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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Ofsted Inspection Outcome**

You will know the Academy was recently inspected by Ofsted following it being placed in Special Measures in December 2022.

I therefore write to inform you of the outcome and attach a full copy of the report, which will now be available on the Ofsted website and the Bulwell Academy's website.

**I am pleased to inform you that the school is no longer in Special Measures and is now Requires Improvement.** This decision reflects the hard work and determination of staff in the Academy to improve the key areas we have been working on.

This is an important landmark for the school as we focus on a '*new era of education*' at the Academy. Safeguarding is strong and effective, our teachers are helping SEND children in the classroom to make progress, attendance continues to improve, more pupils than ever are attending extracurricular activities and we have a full range of reading programmes to help children improve their literacy.

Furthermore, we are opening our doors to parents in a way we have not done so before and feedback from parents touring the Academy and meeting staff has been positive.

Of course, there were areas that we know need to improve. These include continuing to reduce absence rates of pupils so that they do not miss lessons, completely removing any low-level disruption, reviewing our curriculum, and providing even more opportunities for pupils, especially the development of pupil leadership.

You can view the report here:

<https://www.bulwellacademy.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/10302548-The-Bulwell-Academy-145952-final-pdf.pdf>

We have already started to make the improvements we need to as we enter a new phase in Bulwell Academy's journey.

Having now demonstrated rapid improvements and being removed from Special Measures, the school will do everything to secure a 'Good' judgement at its next Ofsted.

More importantly, we will work with pupils, parents, and partners so that the Academy is well and truly at the heart of our community.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Keen'.

**Chris Keen**  
**Executive Principal**