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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share the outcome of our recent OFSTED inspection, which was carried out by HMI Ms Louise Quinell and her team last term. The report is now available on the school's website for you to read in full here.

The report highlights the many strengths of Godalming Junior School and recognises the dedication of our staff, leadership team and wider school community. OFSTED judged the school to be operating at a **Strong Standard** in the majority of areas and also confirmed that there is an open and positive culture of Safeguarding and that these standards had been met.

Inspectors described our pupils as "joyful, eager and polite" and praised the school's kind, caring and inclusive culture. They recognised that pupils feel safe, enjoy coming to school and benefit from strong, respectful relationships with staff. The report also highlights our high attendance, excellent support for vulnerable pupils, and the wide range of unique opportunities that help children develop confidence, leadership skills and a love of learning in a holistic setting.

The Governing Body was pleased to see the recognition given to Mr Samson and his fantastic leadership team for their ambition, commitment and relentless focus on securing the very best outcomes for ALL children. Ofsted noted that leaders have a clear understanding of the school's strengths and priorities and are continuously making efforts to further strengthen teaching and learning across the school.

With the new Ofsted framework being introduced only last September, the outcome of the inspection is a testament to everyone associated with the school as it continues to go from strength to strength. GJS continues to provide a genuinely holistic offer; driven by highly skilled and valued staff in a calm, purposeful and "wholly inclusive" environment; led by an unflinching team of highly "passionate and committed" leaders and governors.

I would like to thank all parents and carers who provided feedback to OFSTED during the inspection. The inspectors noted that parents were highly positive about the school and appreciative of the education, care and opportunities provided for their children. Your support and partnership are instrumental to the school's success.

Yours sincerely,

Dr John Warren
Chair of Governors
Godalming Junior School