



Gosford Hill School



Special Ofsted Edition Newsletter

'Good' in every category



Headteacher Steve Bizley celebrates the school's newly published Ofsted report with students

Gosford Hill is celebrating its best ever Ofsted judgement. In 2012, a full inspection took place at Gosford Hill, led by HMI inspector John Daniell.

Headteacher Steve Bizley said 'Achieving good in every category is the best acknowledgement our school could have.' He added, 'Our whole school community should be very proud.'

What Ofsted said...

Overall effectiveness – Good



- ✓ Gosford Hill is a good school.
- ✓ Students' rate of progress is rapidly improving.
- ✓ The picture in the Sixth Form is an increasingly positive one.
- ✓ The majority of teaching is good and better.
- ✓ Good behaviour in lessons and around school is a strong feature of the school.

Achievement of pupils – Good



- ✓ Students' progress in lessons is at least good and this is contributing to the accelerated improvement in achievement.
- ✓ Students of varying abilities make good progress.
- ✓ The curriculum has led to significant improvement.



Quality of teaching – Good



- ✓ No inadequate teaching.
- ✓ A shared commitment to learning.
- ✓ Teachers' planning over time is a strength.
- ✓ Students demonstrate good behaviour built on positive relationships.



Behaviour and safety of pupils – Good



- ✓ Good behaviour means teachers can focus on teaching and learning which secures clear gains in achievement.
- ✓ Parents and carers reported that they were confident that the school's systems for keeping pupils safe were robust.
- ✓ Attendance is taken seriously by all.

Leadership and management – Good

- ✓ Leaders and managers have embedded systems which secure school improvement.
- ✓ Systems for monitoring students' academic progress are well established.
- ✓ Leadership in the sixth form is improving outcomes.
- ✓ The curriculum is effective in meeting the needs of all students.



To improve further, Ofsted have asked us to secure outstanding achievement. Our aim is to rise to that challenge.