21st May 2025

Dear Parents,

Following our recent inspections in February and March, I am writing to update you on our outcome. We are currently following Ofsted's complaints procedures as we are very concerned about the accuracy of some of the evidence that inspectors gathered during the additional day of inspection. Much of this evidence is factually incorrect and was challenged during the visit. We are in dialogue with Ofsted at the highest level who assure us they are taking our concerns very seriously. We will keep you updated on this matter.

However, despite this, our report has now been published and will be available on the Ofsted reports page from Friday 23rd May. It highlights the many positive aspects of our school and the progress we have made in our continuous journey of improvement. Below is a summary of their findings and you can access the full report on the Ofsted reports page using this link: <u>Find an Ofsted inspection report</u>.

The inspectors were particularly impressed with the "family feel" of Magnus Academy, where everyone is included and supported as an individual. They noted that our pupils are polite, respectful, and well-cared for by the adults in the school. Our high expectations for behaviour have resulted in most pupils behaving well in lessons and around the school.

The report also acknowledged our strong moral purpose and inclusive ethos, which are reflected in the decisions made in the best interests of our pupils and families. Our well-designed curriculum is ambitious for all students, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), and provides a broad range of opportunities for pupils to develop their talents and interests.

We are pleased that the inspectors recognised the strength of our teaching staff, who have strong subject knowledge and use it to present information clearly. The report also highlighted the positive experiences of our sixth-form students, who benefit from small class sizes, individualised feedback, and strong support.

We welcome Ofsted's guidance on areas for further improvement such as the need for more consistent curriculum implementation and better checks of pupils' understanding. It was recognized that we are already taking action to address these areas including recent staff training, to ensure that the highquality education we provide is consistently delivered across all year groups.

We are proud of the progress we have made, and we are committed to continuing our work to ensure that all our students develop the knowledge, skills, and character to live happy, healthy, and successful lives. We are grateful for your ongoing support and partnership in this journey.









If you have any questions or would like to discuss the report further, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's teacher.

Sincerely,

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A.M. Martin (Mrs) Principal





