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Dear Parents and Carers,

Ofsted Inspection of John Donne Primary School: 29-30 November 2023

John Donne Primary School was inspected by a team of OFSTED Inspectors as part of the cycle of inspection under the latest OFSTED framework at the end of November.

I am pleased to now share the agreed final version of the Ofsted Report. This will also be published in the next few days on the OFSTED Website at www.ofsted.gov.uk and the school website, https://www.idacademy.org.uk/our-learning/ofsted-report

The report highlights the many strengths of John Donne, including our curriculum, our staff, and most importantly our pupils.

The inspectors identified that 'the school has strong routines that support pupils to behave well' and 'pupils are motivated and enthusiastic about their learning at this school' this means that 'classrooms are settled, purposeful places where pupils listen attentively, work well together and try hard at their learning'.

It was highlighted that 'leaders are ambitious for what pupils will achieve through the curriculum' and that we 'ensure that a wide range of 'memorable experiences' develop pupils' knowledge and experience of the world'.

The recommendations given in the report are already part of the ongoing school development programme and had been identified by leaders prior to the inspection.

The last time Ofsted graded John Donne was in 2011 and the Ofsted framework has seen many changes in those twelve years. Our school is in a strong position, with a broad curriculum, strong comparative attainment and an excellent breadth of wider opportunities, all of which enables our pupils to be motivated, engaged and prepared for the next stage of their educational journey. I am very pleased that on this visit, the inspectors had plenty of opportunities to talk to our incredible pupils, who were excited and confident to share their experiences and knowledge.

We are proud of the commitment of our school staff and their hard work in ensuring all pupils receive high quality learning opportunities at John Donne Primary School. We look forward to continuing this work and providing our pupils the best education experience.

Thank you to our pupils and our community for all their support during the Inspection.

With very best wishes,

Jo Rooney Headteacher

