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Dear Parents, Caregivers and School Community,

Today we have received the final report from our recent school inspection by Ofsted. I am pleased to tell you that Ofsted have found the school to be "Good" in all areas and "Outstanding" in the way that the school looks after pupil personal development and promotes pupil welfare.

The full report is attached and can also be found on our school web site. It will be published on the Ofsted web site on 8th November. The report is a good reflection of our school and I invite you to read it.

The comments made in the Ofsted report recognise the journey that this school has been on over the last two years and the teamwork required from our whole community, for that journey to have made the progress, that is apparent. I would like to thank every member of the team, children, staff, parents, Governors, Executive Headteacher, Diocese of Oxford and the Local Authority for the work they have put into The Royal Schools journey over the last two years.

The two recommendations that have been set by Ofsted are:

- Ensure that the work for the most able pupils is suitably challenging in mathematics by: reviewing the curriculum and how it is taught to ensure that the most able pupils are not held back by being given work that is too easy for them.
- Improve the way that information about the progress of pupils across the school is presented to governors, so that it is easier for them to interpret.

These two areas of development had previously been recognised and were included in our school development plan for this year. We have already begun working in these areas and I look forward to updating you on our progress towards these targets later in the year.

Once again I would like to thank each member of the school community for the support they have given to the children of The Royal School and I look forward to continuing this journey with you. I am reminded of a Maori proverb "Hoeangatahitia ki ko atu" which means paddling together takes us further. We are all in The Royal School canoe and we are paddling together in the same direction. We are on an exciting journey to ensure that each child at Royal School receives an outstanding, exciting, holistic, education.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bev Coombridge'.

Bev Coombridge
Headteacher

