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Dear Parent and Carers,

Thank you for all your support during our recent Ofsted inspection. It was a rigorous process that highlighted some of the progress we have made since the last Ofsted inspection. The overall judgement has been graded as Requires Improvement.

I believe this to be a fair reflection of where we are mostly as a school at the moment and see this report as being instrumental in moving the school forward. The inspectors have highlighted the following strengths in the report:

- Leaders are aware of the school's strengths and weaknesses. They have put in place strategies to tackle the low attainment and progress of pupils in key stage 2.
- The executive headteacher and leadership team have a clear vision for the school and are determined to raise standards.
- The executive headteacher has ensured that staff receive relevant training to develop their skills.
- Where teaching is better, teachers use their subject knowledge well to set tasks that meet pupils' needs.
- During lessons, teaching assistants are skilled in supporting pupils. When required they intervene to ensure that pupils understand and move them on with their learning.
- Staff are committed to developing pupils' emotional well-being. The school's nurturing ethos creates an environment where pupils are happy to be themselves and know that there is always someone who will listen to and support them.
- The proportion of children leaving the early years with a good level of development is consistently similar to the national average. The early year's teacher and leaders are ambitious for this to rise further.

There are also a number of recommendations and leaders will use this report to build on what is already set out in the school development plan, leader's action plans and the good practice referred to during the inspection to put in place the changes needed to improve the school.

The most immediate priority will be to develop a Post Ofsted Action Plan which, when completed, will be shared with you. We have already started work with the LAAT schools improvement team to support us in the improvement journey.

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It is obviously disappointing for all members of staff that the outcome of the inspection has found that the school requires improvement and will undoubtedly be disappointing for you as parents also. However, it must be said that **all staff in school are committed to providing the best education for the children of Sutterton Fourfields CE Primary School.**

With the publication of the report, **now is the time to look forward and continue to address the issues that you as parents are most concerned about** – that is ensuring that **the children of Sutterton Fourfields CE Primary School receive the high quality education that they deserve in a safe environment where all children are supported to reach their potential.** We hope that you as parents will continue to support us with this aim.

To give parents more opportunity to discuss concerns you may have regarding the Ofsted report and the progress that we are already making in improving the school, **we would like to invite you to a parent ‘drop-in’ with leaders and governors at school.** Appointments will be held between **9.00am - 11:00 am and 3.05pm – 5:00 pm.** A letter confirming the date of the ‘drop-in’ will follow in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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