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Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Ofsted Inspection Report

As you are aware the school had a graded Ofsted Inspection last term, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024. The inspection was carried out in line with the new "Education Inspection Framework" where the overall effectiveness grade has been removed but there are still grades for the four sub-areas:

- Quality of education
- Behaviour and attitudes
- Personal development
- Leadership and management
- Early Years

A copy of the final report is attached to this letter and can also be found on our school website and the Ofsted website, and I encourage you to read it.

I would like to thank everyone involved in the inspection for their contributions, including the children who were a credit to the school in everything they did and said, parents who made their views clear through the online Parent View survey and the whole staff team for their hard work and continuing efforts. As the inspectors rightly point out, "Bassingbourn Primary School is a safe place. Pupils like school. They benefit from positive working relationships with caring and committed staff." The report rightly identifies both the strengths of the school and the areas that we need to continue to improve. Inspectors commented that, "Leaders have rapidly improved the school in the last year and that current leadership has rebuilt the school provision." It was also recognised that "Governors have been instrumental in turning the school round."

Indeed, the inspectors agreed that our self-evaluation of the school was accurate and that our school improvement plans were already focused on the recommended areas, and they are bringing about significant improvements.

The inspectors positively comment on many of the strengths of our school:

- The arrangements for safeguarding are effective
- Revised support for SEND and school ensures it identifies needs accurately through robust processes.
- In the Early Years, "there are high standards, clear routines. Adults know their children well. As a result, they get off to a flying start"
- It was recognised that the curriculum although new, is ambitious
- The school has a positive reading culture



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The inspectors recognise that a lot of processes and procedures have been put in place and that we are continuing to embed our curriculum, behaviour expectations and SEND and this takes time. Professional development continues to be planned to enhance all staff's curriculum and SEND leadership to ensure the implementation and impact for all pupils.

The staff are working closely with governors and are passionate and committed to ensure our school delivers excellent provision in all areas that our whole school community so richly deserves.

At this time, I ask for your continued support as we continue to work at a pace to bring about the necessary change and continue to build upon the improvements that have already been made. We will of course be updating you on a regular basis about what actions have been taken and our progress on our journey of getting those aspects of our school that are not yet good, to good and beyond.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, or wish to discuss any aspect of this letter or the report, please do get in touch with us.

Yours sincerely,

Ali England

Chair of Governors