Our Lady and St. Brendan's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

It is with great delight that I am now able to share our brilliant OFSTED report with our wonderful OLSB community.

It is so heartwarming to see how the inspectors recognised the qualities in our children and the hardworking dedication of staff who work with determination to ensure every child succeeds. To achieve the STRONG standard, in both and Inclusion and Personal Development and Wellbeing are a testament to the outstanding culture we have established in our community. We have no areas in school that need attention or urgent improvement.

I'd like to thank our parents for supporting the children to be the best they can be and I'm sure you will agree that we need to extend our gratitude to our tremendously hardworking staff team. I feel incredibly blessed to work with a team of such skilled, caring professionals who are relentless in their ambition to ensure that every child thrives, feels loved, safe and cared for. The relationships between staff and children were recognised as a significant strength and this is why our children 'try hard and behave well because they know it's the right thing to do.'

Next steps... We were very proud to hear the judgement that behaviour is a real strength in our school, but unfortunately, you will see that this grade is combined with attendance. Despite an improving picture and our high expectations for attendance, there are still too many absences from school which means that we are unable to secure the strong standard in this area. As a result, Ofsted have given us a next step to improve communication with parents about your child's attendance levels in school.

Curriculum and teaching is at the expected standard and we can now build on this so it is consistently strong in every lesson for every pupil without a minute wasted. Improved attendance will help this to ensure no child misses out on valuable learning in school.

If you have any questions about the report, please do get in touch. We are more than happy to discuss this wonderful achievement for our OLSB community.

Yours sincerely,

Ms S Delany
Headteacher