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OFSTED report

Dear Parents / Carers

It is with enormous pleasure that I write to share the fantastic news that Thurgoland CE Primary has been rated 'Good' in all areas by Ofsted. This follows a two-day Ofsted inspection, which as you know took place in July.

I am delighted that Ofsted has recognised all the excellent work going on here at Thurgoland CE Primary and that *'this is a school where everyone wants to be their best self'*.

The inspectors noted how we have continued to drive improvement across the school since the pandemic and this has come from the fact that all stakeholders know the school well and *'use this information to develop clear plans which are well understood by all staff.'*

The report also recognised the school's strong roots in the community and how we work hard to make children and the wider community feel part of everything we do – *'Conversations with inspectors showed that pupils embody the school values in their local community.'*

We could not have achieved this without your support and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, your fantastic children and our dedicated staff for their hard work and commitment, which has helped to make Thurgoland CE Primary such an amazing place to learn, work and succeed.

The report highlights many key strengths of our school. Some areas that make us very proud include:

- *Staff encourage pupils to 'give it a go' and 'be resilient'.*
- *They (children) feel safe because they know their teachers care about them.*
- *Pupils are enthusiastic in lessons. They want to do well.*
- *The relationships between adults and children are incredibly respectful. As one pupil told inspectors, 'This is a kind school.' Inspectors agree.*
- *Leaders want all children, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) to aim high. Pupils strive to meet these expectations.*
- *Leaders have developed an ambitious curriculum.*
- *Pupils can recall with clarity what they have learned, for example about different faiths and religions such as Hinduism and Sikhism.*
- *The reading programme is a strength of the school.*
- *Pupils are polite and respectful.*
- *The school values are well embedded and understood by all.*
- *The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.*



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A full copy of the letter from Ofsted is attached to this email and will be made available through the school website when published by OFSTED in around 8 days.

I am extremely proud of everything that we have been able to achieve here at Thurgoland CE Primary and, with your help, I look forward to the school continuing on its strong upward trajectory as we continue to improve the provision for our children and community.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

With very best wishes,

*D.M. Jordan*

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