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Dear Parents and Carers

I am very pleased to send you the Ofsted Report which is now finalised. The school was graded 'Good' in all areas and the inspectors found many excellent practices across all areas of the school. The inspection team watched lessons, examined books, listened to pupils reading, interviewed governors, staff and pupils and read all of the feedback from parents. They also thoroughly inspected paperwork including safeguarding documents, risk assessments, minutes of governing body meetings, school development and self-evaluation plans, HR records, pupil progress information, targets etc etc.

At the summing up the governors and senior staff felt that the inspectors had understood Mayfield Primary School well. In brief, they were very impressed with the quality of school leadership at all levels, with the standard of the teaching, with the excellent safeguarding measures and with the abilities and behaviour of our pupils. They were very happy with provision for pupils with special educational needs. They were pleased to see a broad and rich curriculum in place and were delighted to see pupils engaged in many extra-curricular activities.

However, we will not be resting on our laurels. The inspectors identified areas such as maths and progress of pupil premium children where improvements have been needed, and they acknowledged that effective action is being taken. They also identified some areas where more work is required such as emphasizing areas of weakness more clearly in school improvement documents, more challenging early years outdoor activities and ensuring that all able children are pushed on sufficiently quickly. Teachers, leaders and governors will act on these recommendations and continue to work towards the best outcomes for every child in the school.

On behalf of the Governing Body I would like to thank Mrs Hill and her leadership team and all of the teaching, TA and non-teaching staff who work so hard for the children and who were very well prepared for the inspection visit. Thank you to all parents who took the time to fill in the Parent View forms and to leave feedback for the inspectors and special thanks to all of our children, many of whom read to inspectors, discussed their work and answered questions about their experience of Mayfield. In particular I would like to thank all of the volunteers and additional helpers who run extra-curricular clubs – they really made an impression and, for example, the lead inspector was delighted to see so many boys enjoying the choir when she arrived at the school and stated that everywhere she looked at lunchtime she saw busy groups of children and adults enjoying themselves.

I would urge you all to read the Inspection Report and please do get in touch with any feedback or comments.

Kind regards

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Chair of Governors