



Reading Girls' School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Outcome of OFSTED Inspection at Reading Girls' School

As I am sure you will recall the school was inspected on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th December 2015. I have not been able to write to you with information about this inspection until now as the final report has just been published.

Before commenting on the report itself I want to congratulate all of our students for the way in which they conducted themselves during the inspection. The inspectors reported that the students were polite, pleasant, courteous and they work well together and support each other in their learning.

All schools can make improvements, we are no exception and have always strived to do this. The outcome of this inspection is very disappointing but this will not deter us from continuing to make improvements. We have already noted the areas of improvement highlighted in the report and are taking swift and decisive action to address these. The governing body, teaching and support staff are all committed to ensuring we return to our previous "Good" grading as soon as possible.

I would like to reassure parents and carers that Ofsted noted that Reading Girls' School carries out an excellent job in caring and supporting all students. Unfortunately our administration practices fell below what was expected and I can confidently inform you that this has now been corrected and the school is fully compliant.

Reading Girls' School is above the floor targets expected at both attainment and progress but we recognise that we can improve further to ensure more girls fulfil their potential and make above expected progress. We have devised an action plan and are already working to achieve this. I am sure that you will feel as disappointed as we are at the school, but I genuinely believe that we will be able to act on all the points in the report to make Reading Girls' School a school that caters for all regardless of their starting points. The students at Reading Girls' School are fantastic and I am very proud of all of them. A copy of the Ofsted report can be viewed on the school website.

I would like to invite you to a Parent/Guardian evening on Tuesday 1st March at 6.30pm to share with you the actions we have taken since this inspection and to give parents the opportunity to discuss and ask questions.

Yours sincerely

Mrs V Angus
Headteacher

