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Report Title: OFSTED Ratings for Torbay Schools

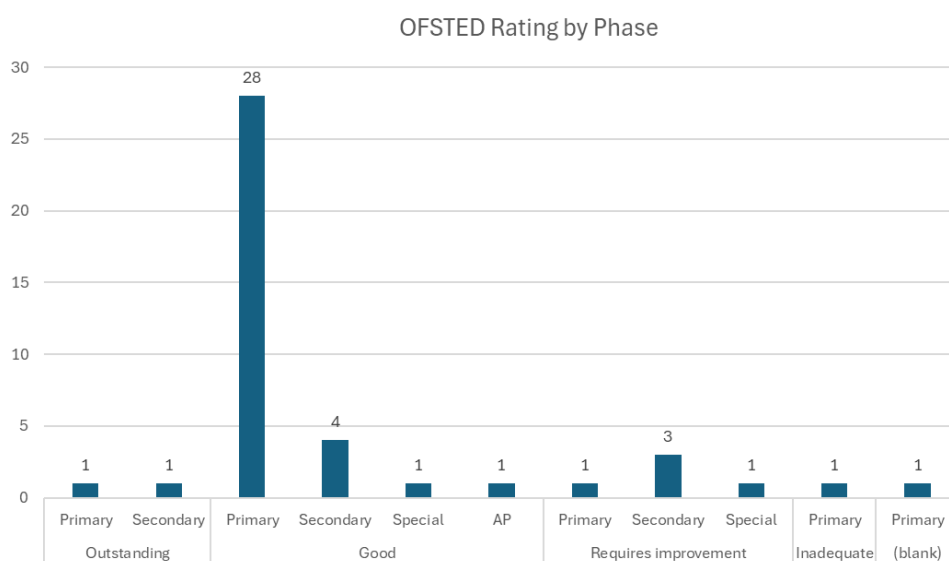
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To illustrate the current position in Torbay.

2. OFSTED Ratings



- 2.1 The local picture continues to be very good at Primary phase with inspections in the year to date all rating the schools as ‘Good’ One primary school remains as ‘Inadequate’ and one ‘Requires Improvement’. Neither of these schools has been inspected since their judgements.
- 2.2 At secondary phase, the selective schools continue to be at least ‘Good’ with the latest inspection of Torquay Girls Grammar School finding them to be ‘Outstanding’.
- 2.3 Two non-selective secondary schools are rated as ‘Good’ but three are rated ‘Requires Improvement’.
- 2.4 Torbay’s special schools are all ‘Good’ except for one that ‘Requires Improvement’.

- 2.5 The secondary Alternative Provision Academy is rated as 'Good' after a period of 'Requiring Improvement'.

3. Secondary Age Children

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Rating	All Children	Torbay Children
Outstanding	9.74%	5.95%
Good	48.02%	47.40%
Requires improvement	42.25%	46.66%

- 3.2 When the large proportion of children in selective settings who are not Torbay resident are removed from the data; nearly 47% attend schools with RI judgements.

4. Support

- 3.1 The local authority is working with Education South West to support the maintained secondary school with an RI rating.
- 3.2 The primary school academy with an Inadequate rating has moved into a different trust and is well supported by that Trust.
- 3.3 Similarly, the RI special school has been taken into another Trust and is being supported by regular meetings of all partners.

4. Observations

- 4.1 As 60% of Torbay's non selective secondary schools are not Good or Outstanding, Virtual School compliance with expectations for cared for children is challenging.
- 4.2 Both 'Good' non selective secondaries are in Torquay, creating an imbalance between the towns.