

15th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Please find attached the recently published Ofsted report for Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School following their inspection on 28 and 29 November 2023.

Directors are very disappointed that inspectors judged Our Lady of Fatima as 'Requires Improvement' for aspects of its Quality of Education relating to some Foundation subjects. Under the current Ofsted framework, the Quality of Education judgement is a limiting judgement which means that the school has, therefore, been graded as 'Requires Improvement' for overall effectiveness.

When you read this report, you will see that inspectors recognised many areas of significant strength of the school including Personal Development, Behaviour and Attitudes, Special Educational Needs (SEND) provision, safeguarding and many areas of Quality of Education and the curriculum. Maths is identified as a real strength of the school, and the well-designed curriculum in both English and mathematics result in pupils reaching high standards in reading, writing and mathematics.

Some areas of the curriculum need further development and leaders have already begun working on this to ensure consistency in quality of curriculum in every subject within the school. MAC directors remain deeply committed to continuing our drive to raise standards: we will do all that is necessary to improve the quality of education that your children receive. We are working closely with the Local Governing Body, Suzanne Horan, as CSEL, the school leadership team and all the staff, to ensure that the recommendations in the report are addressed as quickly as possible, and the school will keep you updated with its progress.

We have much to be proud of at Our Lady of Fatima: governors, staff and pupils all work hard every day within this warm and nurturing school.

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

J Griffin

Chair of the Board of Directors



