful students, supportive parents and a committed staff. This judgement by Ofsted, following our excellent GCSE and A Level results last summer, confirms the progress Brookfield is making in our journey to be a truly high-performing, outstanding Derbyshire school.

On behalf of all staff and students, can I thank you for the support you continue to provide to the school in helping to create the foundation on which successes and rich experiences can be built. It is gratifying that Ofsted have been able to clearly recognise a school that is not only good, but one determined to excel.

Yours faithfully

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