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Good morning everyone. Having now received the final report from Ofsted, following our Inspection in February, I am able to share the outcome with you all.

We are very proud that aspects of our school such as Safeguarding, Behaviour, Personal Development, Welfare and Personal, Health and Social Education were all recognised by the team as being effective and graded 'Good'. Following 2 years of pandemic and successive periods of lockdown and remote learning, pupils' mental health and well-being have rightly been our priorities as they have returned to school. This and catching up on missed learning through our Recovery and Catch up Curriculum have had to be our focus. Again, these areas were recognised by the inspection team as strengths of our school and provision.

We have however, been disappointed by some judgements made about the planned curriculum in some subject areas, as it has simply not been possible to operate as 'business as usual' in the last 2 years and we have had many gaps in learning to address because of this. Nevertheless, we will take onboard the improvements required to bring our curriculum offer in some identified subjects inline with those where strengths were recognised. For example, the arrangements for the teaching of phonics and reading were judged to be good. It is therefore incredibly disappointing and frustrating that overall, our school was judged by the team to 'Require Improvement'. Be assured that leaders, staff and governors are committed to bringing about the necessary changes required to bring all aspects of our school back to 'Good' and feel that we now have a chance to do so, as Covid rates have significantly declined, meaning that staffing levels and pupils' attendance at school have improved.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Addison Headteacher