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Vanguard Learning Trust

Dear parents/carers

Re: Ruislip High School's Ofsted section 5 inspection

We are delighted to share with our Trust schools' parents and carers Ruislip High School's published section 5 Ofsted report (click here), which is available on the school's website. The inspection was held on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December 2023 with five inspectors. Whilst oral feedback of the judgement was given at the end of the inspection, the school and Trust have not been in a position to share the designation publicly until Ofsted carried out its internal assurance process.

The inspectors' judgement is that the school is outstanding for its overall effectiveness as well for all the key judgement areas: quality of education; behaviour and attitudes; personal development; leadership and management; and sixth-form provision. This is a significant achievement for the school, in particular as the current Ofsted framework, introduced in September 2019, has led to the majority of legacy outstanding schools not retaining their designation.

The outstanding designation is aligned with leaders' evaluation of the school which had been supported by governors and trustees. The report outlines the reasons for the designation with descriptions such as: 'Behaviour at the school is impeccable' and 'Leaders have designed and implemented a rich and highly ambitious curriculum for pupils, including in the sixth form.'

We were also pleased that the Trust's work through its school improvement strategy was acknowledged, noting: 'The trust works very effectively with the school to achieve its ambition for pupils.'

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our gratitude to all members of Ruislip High School's community - staff, students, parents/carers and governors - for their unwavering commitment to the school. The focus on high standards, each and every day, allows all members of the community to feel a strong sense of belonging, to flourish and be happy and to contribute to achievements of the school through their collective endeavour.

Ruislip High School opened its doors to its first cohort of students in September 2006. We believe this outstanding designation is a fitting reflection of the school's motto 'from grass roots, reaching for the sky.' as well as the Trust's vision of outstanding, inclusive education.

Yours sincerely

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