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Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of the Governing Body I wanted to take a moment to share our delight that Yaxham Primary School has been given a Good rating by Ofsted. As a governing body we spend a huge amount of time in meetings and during visits hearing about what is happening in school and so we knew our school was a Good school but there is something pretty amazing to have Ofsted agree that they could see what we can see.

I think it's important to recognise that this hasn't happened without an incredibly huge amount of hard work from everyone. On my way back to school to hear the Inspectors final comments I reflected on the journey the school has been on since I became a governor. It has been a sometimes rocky path, littered with difficult decisions and some very tough conversations not to mention a global pandemic! However, one thing has always been true is the desire to make sure that every single child will flourish and achieve and that is so very obviously apparent when you speak to staff, children, governors, parents and carers past and present.

Our amazing team at Yaxham have always given their all and I want to thank each and every one of them for giving so much and continuing to do so. They all have so much passion and work so hard to ensure that our children receive the best experiences whilst they are at school.

Huge thanks needs to go to Mrs Müller, Mrs Knee, Miss Alden, Mrs Gilbert and Mrs Wooltorton. The research, planning, time and effort that goes into making the journey we wanted for our school a reality can never and should never be underestimated. I have always felt it was an honour to work alongside them and them receiving the recognition for their hard work through this grade is definitely in my top three best bits of being a governor.

The children also deserve a huge thank you. Our amazing children carried on learning, were as curious and inquisitive as always and were completely unbothered by the special visitors during the inspection. What's more I'm told they happily told the inspectors how much they loved and were proud of their school.

I'd like to thank you the parents and carers. Thank you for taking the time to speak to the inspectors at the gate in the morning or for completing the Parentview questionnaire. The Inspectors do read and do listen to your thoughts and so your positivity made a difference.

Last but very much not least, I want to thank the Governing Body of Yaxham Primary School. All are volunteers, with work and family commitments and yet all give hours of their time for meetings, training, visits and so much more each year.

The belief that everyone has had in our school community and the support the school has received on this journey to becoming the school we all knew it could be is something to behold and I am very proud to be part of the team and the community. Well done everyone!

Yours faithfully

Michelle Parnell
Chair of Governors