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Dear Families,

I am writing to inform you that while routine Ofsted inspections of education and social care providers have been suspended, Ofsted are currently carrying out thousands of visits to schools, colleges, nurseries, children's homes, local authorities and other providers of education and children's social care. The aim of these visits is to explain how providers are getting back to education and meeting the needs of children and older learners, while managing the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The purpose is to hear directly from the leaders of these institutions, so Ofsted can help others understand what's being done in sometimes extraordinary circumstances – whether that is parents, other professionals working in these fields or the government.

We have been contacted by Ofsted to take part in one of these visits today. Due to the new lockdown the visit will now be conducted completely remotely.

I am really pleased to have this opportunity to share with them the barriers that we have faced and the amazing way we have worked as a community at this difficult time. I will be share with the team, the staff, parents and learner surveys that have been completed since March of this year to ensure that our whole communities' views are included.

Following the visit the school will receive a brief letter outlining what we have done to manage the reopening of the school. This is be published on their website and I will send a copy to parents. The findings from our visit will be incorporated into the monthly reports that they are producing to support educational settings at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

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