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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to let you know about the outcome of the **Ofsted inspection** that we had on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024, and to share the final report with you all.

As a team, we are delighted to tell you that Ofsted have judged Priestley Primary School to be a GOOD school. This is a really positive outcome which recognises the care and commitment of the staff, your support (as parents and carers), and of course, a celebration of the children.

As ever, there was a recognition of the experiences that Priestley provides – as Ofsted says:

*'Pupils benefit from a wide range of trips, visits and visitors. Residential trips, for example, build pupils' confidence and independence. The annual careers fair brings pupils into contact with a range of employers. This helps them to begin to understand the choices they have for their futures. Pupils develop their knowledge of religions by visiting different places of worship and their geographical skills through local fieldwork.'*

The report also recognises that staff know the children well – including those with specific needs:

*'The school identifies accurately the needs of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Teachers receive information about how to meet pupils' needs and apply this well.'*

The report noted and agreed with the areas for development that we had identified, and already put into our school improvement planning. For example, *'The school has started to strengthen teachers' subject knowledge.'* This reflects our focus on adapted teaching, on which we have spent considerable time in preparation and training (including the training days earlier this week) so we can improve teaching approaches in order that our children remember more over time.

You should feel pride in the inspection report (which can be found at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/126254>) - please take time to read the report and to congratulate members of staff when you next see them.

I would like to thank every member of the school for working tirelessly to ensure Priestley remains a great place in which children learn and develop; a school of which we can all be proud. Again, thank you for your very welcome ongoing support; I can assure you it means a great deal to all members of staff, who continue to strive to build on their successes, for the benefit of your children.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Luke Coles', written in a cursive style.

Luke Coles - Interim Headteacher