November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Ofsted Inspection Report – 6 October 2026

Please find attached a copy of our Ofsted Inspection Report following the inspection carried out at Maple Haven on 6 October 2026.

This was our first inspection under Ofsted's new Education Inspection Framework and Toolkit, and we are very pleased to share the outcomes with you.

We are delighted that Maple Haven has met the expected standards in the following key areas:

- **Safeguarding** – Expected Standard Met
- **Curriculum and Teaching** – Expected Standard Met
- **Inclusion** – Expected Standard Met
- **Personal Development and Wellbeing** – Expected Standard Met

These outcomes reflect the hard work, commitment and dedication of our staff, who work tirelessly to provide a safe, nurturing and supportive learning environment in which every pupil can thrive.

Areas Identified as Needing Attention

As part of the inspection, Ofsted identified two areas requiring further attention. We would like to take this opportunity to explain these findings and, importantly, reassure you about the actions we have already taken.

Attendance and Behaviour

Attendance at Maple Haven continues to be excellent, and we are extremely proud of the commitment shown by our pupils, families and staff.

The area identified for improvement was not related to pupil attendance but concerned the need to update our existing policies and procedures surrounding

restrictive practice to fully reflect the latest Department for Education (DfE) guidance.

Although we already had procedures in place, our written policy had not been updated to incorporate the most recent guidance.

We have acted promptly to address this, and the relevant policy has now been updated. In addition, all staff will undertake further training on 11th and 13th January 2027 to ensure that everyone is fully informed of the latest requirements and continues to follow best practice.

Leadership and Governance

This finding was closely linked to the matter outlined above.

The inspectors identified that the latest statutory guidance had not been fully reflected within our written Behaviour Policy.

We would like to reassure parents and carers that this has now been rectified. Our policies have been reviewed and updated, and the additional staff training will further strengthen our existing practices.

We take our responsibilities extremely seriously and remain committed to ensuring that all policies, procedures and practices meet current statutory requirements.

Independent School Standards – Quality of Education (Secondary Education)

We would also like to provide some clarification regarding the outcome recorded as **"Insufficient Evidence"** in relation to the secondary education element of the Independent School Standards.

Maple Haven has a fully written and published secondary education curriculum in place. However, at the time of the inspection, our pupils were not accessing the secondary curriculum.

As a result, the inspectors did not undertake an evaluation of this provision. Under the inspection framework, inspectors are required to record one of three outcomes: "Met", "Not Met" or "Insufficient Evidence".

We queried this outcome, as we felt it was important to distinguish between a curriculum that is not in place and one that exists but is not currently being delivered to pupils.

The judgement of "Insufficient Evidence" should therefore not be interpreted as a finding that our secondary curriculum is inadequate or that the required standard has not been met. Rather, it reflects the fact that inspectors did not have sufficient evidence to make an assessment of this particular provision at the time of inspection.

Moving Forward

We are extremely proud of the positive findings within our Ofsted report, particularly the recognition of our safeguarding arrangements, curriculum and teaching, inclusion, and the personal development and wellbeing of our pupils.

We also recognise the importance of continually reviewing and improving our provision. Where areas for development have been identified, we have responded promptly and positively.

Our priority has always been, and will continue to be, the safety, happiness, wellbeing and educational progress of every child entrusted to our care.

Finally, we would like to thank our dedicated staff team for their continued hard work and commitment, and our parents and carers for their ongoing support and trust in Maple Haven.

We look forward to continuing to build on our successes and providing the very best possible education and care for all our pupils.

Kind regards,

The Senior Management Team
Maple Haven