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13th November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find attached a copy of the recent Ofsted inspection report that was carried out on the 17th and 18th October. The HMI lead inspector, Janet Pearce was in school for two days and conducted the inspection together with an Ofsted inspector. They met with senior leaders, the Governing Body, staff, pupils and parents and scrutinised a range of evidence against the Ofsted criteria. They also observed all teachers teaching.

You may recall that the school has not been inspected for nearly 6 years and the school has undergone significant changes over time and therefore Bartons is now a considerably very different school. With all inspections, the two days are a snap shot of how the school has been and how it is now and so it may not reflect how far we feel we have come over the past year. The inspectors acknowledged that during a Section 5 inspection, they cannot comment on the recent journey of the school but informally discussed the achievements that have been made in this time.

Whilst, there are some disappointing judgements that have been made, there are a number of strengths that we are very pleased have been recognised including;

*‘Pupils are attentive in lessons’,*

*‘Pupils are unfailingly polite and charming to visitors.’*

*‘Pupils are safe and protected in school because adults know them really well and have built up positive relationships.’*

*‘Leaders and staff have transformed the ethos of the school. They have raised expectations and created a welcoming and aspirational atmosphere.’*

*‘Pupils benefit from a broad and interesting curriculum built around the strong values of Team Bartons.’*

Following this outcome, we will work with the Local Authority to ensure that quicker progress is made towards our main priorities and we will use the report to help us. The school has been on a journey of improvement and let me reassure you that we will not deviate from our development plans but will work even harder to show and prove that Bartons is a good school.

We have already started action planning and if you have any questions then please don’t hesitate to contact me or Mrs A. Powell.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kate Powell

Headteacher