



King Edward VII School

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Dear Parent/Carer

OFSTED Inspection May 2023 and academisation

I would like to update you on the School's position regarding the OFSTED monitoring visit that took place on Tuesday 23 May 2023 and the full, graded inspection that took place on Wednesday 24 May 2023, alongside the academisation process.

OFSTED Report

I will receive the draft OFSTED inspection report within eighteen days of the inspection and I will respond to this.

The final report for King Edward VII School will be published within thirty days after the inspection. I will send you a further letter and a link to the report when it is available.

Academisation process

I attended a meeting with the Deputy Regional Director at 3.30pm on Friday 9 June 2023.

Key points from the meeting

The Deputy Regional Director:

- Explained that the decision regarding the sponsorship of King Edward VII School had been paused.
- Explained that further sponsorship activities (i.e. comparative analysis of additional multi academy trusts) had been paused.
- Noted that the Regional Director and her team will await the publication of the final report for the School, so they can understand the outcome and detail from the inspection, before considering the next steps in the process.

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- Noted that the pausing of activity 'will include not progressing the directive Academy Order issued to King Edward VII School on 12 December 2022, and therefore not taking any further decisions on potential sponsors until the publication of the official OFSTED report.'

The Regional Director and her team will continue to work closely with me, and a further conversation will take place, once the final report has been published.

I wish to thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L Gooden".

Ms L Gooden
Headteacher