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Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to enclose a copy of our recent Ofsted report that reflects the visit we had on 11th and 12th July 2023. This inspection began as a monitoring inspection that was converted to a full inspection based on the fact that...

"In accordance with section 13(5) of the Education Act 2005, His Majesty's Chief Inspector is of the opinion that the school no longer requires significant improvement." It is quite unusual for this to happen on a first monitoring visit. This is something that the school community can be proud of.

I am pleased that the report recognises some of the great strengths within our school. Our school development plan that was implemented after the inspection in September 2022 was seen to be effective. We had focused initially on safeguarding, early reading (phonics) and mathematics. These aspects that have been worked on were seen as a strength in the recent inspection. As a school we recognised that careful planning and small steps would make this manageable while ensuring that the experiences that our children have were not negatively impacted. We had already identified further work to secure a better grading for Quality of Education in English and the Foundation subjects. The inspectors agreed that this was a sensible approach to school development. The judgement in this area limited other judgements so while overall the judgements may require improvement we remain proud of our provision at school.

Stoke Prior is a special school and I am pleased that Ofsted recognised that...

"Pupils are rightly proud of the way they work and play together. They appreciate the care, attention and support that all staff give them. This is seen, felt and heard throughout the school."

and...

"Leaders, including governors, have shown determination and dedication to improve since the previous inspection that took place earlier this year. They have supported each other through a difficult period. The sense of community and being there for each other - and most importantly - for the pupils, was shared by staff many times over"

I would like to thank you for your continued support. Rest assured the Governors and staff are fully committed to continuing the developments as we join Three Counties Academy Trust and the opportunities that will bring.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Lewis', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mr Matt Lewis
Headteacher