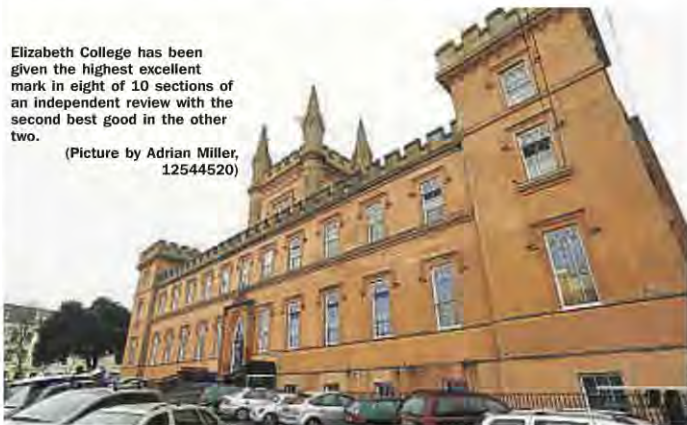


# College marked 'excellent' in most areas

Elizabeth College has been given the highest excellent mark in eight of 10 sections of an independent review with the second best good in the other two.

(Picture by Adrian Miller, 12544520)



ELIZABETH COLLEGE has received the highest rating in almost all elements of school life in its recent inspection.

The Independent Schools Inspectorate gave the school the highest rating of excellent in eight aspects and the second highest rating of good in the other two, when assessing the quality of the college's educational provision.

The inspection covered the whole of the college, from the pre-school at Acorn House to the Sixth Form, and was undertaken by a team of eight inspectors at the end of October.

ISI inspections allow the college to be compared to the best independent schools in the UK.

Inspection reports include judgements on pupils' achievements, the curricu-

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lum, extra-curricular provision, teaching, pupils' personal development, pastoral care, welfare, health and safety, governance, leadership and management and links with parents.

Aspects are rated as one of four grades – excellent, good, sound or unsatisfactory.

With the overriding objective of helping schools to build on their strengths and identify areas for further improvement, the report includes recommendations to ensure that all teaching across the school provides appropriate challenge and focus and to ensure that teaching is consistently monitored and supported.

Elizabeth College princi-

pal George Hartley was delighted with the outcome of the inspection.

'This comprehensive and external review puts us on a par with the best schools in the UK and fully endorses the many improvements we have made over recent years as well as the excellent, all-round and value-added education we provide for our pupils, from Acorn House right up the Sixth Form.

'It also provides a thoroughly well-deserved pat on the back for our exceptionally committed and talented staff.

'It is extremely pleasing to receive such a strong vote of approval during the review of secondary education on the island. It is also really helpful to be guided in what we can do to improve still further, something we have already made a start on.'