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Dear Parent/Carer

Principal: Mrs Samantha Broome

IQM Parental Communication

I write to you following the fantastic news that Ossett Academy has received IQM's Inclusive School Award with Centre of Excellence status.

The Inclusion Quality Mark Award provides UK schools with a nationally recognised validation of their inclusive practice and ongoing commitment to developing educational inclusion.

For accreditation purposes, we were subject to a thorough, two-day visit from an IQM Assessor, who spent time speaking to pupils, parents and staff members about the academy. Alongside these meetings, the IQM Assessor visited lessons and spent time in and around academy site observing its day-to-day activities.

Our pupils spoke of a culture which allows them to flourish, as well as displaying a mutual respect for each other which created a calm, purposeful and inclusive feel within the academy.

In addition to the above, the report references our culture of positive recognition that is ever-present, with a special mention of the 15,000 'above and beyond' messages which were sent during the half term in which the visit was conducted.

I am delighted that the support we provide for pupils was captured in a comprehensive fashion too, whether this be in reference to mindfulness activities, our alternative provision at California Drive and much, much more.

In addition to securing the IQM Centre of Excellence status, Ossett Academy have also gained the Wakefield Health & Wellbeing Charter Mark and The Safeguarding Alliance Safeguarding Leadership Awards, which reflect our commitment to the safeguarding, health and wellbeing of pupils and staff.

All of the above is a snapshot of the in-depth account which IQM have provided and, I would strongly encourage you to read this in its entirety, which you can do so here: <https://iqmaward.com/news/ossett-academy-achieves-centre-of-excellence-status/>

This is another fantastic forward step which we have taken as an academy, and I am sure you will join me in celebrating this too.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Samantha Broome
Principal