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Hassan is being supported to fulfill his academic potential in the friendly environment of Grove Academy

Basharat lives in Slough with her sons, Umar, aged 16, and Hassan, aged 14.

Enjoying Science

Basharat is very satisfied with the high quality of education Hassan is receiving at Grove Academy. She says: "Hassan is getting on very well at school. When he comes home each day, I ask him if he has understood everything and he always says he is fine and understands everything and that he is happy at school. He likes Science and is studying Triple Science as part of his GCSEs; I am pleased that his science teachers are all very hard working and dedicated to their students."

Good grades

She says she chose Grove Academy as a secondary school for her older son, Umar, because it was near to where they lived and after doing some research, she thought it seemed a good school and that the standard of teaching would be high. "Umar always got on very well at the school. He liked Chemistry and Maths, and he always understood everything he had been taught and

he obtained good grades in his GCSEs," Basharat says.

Making friends

Hassan had been to another primary school and moved to Grove Academy to start in Year 7, Basharat says. "When he joined the school, he settled in well and he liked Grove Academy straight away. Hassan is very friendly and he quickly made some good friends at the school. He said the teachers were very kind and helpful and that he understood everything he was being taught and he has never had any issues."

All-through school

"Hassan is passionate about football and he enjoys playing the game at school with his friends. Also, both Umar and Hassan have enjoyed going on trips with the school. Although my sons didn't do their primary education at Grove Academy, I think it is great that it is an all-through school and that children can stay at the same school

all the way through their education and that they don't have to change schools to go to secondary school," Basharat says.

Working as a team

"The staff are good at working with parents to try to help the children. Hassan is, by nature, not very organised and he sometimes didn't take the right equipment with him to school. I used to have to remind him each day about taking the right things with him for each lesson, but the staff have now helped him with that. Staff communicate well with me, and we have worked together to help Hassan improve his organisational skills," Basharat says.

Helpful teachers

"Whenever I have had to contact the school about anything, I have always found the teachers to be very helpful. I have had a very good experience of the school with both of my sons and I would certainly recommend the school to other families."