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Dear Parents,

It is with great pride and immense honor that we present our recent Ofsted Inspection report. The purpose of this ungraded inspection was to see if the school has maintained the standards identified at the previous inspection. This type of inspection does not involve Ofsted giving a graded judgement and is carried out under section 8 of the Education Act 2005.

We are thrilled to state that the Inspector not only recognised the standards that have been maintained but also the many improvements we have continued to make since our last "Good" Ofsted inspection in February 2020.

Many significant strengths were identified demonstrating the strong direction of travel the school has taken in the development of our curriculum, culture and high expectations. This journey would have given us recognition of the highest order in many aspects of the school, had this been a graded inspection.

During a feedback session on 26th March, the Inspector stated: ***"the school is ambitious to meet the needs of every child in the school."***

"The pupils love the school, showing pride in the Hooks, roles and responsibilities they have across the school and the positive relationships demonstrated by pupils and adults alike." "Pupils engage well in lessons" and have ***"developed a love of reading which is a real strength."*** They commented on the amount of work the school has taken to help support pupils learning and embed curriculum knowledge as ***"significant."***

"Leaders' strong ambition and drive has impacted positively across the school," and commented on how the ***"Governors know the school well as their monitoring gives a good understanding the school."***

Our success is also reflected through only one development area being highlighted, which recommends simplifying our approach for the most complex learners. Rather than increasing the volume of support, the aim is to refine and streamline our strategies to better meet their needs in a clear and manageable way. This feedback comes alongside strong recognition of the strengths in our SEND provision, particularly in leadership and classroom delivery. We are putting arrangements in place to deliver the recommendation from Ofsted.

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Sadly, a lot of this information is not fully captured in the new style report due to word count and stylistic requirements, however, the report does capture our culture, pupils' high levels of engagement and good behaviour, the richness of our curriculum and motivation this instills in our pupils; aspects we are immensely proud of.

This positive feedback is a testament to the collective efforts of our entire school community. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to our dedicated staff, our hardworking students, and you, our supportive parents and guardians. Your partnership and commitment play a crucial role in our success.

We will continue to build on this strong foundation, striving for excellence in all areas of school life. Together, we can ensure that our children receive the best possible education and opportunities to flourish.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of Governors
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