

## OFSTED REPORT

SR Education were awarded 'Grade 2' Good across all areas during an inspection by Ofsted - the official Government body for inspecting education and training organisations.

### KEY FINDINGS

- ✓ Leaders have a clear strategy for the future and plan to broaden their apprenticeship offer further to meet the changing needs of employers both locally and nationally.
- ✓ The overall achievement rate for apprentices in 2015/16 was high
- ✓ Where new apprenticeship **standards** are used, they are meeting employers' requirements very effectively.
- ✓ Managers have established very effective links with employers, who are involved constructively in decisions about the development of apprenticeship programmes.
- ✓ Apprenticeship programmes are well designed and highly flexible so that they meet closely the demands of specific employers.
- ✓ Apprentices develop good levels of professional competence, skills and confidence as a result of their apprenticeships.
- ✓ Managers and staff work hard to improve apprentices' achievement of functional skills qualifications in English and mathematics.
- ✓ Apprentices receive good information advice and guidance at the start of their programme
- ✓ Assessors use their industry expertise and knowledge well to plan very effective learning sessions. This contributes to a range of occupational skills that are highly valued by employers
- ✓ Employers are kept well informed of their employee progress

