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Dear Parents and Carers

Following my visit to the school on 13 December, along with Mrs Springett, to observe the work of the school and to discuss with the school leaders how much progress has made September, I am writing to share my findings with you.

I was delighted to find many improvements including:

- The quality of the teaching and learning has improved significantly since my last visit and much of it is now good and this is helping your children to make faster progress.
- Teachers are planning learning activities that take into account what children already know and can do.
- Teaching assistants are being used much more effectively to support children's learning.
- The classroom environments have improved and there are lots of helpful things on the walls that children are using to help them to learn.
- The school leaders have a very clear view of what is going well and what needs to be done next. They have a sense of urgency about how quickly improvements need to be made but are being sensible to ensure they are manageable and changes become embedded.
- The school leaders are making regular visits into classrooms to check on the quality of teaching and learning. They are making regular checks on children's books to ensure good progress is being made.
- Everyone in the school is focussed on improving and is working very hard.

I have asked the school to concentrate on:

- Continuing to improve teaching until it is all consistently good or better.
- Ensuring that the highest ability children are being really challenged and required to think really hard.

I am very pleased with the progress the school is making and I am confident that if it were to be inspected it would no longer be judged to be inadequate and, whilst it is not there yet, is making great strides towards becoming a good school.

With my best wishes for a happy Christmas

Mrs Rachel Howie  
Chief Executive Officer