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Catholic School Inspection Report

Dear parents and families,

As you will know we had our Catholic School Inspection recently on the 14th and 15th February. I am delighted to share the report with you and the wonderful news that in 7 out of the 9 inspected areas, that we are **outstanding**. The Catholic Life and Mission of our school was found to be outstanding and also Collective Worship is also outstanding at Holy Cross. In all 3 aspects of Leadership and management we are outstanding. We were graded as Good in RE Provision and Pupil outcomes giving us a Good grade.

The strengths of our school were noted as:

- The school mission statement is well known and lived out by the whole community
- Pupils have many opportunities to put their knowledge and understanding of Catholic social teaching to practical use
- The school gives all pupils the opportunity to contribute to the Common Good.
- The school promotes a strong prayer life which is embraced by all
- There is a strong emphasis on inclusion in all aspects of school life; no one is left out

I am incredibly proud of the outcome of this inspection and so pleased that it reflects our wonderful children and our whole school community; our Holy Cross family. The report reflects the incredible dedication and hard work of all of our teachers and staff. The support of our governors has been integral to these outcomes and I would like to sincerely thank every member of our staff and governing body, for their commitment. Thank you too to parents and families for your support and for the fantastic positive comments that you gave in the inspection questionnaire.

The outcomes of this Catholic School Inspection and our Ofsted Inspection 1 year ago, together show that we are truly living out our mission statement in the eyes of God our father. Our children are at the heart of our school and together as a family we are following in the footsteps of Jesus to be like him and to be the best people that we can be.

Sincerest thanks,

Mrs A Kerrell
Headteacher
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*'Jesus is the centre of our lives, our learning and friendships.
in a safe, happy and caring community where all are welcome.'*

