



ST.VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL
MANOR PARK SOUTH, KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE WA16 8AL

Believe, Trust and Be Ready

“That they may have life, and to the full” John 10:10

Thursday 12th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached a copy of the Ofsted report from our inspection in November last year. In summary, the inspector has maintained the rating of the school as good. With this being an ungraded inspection, this is effectively the best outcome we could have expected and we are very pleased with the result.

I urge you to read the report, it contains some very warm words and makes many complementary observations about the school. It is clear that the inspector picked up on the true essence of St Vincent's during the inspection, which is immensely gratifying. Also, very importantly, is the recognition in the report of the dedication of all the staff at the school. We have a great team at St Vincent's and each one of them makes a full contribution in creating an enriching educational experience for the children.

The report also highlights the strong sense of community within the school. This is essential to the school's success and can only come from the parents and carers. In that regard, we are very grateful for the continued support we receive from you.

In terms of areas of development, reference has been made about the improving certain aspects of the reading curriculum. We take on board these comments and will adapt our approach accordingly. I already knew how hard working and talented the staff are, so I had every confidence that the inspection would go well. Whilst that has indeed proved to be the case, preparing the school for an inspection adds to an already significant workload and puts the staff under great pressure.

The school has passed this test with flying colours, Miss Groarke and all the staff can rightly be very proud of the positive nature of the report. It is a great affirmation of their dedication, professionalism and resilience, during what has been an incredibly challenging period for the school.

On behalf of the governors, we would like to offer our sincere thanks and congratulations to the whole team for their tremendous work.

Again, on behalf of the governors, we wish everybody connected to the St Vincent's community a healthy and prosperous 2023.

Kind regards

Mike Dobson
Chair of Governors