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Dear Parents and Carers

OFSTED REPORT 2024 – OUTSTANDING IN ALL AREAS

I am overjoyed to share the outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection, which took place on the 10th and 11th July 2024. I am incredibly proud to inform you that **Walford Nursery & Primary School has been rated OUTSTANDING in all areas, including the quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development, leadership and management, and early years provision.**

One of the most heartening comments from the report states, *'The moment you step over the threshold at Walford, you know this is a school that values education.'* This perfectly encapsulates the essence of our school community – a place where pupils are not only happy and confident but are also fully immersed in their learning. The inspectors observed that our pupils display an impressive thirst for knowledge, and their behaviour is exemplary both in and out of the classroom. They also noted the high level of respect and kindness that our pupils consistently show to one another and to the staff.

I am incredibly proud of every child. They impressed the team of inspectors immensely, sharing their learning with eloquence, demonstrating depth of knowledge, whilst showing the highest levels of respect. Our children truly shone and their behaviour, attitude and enthusiasm for learning is a testament to the hard work and dedication they put in every day.

Our curriculum was praised for being **precise, deliberate, and innovative**, ensuring that all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), receive the support they need to thrive. The inspectors were particularly impressed with the ambitious and carefully sequenced learning that takes place across all subjects, starting from the early years. The report highlights that *'This is a school that dreams big,'* which is evident in initiatives like 'Walford University' that provide enriching experiences to complement our very strong curriculum.



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Throughout this process, I have been deeply moved by the kindness and words of encouragement shared by so many of you before, during and after the inspection. Many expressed that you did not need Ofsted to tell you that our school is outstanding – you already knew it! These sentiments mean the world to us and reinforce the strong partnership we share with our wonderful school community.

This outstanding achievement is a testament to the dedication, hard work, and passion of our entire school community. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to our remarkable governors and staff, whose unwavering commitment to providing the best possible education for our children has been instrumental in this success.

I would also like to thank you, our amazing parents and carers, for your ongoing support and partnership. Your involvement in your children's education and your continued support is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

The full Ofsted report is available on our website, and a copy enclosed, which I encourage you to read in detail to see the many positive comments made by the inspectors.

Thank you once again for your support, encouragement and for being such a vital part of our school. In typical Walford style, we will continue to build on this incredible success, striving to provide the highest standard of education and care for all pupils. We look forward to continuing learning together in this new academic year and beyond.

Kind regards



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