

Netherhall School

An Ambitious, Caring Community



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This is a school that fervently believes in the abilities of all our students, staff, parents / carers and community. A school that is governed by values and one that works to the highest ideals. Our values are faithfully applied to the facts before us: all young people want to succeed, feel confident, capable, in control, proud of their achievements and well prepared for their challenges. All teachers want to make a difference, be respected by their students and colleagues, want their students to attain the best results, progress in their career and achieve professional fulfilment. Every parent and carer would like their child to be happy, fulfilled, well-educated and successful at school. Each and every school governor is committed to supporting the school in its aspiration to become outstanding. Our community fully understands and appreciates the benefits for everyone of having a superb school, that actively engages with other community groups, plays its part, makes a full contribution and helps to build a cohesive, friendly, caring and supportive community. This is a relationship based on mutual respect, in which everyone benefits, built on an understanding that we rise and fall together.

When Netherhall School received its momentous Ofsted judgement of 'Good' in 2018 – the first time in the school's history that it had ever attained an overall rating of 'Good', because of the significance of the judgement (the only primary or secondary school in the entire northern region to have its directive academy order revoked, earning special commendation from the regional schools' commissioner) the HMI - Mr Neil McKenzie, asked me, the chair of governors and governing body, the deputy headteacher, the senior management team, all teaching colleagues and all of the school staff to give an assurance that we 'would not take our foot off the gas'. As you all know, we absolutely look forward to every day at school, we have honoured our commitment and none of us, for one moment 'have taken our foot off the gas'; despite the challenges of Covid-19, we have continued to drive the school forward, improve and to make exceptional progress. This is clearly known and understood by the community we serve, as more and more students, parents and carers place their trust in us, which is demonstrated in the record numbers joining the school in successive years, both in year 7, to our superb sixth form and