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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, we had our Ofsted inspection on 23rd and 24th February. The report will be live on the Ofsted website at <u>http://reports.Ofsted.gov.uk</u> on Monday 9th May. A copy of the report is attached and is also on the school website.

During the process of the inspection the inspectors made a number of observations which have reflected the judgements the school had already made as part of its own self-evaluation process. Over the last few years, the school has faced a number of different challenges and in September 2021, it had an almost complete change in staffing. With the support of the Interim Executive Board, I have taken decisive and well informed actions to set the school on a path of improvement. The impact of this can already be seen with the introduction of a new Governing Body from 4th April 2022.

The report confirms and reassures us that the school has the capacity to improve. It highlights that 'The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Safeguarding is a strength of the school'. The report also highlights that 'Staff all share leaders' clear vision to make sure the pupils succeed. They understand that further changes are needed and are positive about this. They are highly supportive of each other and work together as a cohesive team'.

All members of school staff have tried hard to provide a warm, welcoming and caring atmosphere for all of the children attending Kinderley. It was very positive to see that this was reflected within the report and that the view was also shared by you, our parents and carers; 'Pupils enjoy attending Kinderley Primary School. This is because pupils feel well cared for. Staff know the pupils well. Pupils are kind and care for each other. Their parents agree, stating that their children are happy and valued as individuals'.

From reading the report, it is also important that we acknowledge the areas that have been identified for the school to improve. These are areas that had already been identified by school leaders and are included within the School Development Plan. Steps are already being taken to develop all of these, including receiving subject leader support from the local authority, writing progression documents for all subject areas to cover all age groups and looking at developing the learning environment for all of our children.

All school staff are aware that we need to build on the work already underway to ensure every child is as successful as possible. With this in mind, support from the local authority will continue to ensure that progress is being made. It is imperative that we are able to demonstrate improvements in progress and that we are effectively implementing the recommendations that have been made.

Kinderley Community Primary School cannot succeed without the support of the parents and wider community. The education of children is a partnership between the child, their parents/carers and the school. It is really important that we work together in order to ensure that Kinderley Community Primary School continues to improve and remains the heart of our village community.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this report please call the school office to arrange an appointment with myself and a representative of the new Governing Body. The new Governing Body is looking forward to working with everyone in the school community and meeting parents, staff and learners in person.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C. Scullion

Mrs S. Rudge

Headteacher

Chair of Governors