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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to share the wonderful news regarding Cloverlea Primary School's recent Ofsted inspection and the subsequent report. We are incredibly proud that Ofsted has recognised **the unique and positive atmosphere** we cultivate at Cloverlea, and I am thrilled to highlight some of the glowing remarks made about our school community.

According to the report, ***pupils are well cared for in this happy and harmonious school.*** It was heartwarming to see that Ofsted recognised the warm relationships that our pupils have with each other and with staff members. Our values of **learning, caring, believing, achieving** are not just words on paper; they are brought to life every day by our pupils and staff alike. For example, Ofsted noted that our older pupils ***delight in sharing stories with their younger reading buddies*** and that our play leaders organise inclusive games for everyone to enjoy at break times. This speaks volumes about the **kindness and sense of responsibility** that our pupils exhibit daily.

The report also acknowledged the strength of our curriculum and the high expectations we set for all our pupils. It is particularly gratifying to read Ofsted's comment that ***the school wants the very best for pupils***, and that our efforts to enhance the curriculum have been successful. From Nursery to Year 6, our team has worked diligently to provide a **well-structured and carefully sequenced curriculum** that **enriches learning** and prepares our pupils for the future. As Ofsted noted, ***pupils learn knowledge in carefully ordered steps***, which has enabled them to progress confidently and meaningfully through their subjects. Our curriculum is further enhanced by the many trips and experiences we offer, bringing classroom learning to life in exciting and memorable ways.

In addition, Ofsted highlighted our **school's commitment to reading**, saying that pupils ***develop into fluent and confident readers***, supported by our new library and the enthusiasm of our reading ambassadors. This is a point of pride for us, as we believe fostering a love of reading is fundamental to **lifelong learning**.

It was recognised that our Early Years staff are dedicated to nurturing children's language and communication skills **right from the start**. In our Nursery, children delight in songs, rhymes, and a range of carefully selected stories that lay a strong foundation for the phonics program in Reception.

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This early focus allows children to **rapidly develop their understanding of sounds and letters**, a process that **continues smoothly into Year 1**. For those needing extra support, we ensure they're quickly identified and receive the guidance they need, with additional high-quality help extending into Year 2 and beyond as needed. Our approach to reading is highly individualized, with books matched to each child's phonics level, enabling all our **pupils to grow into confident, fluent readers**. Furthermore, we have **enhanced our provision for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)**, making sure their needs are **identified and supported promptly**.

While we are thrilled with these affirmations, we **remain committed to continual growth** and improvement. Ofsted has highlighted a few areas where we can strengthen our provision even further. These include ensuring that all staff have clarity around **essential knowledge** in a small number of subjects and making sure that pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND); although they typically achieve in accordance with the school's expectations, are consistently (in every subject) **supported to access and retain their learning**. We are already actively addressing these areas to provide even better support to all our pupils.

Our school is dedicated to **creating a positive, inclusive environment for every child**, and we're grateful for the ongoing support from our parents, carers, and the broader community. We have achieved a judgement of **'good' in all areas** which reflects the **collective dedication, hard work and commitment of our entire school community**. Thank you so much for being an integral part of this journey and supporting us every step of the way. We look forward to building on this success, nurturing our pupils, and ensuring that Cloverlea continues to be a place where **children thrive, both academically and personally**.

Kind regards,

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