

## To Parents/Carers

11th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Final Inspection Report**

Following our Ofsted inspection on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023, we are now able to share the final report. The inspectors found that Saint Cecilia's continues to be a good school and that our safeguarding is effective.

To make a judgement about our school during the two-day inspection, the inspectors observed lessons, spoke to pupils/staff/governors, and gathered the views of parents. The constraints of time meant inspectors did not have the opportunity to hear our award-winning concert band, see rehearsals for the whole school musical or visit the art exhibition. However, we are delighted that what they did see highlighted the high expectations and ambition established by leaders, the expertise of teachers and our commitment to providing an enriching curriculum in and beyond the classroom.

Inspectors recognised the role our Christian ethos plays in creating an environment that is ambitious for, and supportive of, all pupils and students.

Whilst we were confident that the school was doing well, we were thrilled that the verbal feedback to leaders, governors and members of the Local Authority and Diocese was so positive. We were particularly proud to hear how impressed inspectors were with pupils' behaviour and attitude, and the respectful way they treated each other and adults.

We are satisfied that both areas identified by the inspectors for improvement were already being addressed prior to the inspection, because leaders and governors know our school well and are constantly seeking to improve. For example, we are increasing support for weaker readers to become more confident and fluent, and undertaking regular curriculum reviews across all subject areas to ensure pupils learn and understand effectively. We are also seeking to reintroduce food lessons at KS3.

It is a source of particular pride that 91% of parents and carers told inspectors they would recommend Saint Cecilia's to another parent or carer and 92% of pupils said they felt safe and enjoyed school. I would like to thank parents, carers and pupils for the role they played in this process.

We are proud that Saint Cecilia's remains a calm, safe and caring school that values the development of all pupils academically, socially, and spiritually. However, we are not complacent, and continue to strive to glorify God through outstanding, enjoyable education.

The final report can be found <a href="here">here</a>. If you have any questions or comments, please do email us at <a href="feedback@saintcecilias.london">feedback@saintcecilias.london</a> leaving your name and details.

Yours sincerely,

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