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Dear Parents/Carers

We are very pleased to share with you the recently published Ofsted report for St Gregory's Catholic Primary School following their inspection on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024. We are delighted with the outcome of the report especially after the significant period of staffing turbulence that the school has experienced in recent years. As this was an ungraded inspection, the school retains its Outstanding status but Ofsted will return to conduct a graded inspection within the next one to two years. During the two days that he spent in school, the inspector fed back to leaders that he had not seen any practice that was less than Good. He also reported, as outlined in this report, that the school is in a place to improve rapidly.

When you read this report, you will be struck by the many positive findings from the inspection such as 'This is a Catholic school with ambition, where pupils are genuinely valued and cared for.' The inspector also recognised that the new Principal, along with the trust, have brought about stability and the school is in a place to move forward positively. It was lovely to see teachers being commended for their high expectations of pupils and pupils for working hard which typically leads to them achieving well. We loved his description of there being 'a palpable buzz about learning' from Early Years to Year 6.

We are working closely with the Local Governing Body, Suzanne Horan, as Chief Executive Officer, the school leadership team and all the staff, to ensure that the three areas of improvement identified in the report are addressed as quickly as possible and the school will keep you updated with its progress. We understand parents' desire for improved communication and the school is committed to delivering this.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community.

Yours sincerely

J Griffin Chair of the Board SByrne

Chair of the Local Governing Body





