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'A unique, dynamic and diverse environment where children are encouraged to achieve their true potential'

Friday 5th April

Dear Parents,

As you are aware, on Tuesday 26th March, John Donald came to inspect our school. As part of the inspection, he talked to senior leaders, observed teaching and learning, spoke to children over lunch, listened to children read and spoke to parents and staff.

It is a very busy day for him and the team as he has to get an impression quickly about what the standard of education is like at Brimrod. Because the school was graded good in November 2014, the inspection was 1 day rather than 2. John's primary role was to check that the school remains a good school and that our safeguarding procedures ensure that they protect the children from any harm.

There were 3 outcomes John could choose from including

- Brimrod remains good and safeguarding is effective
- Brimrod may still be good, but the next inspection would test this more closely
- Brimrod may be outstanding and the next inspection would test this more closely.

I am extremely pleased to report that Brimrod remains a good school and safeguarding is effective. Although the judgement is the same as the inspection as 2014, it is much harder to achieve a good judgement in 2019 due to the inspection process becoming more rigorous and challenging – rightly so for children to continue to receive a world class education.

A copy of our inspection letter is available on our school website and it will be published on the OfSTED website next Friday. There are many lovely comments within the report, but some of John's comments include 'senior leaders and governors have brought about improvements' '...accurate and detailed self evaluation' 'Parents and carers are kept informed about the work of the school' 'bright and stimulating environment' 'Pupils are polite and well mannered; their behaviour continues to be a strength of the school.' 'Pupils..make strong progress' 'ensures the disadvantaged children and those with special educational needs make good progress.' 'Parents hold the school in high regard' '...new school library celebrates the culture of reading.' 'Pupils enjoy attending the school..they said that bullying and name-calling incidents were rare.' 'Phonics lessons are well planned and build on prior learning.'

It was particularly recognised by John that 'pupils have a good understanding of democracy and British values' and 'they have a strong understanding of what it means to British.' This is external validation that our curriculum is meeting the needs of our children to prepare them for life in modern day Britain, something which we carefully plan for and constantly review.

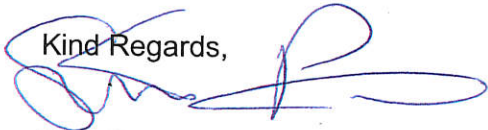
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I am sure you will share in our wonderful news! It does take a tremendous amount of hard work to achieve such a positive OfSTED report and I wish to extend my thanks to you, teachers, teaching assistants, office staff and children for working so hard to achieve what has been achieved.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and see me or any member of the senior leadership team.

Kind Regards,



Mr S Perkins
Headteacher

