

STRATTON UPPER SCHOOL

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MR/KW

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Dear Parent/Carer

OFSTED REPORT

We are disappointed to inform you that the recent Ofsted Inspection has found the school overall as 'Requires Improvement' with the Sixth Form being 'Good'. While this is not the outcome we would have wished for we do acknowledge the 'Requires Improvement' highlighted by the inspection with their endorsement that we are focused on the right priorities. Ofsted defines 'Requires Improvement' as "a school that is not 'good' but overall provides an acceptable standard of education" and we would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that we are working hard to ensure Stratton returns to a 'Good' rating again in the near future.

As the report acknowledges we are already on the road to improvement. Last summer's results made us re-evaluate the school's position. As Ofsted say in their report, a copy of which is on our website, we do understand where the school is and what needs to be done to get us back to 'Good'. We are pleased that the Sixth Form remains good and proud of the opportunities we offer our students for a range of career and further education pathways. As part of our improvement journey there will be further reviews of the way we work to accelerate the pace of change and address the issues in the report.

Ms Roz Hodges will continue as our Acting Headteacher for the foreseeable future and she is being supported by one of our Trustees, Richard Westergreen-Thorne who is an experienced secondary Headteacher. We are also pleased to announce that we have been joined by a part time Consultant Headteacher Stephanie Benbow to give us further support on our journey back to 'Good'. Stephanie is an experienced and currently serving Headteacher at a successful school in Hertfordshire.

We understand that you may well have questions about aspects of the report and we will be holding open meetings at the dates and times below to give an opportunity for dialogue with you.

Stratton Upper School is a 13 – 19 Academy governed by Stratton Education Trust

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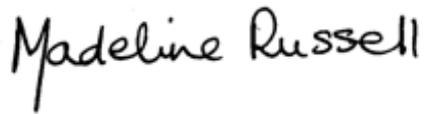
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We are committed to making the improvements that are required to ensure that we continue to develop and educate our young people ready for the modern world.

Yours faithfully



Roz Hodges
Acting Headteacher



Madeline Russell
Chairman
Stratton Education Trust

Dates

Wednesday 20 th June	7.00pm-8.00pm
Thursday 21 st June	5.00pm-6.00pm 6.30pm-7.30pm
Monday 25th June	5.00pm-6.00pm 6.30pm-7.30pm
Wednesday 27 th June	7.00pm-8.00pm

If you wish to reserve a space on any of the above meeting dates, you can do this by either emailing Office@stratton.beds.sch.uk or telephone Janet Swain on 01767 220000 #202.