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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is with great pleasure that I attach the Ofsted Report for our school following the inspection at the end of March. Our report will be published on the Ofsted website on 8th May 2017; however we have permission to share it with you before it goes live.

Our March inspection was my 5th experience of an Ofsted inspection and it was quite an unusual experience. The inspection started on Tuesday 28th March under the new 'short inspection' arrangements with just two inspectors for one day. This then converted to a full inspection as the team did not have the time to look at all the aspects of our work in just one day as we are such a large school. Given our INSET day on Wednesday 29th March, the full inspection took place on Thursday 30th March with 8 inspectors on site from 8am to 6pm.

Following this very rigorous process, our school has been reconfirmed as a 'Good' school.

I am sure that you be pleased to read the sections of the attached report that emphasise the care that teachers show towards your children in their everyday work, such as "staff are united in their dedication to the pupils in the school" and "the school's work to promote pupils' development and welfare is outstanding. Pupils are exceptionally well cared for". The report highlights the good outcomes and strong teaching that students receive. For example "pupils achieve well across a broad range of subjects by the end of Year 11. Their rates of progress are accelerating over time" and "teachers use their strong subject knowledge effectively across a range of subjects to plan lessons that develop pupils' learning over time". The strong performance of the sixth form is reported in the 16 to 19 study programmes section. The report states that "students following academic courses make excellent progress and achieve highly across a range of subjects. A-Level results have been very strong in the past, and students currently in Yr13 are on track to achieve similarly well."

The report highlights the great many strengths of the school and confirms the areas that we are working on to make our school even better.

A large number of parents completed the 'Parent View' questionnaire over the course of the inspection. I would like to thank you very much for your support during this week particularly and for contributing to our inspection outcome.

Yours sincerely,



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Head teacher

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