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Headteacher: Mr D M Planter

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: SIAMS REPORT

We are writing to inform you of the outcome of our recent SIAMS Inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) which took place on 20 and 21 March 2025.

As part of the Inspection process, the Inspector met with key stakeholders, including parents/carers, students, staff, and governors; observed lessons, assemblies, and collective worship, and spent time with staff and students. The inspection covered main school as well as sixth form.

We are very pleased to provide a link to the report which was finalised last week. We are particularly pleased that the report highlights our strong and distinctively Christian vision,

"Hope is at the centre of this large, vibrant school in the heart of the city. A distinctively Christian vision, underpinned by John 10:10, enables students and adults grow as individuals. This is because leaders know the vision well and use it to make strategic decisions."

Other strengths include:

- A well planned, considered curriculum reflects the school's vision and enables students to develop an understanding of the world in which they live. This supports them in growing spiritually through reflecting on concepts bigger than themselves.
- Relationships are strong and support a sense of hope within the school. Close work
 with a variety of agencies, including local churches, further supports students and
 adults to grow and develop. This supports them in becoming the people they are
 meant to be.
- Students and adults have a good understanding of justice. They identify and challenge areas of injustice in and out of school. This in turn leads to them making a positive contribution in their school community.
- Religious education (RE) is well planned and sequenced. As a result, students gain a
 good understanding of a wide range of religious and non-religious worldviews.
- Carefully planned acts of worship, enhance students' understanding of the world around them helping them to consider aspects bigger than themselves. This in turn supports students' spiritual growth and development. The invitational nature of worship ensures that students of all faiths and none can appreciate a moment to reflect during the day.

There is always work to be done arising from any inspection and we are already reflecting on the two development points highlighted in the report relating to a daily act of worship in the sixth form and the continued development of language around spirituality that is distinct from faith.

We would like to thank all the students, staff, parents, carers and governors who met the inspector and engaged so positively. As in the recent OFSTED inspection, our students,

staff, parents, carers and governors have been great ambassadors for the school, clearly demonstrating our vision and values.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and if you have any further questions after reading the report please get in touch.

With very best wishes

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Stephen Brooke

Headteacher

Chair of Governors