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Dear Parent/Carer,

Outcome of Ofsted Inspection 2017

You will be aware that Lealands was inspected by Ofsted on the 16th March. This inspection was carried out under section 8 of the Education Act 2005 as a short inspection for a school previously designated as 'Good' overall.

I am pleased to inform you that the outcome of the inspection was very positive and Lealands continues to be a 'Good' school.

The inspection report has been published on the Ofsted website today and can be seen in full by following this link:-

https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/109686

The inspectors praised a number of aspects of our school and I am proud of the work that staff and students continue to put in to make Lealands the best it can be. I am also very grateful to the massive support that we receive from many parents and carers.

Some of the highlights of the report are:-

- 'You and your colleagues have led the school with determination, commitment and integrity'
- 'The strength of leadership at the school is recognised by a large majority of pupils, staff and parents alike'
- 'an inclusive school, where there are high expectations of what all pupils can achieve.'
- 'Pupils clearly enjoy school. They feel valued and well supported.'
- 'attendance is higher than the national average.'
- 'diversity is valued and ...all pupils feel they belong.'
- 'Pupils are proud of their school. They move around the site in a calm and orderly way and look after their excellent facilities carefully.'
- 'Teaching continues to be effective.'
- 'Pupils work diligently and often with enthusiasm.'
- 'Teachers create and sustain overwhelmingly constructive, trusting relationships.'
- 'Pupils are happy to contribute to lessons and they ask and answer questions articulately.'
- 'The school's self-evaluation is thorough and perceptive.'
- 'Pupils feel safe and are confident that poor behaviour, including bullying, is rare and dealt with effectively if it does occur.'

There were, of course, some areas identified for improvement which the school had already been working towards as we continuously monitor and review all that we do to ensure the best education possible for your children. I am confident that if you read the full report, you will recognise that the inspectors really understood what Lealands is about. I am pleased that the report is overwhelmingly positive and a great endorsement of all we do. Thank you, again, for your ongoing support for the school and our staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mr John Burridge

Headteacher















