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**Ofsted Report, 20 September 2023**

Dear parents and carers

Please find a link to our recent Ofsted report that has now been published after a period of consultation.

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/112887>

We are pleased that Longstone 'continues to be a good school' under the Ofsted inspection framework. It was a short inspection due to the school being graded as good in 2018 and it focused primarily on the quality of education (especially reading, writing, maths and PE), the wider curriculum (including personal development and behaviour and attitudes) and safeguarding. As a result, the report is quite concise but we are delighted with the many positive findings.

Once again, I would like to extend my thanks to the Longstone community for their support during the inspection. We were all touched by the kind words, good wishes and generosity.

Thanks also to those parents who were able to complete the parent survey – we were, again, touched, by the many positive comments and feedback we received.

Thanks to the amazing staff who were calm and confident and did what they always do – taught exceptionally well and looked after our children. Thanks to our governors for their work during the inspection and for their time and expertise in supporting and challenging the school.

And, of course, thanks to our children. They were all a shining example of what we want our Longstone children to be – welcoming, hardworking, well behaved and determined to show off the wonders of Longstone school (even during wet play!) The inspectors spoke to a range of children throughout the day and they were so impressed by their attitudes to all facets of school life, of which there are many at Longstone.

Ofsted always leave us with something to work on too! We are always looking to improve our provision and we are confident we can refine our practice even further in light of Ofsted's recommended area for improvement.

Kind regards

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