18th April 2016

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to now be able to share with you the outcome of our recent inspection by OFSTED and feel the report is a true reflection of the hard work and commitment of our staff, pupils and governors.

There is much to be celebrated, some of which I will highlight below, but I urge you to read the full report, which is available on the school website and every child has a copy to take home tonight.

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| The inspector said ‘You have created a strong school community where Catholic values are at the heart of the ethos for all pupils. As a result, strong partnerships exist between the local community and the diocese. An exceptionally high proportion of parents would recommend the school to other parents. Staff share the view that positive and purposeful relationships exist across the school. The school’s motto, ‘When you love to learn, you learn to love’ promotes the qualities of tolerance and respect well.’ | |
| The inspector identified the strong leadership across the school and I quote was very impressed with how well we knew our school, ‘ Since becoming acting headteacher, you have wasted no time in working with your leaders to understand the performance of the school. Your evaluation of the areas of strength and those areas to improve is exceptionally accurate.’  The inspector commented on the exceptional behaviour of all of our children ‘Your school has an engaging environment with well-maintained litter-free buildings. The atmosphere around the school is very calm. Pupils are courteous and polite with high aspirations. They participate well in effective play activities and work hard to achieve their goals. Pupils’ attendance is above national expectations because they are proud of their school.’  Thankyou parents without your continued support we would be the successful school we are today. |

The governing body was commended for its role and it is reported they carry out their duties effectively ‘The governing body is fully aware of its statutory duties. Careful records are kept relating to governors’ vision, oversight of the school and safeguarding. All governors receive regular training and they are well informed about the school’s strengths. The Chair of the Governing Body is very clear that improvement is always possible. She shares a vision for the school to achieve even greater success. Governors regularly visit the school to monitor the progress of pupils and provide challenge to you and your leaders.’

With such great foundations, I know our children going forward will continue to achieve great success in their learning and personal development.

Finally, the governors would like to share their thoughts on the outcome of the inspection. “As governors we are determined to build on the many strengths the report has identified in the school. These are due to the hard work of staff and pupils with the support of their parents and carers. That support at home can really make a difference for the older children as they come to grips with improving their confidence and competence in the areas that will most help their transition to secondary school.’

Now we have independent evidence that so much of what the school does is good and in parts outstanding. Together we can complete the job.” I would echo this and ask you to keep letting us know when you think we are getting it right and if you have concerns to tell us and help us to work with you to address them.

I thank all of you who have faith and trust in us to educate your child as we continue on our journey from good to outstanding!

Kind regards

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Headteacher Chair of Governors