

10 July 2017

Dear Parents

As you are aware, Skegness Academy underwent a Section 5 inspection by Ofsted on 24 and 25 May 2017.

Following the inspection, Ofsted has judged the overall effectiveness of the Skegness Academy, sponsored by the Greenwood Academies Trust (GAT), to be inadequate.

The leadership team at the academy and the Trust accept this as a fair and accurate judgement. The academy's own self-evaluation had already accurately identified many shortcomings which have been identified in the report and so the judgement was not unexpected.

The last few months in particular have been extremely turbulent following the Department for Education's announcement that they intended to transfer the academy to another sponsor organisation. Whilst it has since been agreed that academy will stay within the Greenwood Academies Trust from September 2017, it is unsurprising that this period of uncertainty has had a significant impact on the academy.

New leaders have carried out a thorough review of the academy, produced an ambitious action plan and are working closely with the Trust to ensure there is the necessary support in place to ensure progress.

It is important to stress that the report is not a reflection on students and the inspectors highlighted that "many pupils are polite, respectful, and keen to learn".

Staff at the academy, and within the Trust, are determined to continue to work extremely hard to make the Skegness Academy the good school that children deserve.

I appreciate that you may have some queries so I would like to invite you to a Parents' Meeting on Wednesday 12th July at 6.30pm – 7.15pm where I, plus colleagues from the Trust and the Academy leadership team, will be available to take any questions.

I would be grateful if you would complete the reply slip below and return it to Main Reception by 9.00 am on Wednesday morning.

The full Ofsted report is now published on our website www.skegnessacademy.org for you to read or you can collect a paper copy from Main Reception.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Edwards
Lead Principal



**Meeting with Trust Representatives and the Leadership Team
Wednesday 12 July 2017 6.30 pm – 7.15 pm**

I/We will be attending the meeting with Trust representatives and the Leadership team of the Skegness Academy.

Signed: (Parent) Date:

Child's Name: Tutor Group: