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Dear Parents

Re: School ISI Inspection Reports

As you will be aware, four inspectors from the Independent Schools Inspectorate spent several days at Coopersale Hall at the end of last month scrutinising all aspects of the education we provide. The final reports have now been received and Miss Lovejoy and I are very pleased to be able to share them with you. You will find copies attached to this email, and they are also downloadable from our website for future reading.

This was the first of the Department for Education's new-style inspections that were introduced in September 2016 to inspect against three areas:

1. The quality of pupils' personal development
2. The quality of pupils' academic and other achievements
3. Focussed compliance

Moreover, under this new framework schools are only given 24 hours' notice of an inspection, which means that we were inspected through a snapshot of the school as it normally is by a team of independent and highly experienced professionals without the luxury of having been able to pre-prepare.

We are delighted to have received such positive reports, which contain numerous comments that support and acknowledge the many positive achievements Coopersale Hall has made in recent years as we were judged to be 'Excellent' or 'Good' in all areas. With such rigorous criteria for inspections nowadays this is a far higher standard than the national trend.

Some of the quotes that are particularly worth noting from the 'quality' inspections are as follows:

- *The quality of the pupils' personal development is excellent.*
- *Pupils leave the school as confident young people with high aspirations for their future, and they feel well prepared for the transition to their senior school.*
- *All pupils demonstrate an outstanding cultural understanding and strong respect for diversity.*
- *Supported by the school's strong sense of community, pupils have an excellent awareness of those around them.*
- *Pupils have an outstanding sense of social responsibility.*
- *Pupils' achievement in academic and other areas are good.*
- *Older pupils are consistently successful in gaining places at selective senior schools.*
- *At all ages, pupils willingly engage with their learning and display positive attitudes.*
- *Recent results are excellent, particularly the proportion of children exceeding the expected levels of development in reading and writing.*
- *The pupils demonstrate high levels of concentration and apply themselves readily to the tasks set.*
- *Excellent scientific skills were observed in the presentations provided by older pupils as part of 'science week'.*
- *Teaching assistants are used highly effectively to support individual pupils.*



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The Focussed Compliance Inspection scrutinises all aspects of the Department for Education's legal requirements, including the incredibly complex laws relating to the employment of staff, the welfare and safety of pupils and the curriculum and supporting documentation. Although it is normally difficult to tick every box in this area, I am sure you will be pleased to learn that we were fully compliant with the Education Regulations and that no further action is required.

Our thanks go in particular to the fantastic pupils and staff we are so fortunate to have at Coopersale Hall who clearly impressed these experienced inspectors, and also to our parents for their extremely positive feedback in the questionnaires.

We continue to strive for the best education possible for our pupils and we are confident that we will be able to build on this excellent report to take Coopersale Hall to an even higher phase in its continuing development.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

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