



7th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to let you know the outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection, which took place at the end of January 2023. The final report will be published on the OFSTED Report website on Tuesday 14th March 2023.

The judgements made by the Ofsted inspectors are as follows:

Behaviour and Attitudes - GOOD

Personal Development - GOOD

Leadership and Management -GOOD

Early Year's Provision - GOOD

Quality of Education – REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT

As a result, the overall judgement for our school is 'Requires Improvement'.

Inspectors recognised that Holy Rosary is an “improving school” and despite the pandemic has come a long way since its last inspection where it was judged as ‘Inadequate’ and said that our Senior Leadership Team, with support from the St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust, had successfully reinvigorated the school’s culture.

You should be extremely proud of your children, as we are. They were a credit to you throughout the inspection and Ofsted said that they behaved “extremely well.”

It was lovely to see that inspectors recognised the importance of our Vision in school, they said, “Pupils embody the mantra ‘a loving heart, a strong mind’ in all that they do.”

Inspectors saw evidence of curriculum planning in which leaders have outlined, in detail, the important topics that pupils need to know and remember with careful sequencing to make sure the new knowledge builds on prior learning.

The “strong culture of reading throughout the school” was celebrated with inspectors acknowledging that “Leaders have carefully chosen a wide range of appropriate books to develop pupils’ understanding of the world around them”. Inspectors saw and confirmed that “the phonics curriculum is well-planned. The sounds that pupils learn build upon the things they already know.”

Inspectors were confident that from this visit that staff are “committed to the ambitious vision” set for the school but they have said there is more to do and we fully accept this.



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Areas that were highlighted for improvement by Ofsted had already been identified and now continue to be addressed by our Senior Leadership Team and the St Ralph Sherwin Trust. We want to reassure you that we are focusing our efforts on securing further rapid improvements at Holy Rosary.

The ongoing communication and relationship between school and parents is an integral part of school improvement. We are committed to fostering this relationship wherever possible. I invite all parents to a Parent Forum to discuss and hear more about our next steps. Please complete this short form to let us know if you are able to join us.

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Yours Sincerely

Mrs Dyche

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