

Media Release

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Le Murier School achieves Excellent and Good across Ofsted Report

Le Murier School has received Excellent for its 'Personal development and welfare' and 'Sixth-Form provision' and has been rated Good in all other categories in its Ofsted Report.

The report, published today, found that:

- Le Murier places pupils at the centre of every decision, with pupils' additional learning needs (ALN) well met.
- Staff offer highly targeted and expert personal development, creating a welcoming and friendly atmosphere where pupils are safe, happy and excited to attend.
- Careers and outdoor education are carefully crafted to build confidence, independence and teamwork.
- Staff use positive reinforcement and praise to support pupils' physical and mental health. Pupils are polite and respectful, learning how to manage feelings and interact appropriately.
- The strong relationships allow pupils to take risks in learning and achieve well, including representing the school in competitions.
- Year 11 and Sixth Form students express enthusiasm for the future
- The Sixth Form provision is highly specialised and personalised, preparing students for appropriate post-16 destinations with exceptional support.

The inspection found that an ambitious curriculum has raised staff expectations and contributed to increased academic success, with most pupils achieving recognised qualifications in 2024.

Alongside that, the PSHE programme is cohesive and comprehensive, designed to prepare pupils for life beyond school. It includes a robust focus on personal development, equipping pupils with essential life skills and emotional resilience. Additionally, pupils are taught how to stay safe online, ensuring they are well-informed and capable of navigating the digital

world responsibly. This holistic approach fosters not only academic success but also personal growth.

Leaders were praised for understanding the school's strengths and weaknesses and regularly reviewing progress. The Ofsted inspectors also commented that attendance is improving, with exceptional support in place via bespoke timetables for the pupils that are reintegrating, enabling their successful return to full-time education.

Looking forward, the school is encouraged to support staff to develop subject expertise in areas where subject leadership is currently under development, so that the curriculum content can be taught across the different pathways effectively.

Lee Collier, Headteacher at Le Murier, said:

"We are delighted with the outcome of this Ofsted inspection. To be recognised as Excellent in both our personal development and Sixth Form provision is a testament to the dedication of our staff, the incredible efforts of our students and the investment of our parents and carers. This report reflects our school community where we work together to help every child become the very best they can be and to prepare them for their next steps in life."

Nick Hynes, Director of Education, said:

"This is a fantastic achievement for Lee, her staff and the Le Murier community, and a clear endorsement of the school's vision and values in action. The inspection highlights the positive, inclusive and ambitious environment the staff have created. We're proud of the school's ongoing commitment to excellence and continuous improvement."

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