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Dear parents, grandparents and carers,

OFSTED Report

As you know, the school was inspected by Ofsted on 23 January. We have now received the inspector's final report and I am pleased to tell you that, in Ofsted's words, "this school continues to be good". The report will be published on the Ofsted website later this month and a copy is attached so you can read it for yourself.

On the day, the inspector was extremely positive about the school. The report praises the work the staff have done on the curriculum and the way they ensure that all pupils are engaged in learning and challenged with work at the right level for them. The children's behaviour and their care and respect for each other and their teachers is also singled out for praise. The inspector heard first hand from pupils that children at Castle Camps feel happy and safe in school and know that they can always talk to staff if anything is worrying them.

The report rightly challenges us to make sure that our attendance figures stay above the national average and to make sure we are all aware of how much attendance impacts on pupils' progress and achievement. We must also focus closely on ensuring strong progress, particularly in maths. This is something staff and governors had already picked up. A lot of work has already been done and this area is being monitored regularly.

What was really lovely about the inspection was that the inspector saw not a special performance but a normal day in the life of the school. All the things he praised happen every day. I know you will join me in thanking the staff, pupils, the Friends of Castle Camps School and my fellow governors for all the effort they put in and congratulating them on this excellent inspection outcome.

Parents and all of the extended school family also make a huge contribution to the school's success. Thank you to those who completed Parent View questionnaires on the day and to all of you for your everyday support. Castle Camps is a school we can all be very proud of.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Larcombe
Chair of Governors













