

26th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Friday 21st November, our school held a whole-staff training day. As part of this, both teaching and support teams had the opportunity to visit other school settings to observe best practice and learn from a range of approaches across different faculties and areas.

Our school is improving at breakneck speed, and I am absolutely determined that this is only the beginning. I believe in the old adage: *"If you're not moving forwards, you're going backwards."*

As a result, staff visited schools in London, Bradford, Grimsby, Cambridge, Suffolk and much closer to home. The objective was simple, to find more school improvement ideas, broaden perspectives, and bring back examples that can enhance our classrooms and student support areas.

Feedback from the day clearly shows that we are heading in the right direction! We observed a vast array of incredible ideas, from Post-16 to Year 7; from a laser focus on attendance to the importance of wellbeing and support.

We chose many of the most successful Trusts and schools we could find. The common thread throughout each visit was extremely high expectations of behaviour and a relentless drive for learning success.

We were also extremely proud to see that much of the work we already do is being replicated across the country.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us provide the highest quality education for your children.

Kind regards,



Mr D Whales
Headteacher