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Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Ofsted Inspection Report

Please find enclosed a copy of the latest Ofsted report following our monitoring inspection in February 2021.

The main purpose of this inspection, was to judge whether the school's remote education was effective. However, the inspectors also looked at the actions points identified in December 2019 and whether we have made progress in these areas, too.

I am really pleased that the report opens by stating:

Leaders and those responsible for governance are taking effective action to provide education in the current circumstances.

I am pleased that the inspectors recognised the huge efforts to ensure education continued throughout the last 12 months.

They recognise the work we have done on the curriculum, much of which continued throughout the various lockdowns and partial opening, as well as improvements made to our provision for SEND pupils.

It was a difficult time to go through an inspection, especially as we were in the middle of preparing to fully open the school again. It is testament to the dedication of the staff team and our continued drive to improve, that the findings are so positive.

I am immensely proud of our school community; including the children and parents who persevered with home learning. There are still challenges ahead and school isn't quite normal, but we are obviously on track and excited about the future at Howbridge.

Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Dale
Headteacher

