

Press Release

CALUDON CASTLE SCHOOL HAILED A JEWEL IN THE COMMUNITY CROWN FOLLOWING OFSTED INSPECTION

Staff and students at Caludon Castle are celebrating after the school was hailed as 'outstanding' in a report by Ofsted inspectors.

Caludon Castle Business, Enterprise and Leadership Specialist School, in Axholme Road, Wyken, is the only secondary school in the city to receive outstanding status in two consecutive inspections. It follows on from Ofsted inspectors' last visit in 2008.

During their two-day visit, on November 14 and 15, all aspects of life at the school came under scrutiny, from its overall performance and the achievement of the students to parents' involvement in school life.

The school was rated 'outstanding' in every category of the report. This is a rare occurrence within Ofsted reports. Of more than 1,500 secondary schools across the UK deemed outstanding in the past couple of years, only six including Caludon have been highlighted as 'outstanding' across the board.

Among the areas highlighted by inspectors were:

- The outstanding behaviour of the students around the school and in lessons and their outstanding personal skills
- The school's exceptional support for students
- Its excellent links with other schools and colleges
- Exceptional extra-curricular provision which has a high take-up among students
- Excellent academic guidance
- Outstanding progress by all students
- The school's outstanding approach to community cohesion
- Governors play an active role in the school and its local community and their systems of accountability are outstanding

Michele Marr, Head Teacher, said she and her colleagues and students were delighted with the contents of the report and hailed the school 'a jewel in the crown of the Coventry community'.

She said: "We are delighted with the contents of the report following the most recent Ofsted inspection.

"The report is a huge testimony to the commitment, dedication and energy of our teachers, support and admin staff, governors, students and parents who contribute to - and value - the caring, learning culture of the school."