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Dear Parents and Carers

**Section 48 (Diocesan) Inspection of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School,
December 3rd – 4th December 2013**

I am writing this letter to share with you the findings of the diocesan inspection of your children's school. Diocesan inspection now explores in detail the school's own view of itself as expressed in its self-evaluation. For this reason, much of the report is more technical than used to be the case. You are still entitled to have a copy of the full report should you want one and it will be available on the school website or by request from the school office.

The school is an outstanding Catholic school which is very well led and therefore ensures that there is an excellent Catholic ethos where every member of the school community is valued and respected. The school's mission underpins all that the school does. The children make extremely good progress in their religious education. The Catholic curriculum is excellent and taught so that pupils are interested and actively involved and develop a respect for the beliefs of others and learn well. Pupils are proud of their school. They feel safe and happy and know they are listened to and cared for. They enjoy their learning in religious education and take an active part in the Masses and liturgies whether it is reading a prayer or singing. This is a harmonious community where pupils work and play happily together. Behaviour is exemplary; teachers encourage the children to behave well both in class and around the school. The pupils are polite and welcoming. The teachers and academy committee members regularly review what is learned in religious education and the Catholic life of the school to ensure that your children receive the best possible religious education.

I have recommended to improve your children's learning still further that the children are led to take an even greater part in planning and organising prayer services and collective worship. The religious education curriculum needs the vocations curriculum to be further developed.

I thoroughly enjoyed my time in the school being able to see your children at work, play, and prayer. It was a privilege and pleasure to inspect your school. The children and staff made me feel most welcome. The children are a credit to the school, to their families and to those who care for them.

Yours sincerely

Teresa Quick
Diocesan Inspector