

13<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to inform you that the final Ofsted inspection report from our two-day section 8 inspection on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 accompanies this covering letter. The report will also be accessible via the school website and published on the official Ofsted report website

The purpose of a section 8 inspection is to gauge whether a school continues to be 'good' as indicated in our previous report in December 2016, or to ascertain whether there is evidence to suggest a school is above or below its original grading.

We are delighted to share with parents and carers that inspectors judged that Howard Primary School continues to be a 'Good' School.

I am delighted that the hard work undertaken by the Howard Primary School staff has been recognised. We have worked exceptionally hard to ensure the curriculum is broad and ambitious and it was wonderful for the inspection team to note that 'teachers have high expectations of pupils' and the 'curriculum is planned and delivered well'. Furthermore, after such a disrupted period over the last two years, the inspection team noted that 'leaders have considered gaps in pupils' learning as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and have adapted the curriculum accordingly. This is helping pupils to catch up on any missed learning'.

The report itself highlights the many elements of effective provision at Howard Primary School as well as the next steps needed to take the school forward. What is very satisfying is that the next steps identified were already within our development plan prior to this inspection and the associated adaptations are already being implemented.

Please take the time to read the inspection report in full as it evidences that the School is not only good, but one that continuously strives to improve and excel.

Yours sincerely

Miss De Saulles