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Dear Isobel,

Congratulations to you and everyone at St Mary's for the impressive outcome following your recent denominational inspection.

You and your staff are to be commended for all their hard work in ensuring that all pupils are provided with a very high standard of education, where all are welcome and included. The environment that you have developed has clearly led to the situation where children enjoy school and are inspired to do their best and live out their faith both in school and their community. I am delighted, as I am sure you are, that the parents value your work so highly and appreciate all you do, whatever their faith background.

The fact that the mission statement is so prominent, in all aspects of school life, is a credit to all members of the community. I was thrilled to read, in the report, that the Catholic life of the school supports pupils so holistically, nurturing academic excellence as well as the spiritual development of the children. The pastoral support offered to everyone is high quality and the staff are to be congratulated for this. The enjoyment demonstrated by the children, is testament to the quality of your work.

Prayer is clearly central to school life, the range of opportunities provided are certainly valued. The variety of worship, across the school, allows the children to learn the traditional prayers of the Church but more importantly, it allows them to develop their relationship with God. You must be incredibly proud of your staff. Inspectors were able to appreciate the quality of their work and the impact it has on pupils. They are ensuring that lessons motivate the children, allowing them to be inspired and reach their full potential.

I am sure you are delighted that the work of the governing body has been rewarded and their work instrumental in creating a culture where all are dedicated to maintaining high standards, ensuring continued development and innovation. Please pass on my thanks and gratitude to everyone at school for their commitment and dedication in ensuring that St Mary's remains a beacon of outstanding practice. I wish you and all members of the school community every success in all future endeavours.

Yours sincerely,

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