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# Courtwood Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that the Ofsted inspection report from our two-day ungraded inspection on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022, has now been published, with the conclusion that our school continues to be a Good School. This reflects the hard work, high standards, and the dedication of our pupils and staff, and I am incredibly proud of both.

The purpose of an ungraded inspection is to gauge whether a school continues to be 'good' as indicated in our previous report in May 2018.

To continue to be a good school is always an achievement. To do so in the context of the last few years, with a global pandemic and all the additional pressures that schools have been under, is excellent. The report itself highlights the many elements of effective provision at Courtwood Primary School, as well as the next steps needed to take the school forward. The next steps identified were already within our school development plan prior to this inspection.

The report noted that:

- *Leaders have created a nurturing environment where pupils' welfare and safety is a priority.*
- *Pupils are happy at Courtwood Primary. They show kindness to each other and build positive friendships with their peers. They enjoy learning because teachers make lessons fun and engaging.*
- *Leaders have developed an ambitious and broad curriculum. They have considered what they want pupils to achieve in all subjects and ensure that curricular thinking is clearly sequenced.*
- *Leaders and staff have high expectations for all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).*

I am particularly pleased that Ofsted recognised the journey of improvements made at Courtwood Primary School over the past four years. In recognition of their key role in this journey, I would like to thank the parents/carers who have supported the school during this time, as well as the pupils who shone during the inspection process and continue to make a positive contribution to school life.

The Ofsted report accompanies this letter and will be accessible via the school website today. The report will also be published on the official Ofsted website in eight working days. Please take the time to read the inspection report in full as it evidences a school that is not only good, but one that continuously strives to improve and excel.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support.

Many Thanks



Mrs N Grant  
Principal