



Ark Little Ridge Primary Academy



16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to inform you that the final Ofsted inspection report from our two-day section 8 inspection on 12th and 13th of July accompanies this covering letter. The report will also be accessible via the school website from Tuesday 20th September and published on the official Ofsted report website.

The purpose of a section 8 inspection is to gauge whether a school continues to be 'good' as indicated in our previous report in May 2017, or to ascertain whether there is evidence to suggest a school is above or below its original grading.

It gives me great pleasure to share that Her Majesty's Inspector and team believed there is enough evidence of improved performance to suggest that the school could be judged outstanding if a section 5 inspection were to be conducted. Therefore, ARK Little Ridge will receive a section 5 inspection; usually this is within one to two years of the date of the section 8 inspection.

'Everyone strives for the best at ARK Little Ridge'

I am so delighted that the hard work undertaken by the ARK Little Ridge staff and ARK Trust has been recognised, including the comments regarding our expectations for all pupil behaviour and learning, the effective systems in place to support pupil's wellbeing and safety, the reflective and driven nature of leaders/governors, commitment of the pupils and the impact of the quality of education driven by an ambitious curriculum.

The report acknowledges how reading is firmly at the centre of the curriculum and how pupils are passionate and confident readers. This is something that ARK Little Ridge is truly proud of.

Please take the time to read the inspection report in full as it evidences an academy that is not only good, but one that continuously strives to improve and excel.

I am immensely pleased that Ofsted recognised the journey of improvements made at ARK Little Ridge over the past five years and I would like to thank the parents/carers who have supported the academy during this time. Once again, may I thank all those involved in the inspection itself, especially the staff whose commitment to the pupils is second to none, ARK Multi Academy Trust, governors and the pupils who shone brightly during the inspection process and continue to make such a positive contribution to academy life.

Kindest of regards

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