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Dear All,

Please find below a link to the report from our recent Ofsted inspections which we are very proud of. Many thanks for your comments as parents, the inspectors have never before seen the overwhelmingly positive support for a school that we received.

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/113772>

The headline is that we remain a Good school. However, in reality the inspection team saw so many strengths that – during our 90 minute debrief – both Lisa and I were so proud of our pupils, staff and governors that we were close to tears. Whilst many of the wonderful findings were not included in the final report, here are some of the comments which were:

- Pupils feel happy and safe because everyone treats each other with compassion and respect
- Pupils grow to be articulate and confident young people who are ready for the next phase of their education
- Lessons are purposeful. Pupils listen with interest and take ownership of their learning.
- Staff place a strong focus on developing pupils' mental health, so they become more resilient and learn how to deal with setbacks.
- Pupils' behaviour and conduct, both in and outside the classroom, is exemplary.
- Older pupils are excellent role models for others.
- Staff are ambitious for what all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), can achieve.
- The range of texts develops pupils' understanding of diversity and life in modern Britain.

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- They provide timely support to help pupils catch up.
- Pupils are determined bullying does not happen here.
- Leaders' support for pupils' personal development is a strength of the school. As a result, pupils feel valued as part of the school community.
- Leaders ensure that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Staff know pupils and their families exceptionally well. They benefit from the training they receive.

As far as areas of improvement are concerned, Ofsted always give these and we have 'escaped' very lightly. However, we are always looking at ways of improving our provision:

We already knew our wider curriculum needed some focus (we told the lead inspector this) as our focus over the past 3 years have been Maths and Reading and Writing: our results are testament to the success of this. Over the past few years, we have already started our focus on the wider curriculum and the comments 'Lessons are purposeful' and that we have 'put in place a curriculum which is broad and balanced' indicate we are very nearly there.

Meanwhile, our governors are recognised as being exceptional by Dorset Council, Salisbury Diocesan and our School Improvement Partner. I made an extremely strong representation to the lead inspector about her comment which I believe is not a fair reflection. They continue to be the inspiration and drive behind our school.

Many thanks for your fantastic support of the school, it means so much to us.

Nigel