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RE: OFSTED report

Dear parents and carers,

It gives us great pleasure to share our latest OFSTED inspection report with you all.

It's official! Lord Deramore's is now publicly recognised as an **'outstanding'** school.

This top rating is incredibly rare and difficult to achieve. Only 6.6% of primary schools nationally have been awarded it since the new, extremely rigorous inspection framework was introduced in 2019. Therefore, we extend huge congratulations to our entire school community – its **outstanding** children, families, staff and governors. Everybody should feel very proud of this special moment.

Some key highlights:

- Pupils, staff and parents are **very happy** to be part of Lord Deramore's.
- Pupils at Lord Deramore's **achieve exceptionally well**.
- They experience an **exceptional standard of education**.
- Outcomes for all pupils are **exceptionally strong**.
- Behaviour in lessons and around school is **exemplary**. Pupils have a thirst for learning.
- The school's programme to develop and 'nurture learners for life' is **exceptional**.
- Lord Deramore's is **highly** respected in the community.
- Families say they feel **'lucky'** to be part of the school and that their children **'thrive'**.

We have always been proud of the fact that, at Lord Deramore's, we never 'do things for OFSTED' or to jump through accountability or government hoops. Our families and children **always** come first and that is what makes this inspection outcome so pleasing – we have been doing the right things, for the right reasons and this has now been recognised and praised.

Although the inspectors have not identified any areas for development, we will continue to live out our vision of continually "*striving to be the best we can be*". We will not rest on our laurels and will always keep reflecting, refining and improving.

After spending the past three years in an 'OFSTED window', our staff team have shown great resilience knowing that the inspectors could visit on any given day. They continue to work tirelessly to give your children the very best primary school experience and we thank them for all that they do. Please thank them when you next speak to them.

Our biggest thanks has to go to our proud and very happy children, who have a thirst for learning, exhibit exemplary behaviours and achieve exceptionally well. We are **very** proud of them all!

Warmest wishes as always,

James Rourke
Headteacher

Richard Frost
Chair of Governors