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## **Dear Parents**

As you may know, the school was recently inspected by Ofsted and I am delighted to say that they have judged the school to be 'outstanding' in all categories. The new Ofsted framework, introduced at the start of 2012 raised the criteria required to achieve 'outstanding' and so to have met this new, more difficult standard is a considerable achievement.

It is well earned recognition for our extremely talented and dedicated teaching staff along with the passionate senior management team. It is also testament to the hard work of the many non-teaching and support staff who work tirelessly to support the excellent education that is being delivered every week. The inspector said that this judgement was a reflection of the strength in depth at the school. It has been achieved because excellent work is being undertaken both in and out of the classroom, at all levels and by all involved.

The ethos of the school shone through in the inspectors' feedback. They commented repeatedly on the high standard of behaviour from your children. They noted the visible love of learning, happiness to be in school and the respect shown to both the teachers and their fellow pupils. This is a great credit to all your children.

The exciting challenge for us now is to continue to pursue excellence in all areas. I can assure you there is a tangible appetite to do this within school. What has underpinned this judgement is a diverse and creative curriculum, supplemented by a host of extra-curricular activities. This allows each child, whatever their abilities, to make their mark and develop self-confidence by experiencing success. Going forward we will, as all good schools do, continue to evolve and change. However the delivery of a genuinely broad and balanced education, which caters for all our children, will always remain at the core of what we strive for

The school receives a great deal of support from parents in many different forms. Your continued help and words of encouragement really do make a huge difference and are greatly appreciated by all in school. Thank you.

Yours sincerely.

Michael Gibb Chair of Governors















