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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am pleased to be able to share with you the very positive outcome of the most recent visit to Holy Trinity CE Primary School by Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI). HMI came to the school to monitor the progress that we are making with our improvement planning.

I am pleased to advise you that Inspectors judged the school to be making good progress towards the achievement of its targets as a result of taking effective action to address areas that required improvement when they last visited.

Amongst the positive feedback that they highlighted is:

- Strong leadership from the governors and senior staff evidenced by sharper improvement planning and improved standards in pupils' work
- The implementation of a rigorous cycle of review and development and robust monitoring of pupils' achievement
- Higher expectations of children and clearer guidance being provided by teachers about how to improve their work

The inspectors were very complimentary about lesson observations and the review of workbooks that showed that teachers have higher expectations of pupils and that there are improved attitudes from pupils to their work. In most lessons, pupils are working harder and they are presenting their work with greater care and their work clearly exemplifies the standards expected in writing.

Inspectors noted that there is now evidence of pupils responding enthusiastically to their tasks particularly when challenged, and that this is raising standards of the achievement and overall outcomes for all children.

Whilst this feedback provides validation of our work, all staff and governors remain committed to the continuing improvement of outcomes for our children. Improvement plans are now being prepared for the next academic year and will include the actions that HMI have suggested will contribute to the achievement of our aspirational targets.

What we need to do next to maintain progress towards our targets?

As part of our continuing work, the Inspectors confirmed that senior leaders have correctly identified that we need to continue monitoring, and increase further, the pace of progress:

- In reading to make progress more consistent across all year groups
- For those pupils who have special educational needs

How can Parents/Carers support with learning & making the school even better?

As you are aware, the support of parents/carers is a critical to ensure a child is able to make the progress to achieve their full potential. At Holy Trinity we have always enjoyed very good partnership working between staff and parents/carers and there are a number of ways that we ask parents/carers to continue their work with us. This includes:

- Making sure that your child is properly dressed and in school on time every day, with all of their equipment with them
- Reading for at least 10 minutes each day with your child and ensuring they complete homework
- Asking your child about their day at school and in particular, what did they learn, (they could teach you about what they have learnt), and what they need to do to make their work even better.

By working together we can continue to build on the very successful year that we have had to date and I look forward to sharing with you improved end of year results later this summer.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for the continuing support of the school's work and to assure you of the Governors continuing commitment to working in partnership with you to drive up standards further for every child at Holy Trinity. I would also like to thank the Head Teacher, Ms Chaloner and her staff for their very hard work that has resulted in this excellent progress report.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss any aspect of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

With very best wishes

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matt Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Matt Smith
Chair of Governors