

The Abbey CE VA Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We are absolutely delighted to share with you the outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection, which recognises and celebrates the hard work, dedication and passion that makes Abbey School such a special place.

The report highlights: the high standards we uphold; the impressive achievements of our children; and, perhaps most importantly, the clear love our pupils have for their school. It is a true reflection of everything we strive for each day and we are incredibly proud that the inspector recognised all the strengths of our school community.

This was an ungraded inspection and, whilst no overall judgement was given, we are thrilled that the inspector's findings clearly acknowledged that we have moved on significantly from our previous 'Good' judgement. As a result, the school will now receive a graded inspection within the next I-2 years, which is a strong and positive indication of the progress we are making.

It is really pleasing that the inspector found no areas for improvement which is a fantastic endorsement of the high-quality education and care we provide. Whilst we are proud of this achievement, we remain firmly focused on continuing to build on our successes and ensuring the very best for every child.

Although the published report is limited in length due to Ofsted's word count restrictions, the final feedback meeting with the inspector lasted approximately an hour and offered far greater detail. During this meeting, the Senior Leadership Team and Governors received in-depth feedback across key areas including the Quality of Education, Early Years, Pupil Behaviour, Personal Development and Leadership and Management.

We would like to share some of this additional feedback. The inspector spoke with genuine warmth about the overwhelmingly positive response from parents - something he described as truly remarkable and a testament to the strong partnership we share with our families. Thank you for your support, your trust, and for being such an important part of our journey.

He also praised our wonderful children for their behaviour, attitudes and love of learning, and commended our fantastic staff, whose dedication and care make a difference every single day. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our staff team who work tirelessly to provide the very best for our children.

This report belongs to all of us - children, staff, parents and governors - and we hope you will read it with the same pride and joy that we feel.

With sincere thanks.

Mrs Linda O'Melia Headteacher Mr Simon Oaten Chair of Governors

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