

## SEATON SLUICE MIDDLE SCHOOL

One of the Seaton Valley Federation of Schools

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Dear Parent / Carer

As you will be aware, SSMS had an Ofsted inspection on 11th and 12th July 2023. We are pleased to say that we are now in receipt of the official inspection report attached, also on the SVF website.

We are delighted that SSMS continues to be recognised as a good school! This is a fantastic outcome and we are very pleased that Ofsted has recognised the great work that happens every day at SSMS.

When you read the report, you will see that there are many complimentary things said about SSMS and we are all justifiably proud of the report.

We would like to thank all the parents who took the time to fill in the parent view questionnaire and pay special praise to all the pupils who were simply outstanding over the two days. The inspection team spoke very high of all the pupils they met.

As Executive Headteacher and Head of School, we would like to thank all the staff for their efforts, not just on those two days of inspection, but every day when they do such an amazing job for the pupils at SSMS.

The inspection team left the school with an area for development and the leadership team are working on the best way to achieve this development point.

Once again, thank you for all of your support of the school and I hope you are as proud of this report as we are.

We would like to leave you with these quotes from the report that really sum up SSMS.

"Pupils at Seaton Sluice Middle School are proud of their school community. They say that everyone is welcome and that teachers will always help them do their best. Inspectors agree."

"If pupils are unkind in their words or actions, staff deal with this immediately. Pupils tell an adult if something is worrying them."

"The school's approach to promoting and supporting the mental health and well-being of pupils and staff is a strength of the school."





"Pupils display excellent behaviour in lessons and at social times"

"The school has a strong focus on keeping pupils safe."

Yours sincerely,

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