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# Foundry Lane Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

Please find attached the report from our recent Ofsted inspection. As you can see from the report, nearly all sections of our provision were graded as 'Good'. However, our overall grading is 'Requires Improvement'.

We would encourage you to look beyond the headline grades and to read the report fully. There are so many positives within the report that show the hard work that has been put in by our whole community in improving provision for our pupils. We are especially proud of the strong focus on our pastoral and emotional care and support, our inclusivity and support for pupils with SEND, the behaviour of pupils and the high quality teaching of phonics, maths and reading that were observed during the inspection.

In light of the number of good features observed the overall grading may seem confusing. We are disappointed with the grading change particularly given the challenges the school has faced over the last two years. The pandemic has significantly impacted our learners and resulted in high rates of staff absence.

However, we welcome the feedback that Ofsted have given, the improvements required are relatively small and had already been identified in our school priorities for this year. We are therefore confident that we are already addressing these areas in order to ensure that teaching in all subjects of the curriculum is consistently good. Ofsted have recognised that we have the strong leadership team required to ensure that this happens.

We especially welcomed the strength of parental feedback during the inspection and value your contributions. The Ofsted team recognised what a strong community Foundry Lane is part of and we certainly appreciate your ongoing support.

On behalf of the staff and governors, we look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

Yours faithfully

Sean Taylor  
Headteacher

David Higlett  
Chair of Governors

