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Dear Parents and Carers,

Broadstone First School is a special place to learn.

Pupils understand the high expectations set out of how they should behave. They are kind and polite. Pupils play well together.

The school has designed a highly ambitious curriculum, including for the early years. Pupils enjoy their learning and are proud of their work.

One parent said, 'The school thinks of each child as an individual, giving each child skills for life and the wider world.'

These are just a few of the statements from Ofsted who have judged our school as 'Good with Outstanding features'. We are delighted to share our Ofsted report from the recent inspection held on 12th and 13th September.

The report is a summary of what inspectors saw during their two-day visit. Other highlights included:

- The broad range of co-curricular clubs we have on offer
- Our inclusive provision for all children
- Effective safeguarding processes to ensure safety of all
- Staff positivity and sense of pride to work at Broadstone First School
- All staff's wellbeing is a high priority
- Effective communication between school and families

It is important to note that since the school was last inspected fifteen years ago, the inspection framework has changed four times. The use of the 'Outstanding' judgement is now rare. Last year, 83% of schools judged outstanding in their last inspection were judged 'Good'. However, Broadstone First has been judged 'Outstanding' in Personal Development and Leadership. This means that the school 'gives careful consideration to pupils' personal development' and that the school is 'highly ambitious for all pupils'.

English and Maths were particularly praised in the report. This has been a focus for us post-pandemic. We wanted to ensure our children had solidly developed the knowledge in these areas, in order to ensure they could access all other areas of the curriculum successfully. Ofsted have identified that the time is ripe for us to make the same strides in some of the other foundation subjects like geography.

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We are so very grateful to all the parents who either completed the survey in such a positive manner or spoke directly to inspectors. Your comments were followed up in school and your support of us has been a highlight as well. Thank you!

We are deeply proud of all the school has achieved and particularly proud of our children. Their enthusiasm, love of learning and confidence shone through and has been highlighted by inspectors. Their behaviour and manners were also a highlight.

Please take time to read the report using the link below and as ever, if you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch.

<https://www.broadstonefirstschool.co.uk/ofstedreport>

Thank you again for all you do to make "Broadstone First School a special place to learn".

Best wishes



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