



# Thrapston Primary School

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## Ofsted Monitoring Visit

Dear Parents/Carers,

Some of you may already be aware that, earlier this month, Ofsted visited our school to carry out a monitoring inspection. The report will be available on the Ofsted website shortly but we have made a copy available for you to view now via our school website. In addition, paper copies can also be requested from the school office.

[Link to monitoring inspection report on the school website](#)

The aim of the inspector's visit was to assess whether "*senior leaders and governors are taking effective action to tackle the areas requiring improvement*". I am pleased to report that the inspector confirmed we are indeed taking effective action. This supports both our own self-evaluation of the school and also the view of the Local Authority.

The inspector's report is a reflection of the hard work being carried out by members of staff throughout the school. Governors see this commitment whenever we spend time in school and, from the messages I receive from parents, carers and the wider community, I know that many of you see and appreciate it too.

The report highlights that "*senior leaders and governors have acted swiftly and purposefully*". It notes that "*pupils who are falling behind are quickly identified and given the help they need in order to catch up*". It also tells us that, for mathematics in particular, the investments we have made in specialist training and resources are having the impact we expected. "*Work in pupils' books shows that these activities are helping pupils with topics such as time, capacity and the four rules of number*".

The report also makes it clear that there is more work to be done. In reading and writing, more detailed curriculum documentation needs to be provided to staff, to ensure that they have the strongest possible "*understanding of the expectations of the curriculum*". In Reception, more work is required to "*encourage parents to inform staff when the child has successfully achieved a specific milestone at home*". Senior leaders were already working hard to drive improvements in each of these areas prior to the inspector's visit and efforts will continue in the coming months.

I'd like to thank all the children who spent time with the inspector during his visit. He told me that he was especially impressed with their knowledge of the school, their politeness and their eagerness to make sure he didn't get lost at the end of the lunchbreak.

If you have any questions or comments about either the report or this letter, please contact me via the email address below.

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Regards

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