



Dear Parent,

### **OFSTED Monitoring Visit October 2017**

I have just been notified that OFSTED will be conducting a monitoring visit this Thursday and Friday 19th and 20th October 2017. The purpose of the visit is to evaluate our progress since their inspection in February 2017.

My team and I have exerted our best efforts to address the issues that were identified in the judgement and we are now welcoming the opportunity to demonstrate our progress and achievements since February. I believe that we have a lot to be proud of. The students achieved positive results in the external examinations for both GCSE and A2, a high proportion of students secured quality university places, there was an increase of STEM interactions, and there were positive visits from various quality assurance teams.

As parents of our students you are stakeholders in the UTC and so it is vital that we have a measure of what you think. This is recorded in 'Parentview', which you can access via:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-results/survey/result/132001/7> (or alternatively through our website under the 'Parent' tab).

At all of our parental engagement sessions we have asked you to complete similar forms for our own records and have been pleased with the positive feedback received. This is the kind of evidence the inspector will assess in order to deliver a fair judgement.

After the inspection it will take a number of weeks for the report to be written and I will share it with you as soon as I am allowed to.

Like myself, I am sure that you will welcome this visit as an opportunity to evidence the school's improvements, success and potential. Together we can achieve a positive OFSTED report and it is formally recognised that we are not in the same position as when the previous report was published.

I believe that the following quote exemplifies UTC Bolton's attitude to learning, development and improvement. I have shared it at all parental engagement sessions and with the students in any assembly that I conduct; and I believe it is especially pertinent this week:

"Be the change you want to see in the world." **Ghandi**

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Liam McDaid

**Principal**