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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very pleased to finally share the outcomes of our recent HMI/Ofsted inspection report of St Maria Goretti, which highlights the many positive strengths and improvements to the school. In addition, we have received a letter from the Local Authority congratulating us on our successes.

There have been some key changes, which I need to explain. Under the new Ofsted system, schools which were judged as 'good' at the previous inspection require a short, one-day (Section 8) inspection. Under Section 8 inspections, judgements cannot be changed; this is possible only under Section 5 (two-day) inspections. As we were previously judged to be 'good,' this was a short inspection. Although many aspects of the school are now acknowledged to be outstanding, the judgements for these areas cannot formally be changed unless the overall judgement changes, in which case the inspection would convert to two days.

We are very pleased that HMI judged the vast improvements made and paid tribute to several outstanding features, though they are not permitted to include any changes to judgements. The lead inspector commended excellent aspects of the school and commended the children on their attitudes and behaviour. You will note that attendance is highlighted as a strength. This is due to the excellent work of staff, but also, your invaluable support and cooperation in ensuring good attendance for your children.

I hope you will join me in thanking the staff and members of the Academy Committee for their contribution to the school's success. Equally, I want to thank you on their behalf for your support and contribution to this report, which belongs to us ALL; particularly, to our children, who are a credit and we are all exceptionally proud of them.

Finally, it remains for me to say how proud and privileged I feel to be able to play my part in ensuring that St Maria Goretti remains a highly regarded school, which not only contributes to Catholic education as a whole, but also by our contribution to the education of pupils in other schools across the city.

The report will be discussed at our next Parent Forum, which I will be attending. If you have any questions, I will be happy to answer.

Read and enjoy!

Mrs M Yates
Executive Headteacher



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