

Witness Name: Rebecca Pritchard

Statement No: WITN0475001

Dated: 17 July 2026

THE NOTTINGHAM INQUIRY

FINAL WITNESS STATEMENT OF Rebecca Pritchard

I, Rebecca Pritchard, will say as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. I am a teacher (BA Hons, PGCE) at Haverfordwest High VC, formerly Sir Thomas Picton School, after two schools within the town merged to become Haverfordwest High in 2018. I have been in the profession for 32 years, teaching in the same town for almost 30 of those. From 2004 - 2013 my role was Head of Sixth Form and, as such, Valdo Calocane came under my care.

2. This witness statement is made to assist the Nottingham Inquiry (the "Inquiry") with the matters set out in the Rule 9 Request dated 3 July 2026 (the "Request").

BACKGROUND

3. I have been asked to set out what I recall of Valdo Calocane's time at Sir Thomas Picton School, where pupils were overwhelmingly white British. I do not recall any reports of Valdo being either a victim of bullying, or a perpetrator of such behaviour. I remember him as a quiet, reserved student, who suffered from anxiety when speaking to an adult he did not know, namely me. He had been assigned a Learning Support Assistant proficient in Portuguese and, after our first meeting, I asked Nigel Thomas, the Learning Support Assistant, why Valdo had perspiration all over his face, and Nigel told me it was because he was talking to someone new to him.

4. Amongst other Advanced Level subjects, Valdo studied English Literature, and I recollect reading some of his work and being extremely impressed with the quality of his writing, but I have no recollection of any other information, such as the grades at which he was working, or why he left the school, and as far as I recall I never met with Valdo's parents.

5. Below is the only written record I still have about Valdo, an extract from the Leavers' Yearbook from 2011 which contains a photograph and short description of him, written by his peers.

Valdo Calocane

He's always charming, has a good taste in films, very hardworking and friendly. Someone that will always say hello to you. A very skillful footballer, resembles Cristiano Ronaldo.

10 years time... famous Hollywood director.

Sum up in 1 word... chilled.

Remembered for... insane footballing and brilliant compositions.



Statement of Truth

I believe the content of this statement to be true. I understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief of its truth.

Signed:

GRO-B

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