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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Ofsted Inspection – February 2025

By now, you will have seen Mr Wright's letter regarding our recent Ofsted inspection, which provides some context and explanation for the report and its grades.

The two-day inspection involved observing lessons, discussing them with staff, pupils, parents, and governors, and reviewing lesson plans, pupils' books, the parents' survey, and other documentation prepared by the school. The inspector evaluated what the school was doing well and identified areas for improvement to make Whitby Heath Primary even better.

Although the governors were confident that the school, under Mr. Wright's inspiring leadership, was performing well, we were thrilled that the inspector's verbal feedback to both leaders and governors was so positive.

We were particularly proud to learn how impressed the inspector was with the children's behaviour and the respectful way they interacted with each other and the adults at the school. The inspector noted that the children are happy and feel safe. During the feedback, the inspector described the students as "very polite, articulate, and ambitious," who "behave extremely well" and "live the school's values of kindness, respect, responsibility, and honesty." It was also highlighted that "leaders provide pupils with a wide range of experiences." This reflects the Whitby Heath community that I am proud to represent as Chair of Governors.

This achievement is not only a testament to our exceptional children but also a reflection of the positive ethos and culture fostered by our leaders, teachers, and all the adults who interact with the children during their school day.

As the Governing Body, we are immensely proud of our school and its rich, well-designed curriculum, as well as the enrichment opportunities available to our children. We are grateful to our dedicated staff, our fantastic children, and their supportive parents, all of whom make up the remarkable Whitby Heath family.

An Ofsted grading should not influence anyone's perception of the school. Ofsted is just one measure of success, and our true measure lies in the achievements of our children, who reflect the values of the community.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff members for their hard work and dedication to making Whitby Heath Primary such a wonderful school.

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With kind regards,

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