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Dear Parent/ Carer,

OFSTED Inspection Letter- March 2017

Accompanying this letter is a copy of the OFSTED letter which follows the recent inspection of the school on 14th March 2017.

As you will read the school has been judged as a school that continues to offer a good quality of education. We are all very proud of the judgements and comments that the inspector made and I would like to thank the children, staff and governors for their hard work during the inspection.

Within the letter there are many strengths and areas that the school does well; there are also one or two areas where we can improve. This is as it should be: the staff and governors at Crossways Infant School are always looking at ways we can improve the provision at the school for the children, whether that is within a particular subject or the extra activities we can offer. It is worth stating that the OFSTED framework has been reviewed a number of times in recent years and that the threshold for achieving the different judgements has been raised.

The OFSTED team consisted of one inspector who visited the school on one day. Prior to the visit the inspector had looked at the data document based on national test/assessment results, produced by the Department for Education and Skills, and the Self Evaluation Form (SEF), written by me and the school leadership team and then agreed by the staff and governors. From this information the inspector had come to a number of hypotheses which she wanted to check during the inspection. On the day the inspector visited each of the classes for a short period of 15 minutes and spoke to some children and many members of staff. At the end of the day she gave us verbal feedback which formed the basis of the letter which we have sent to you.

I would be very grateful if you could share the letter with your child(ren) and discuss any part of it that you think they will understand or feel is relevant.

This letter demonstrates the hard work everyone has put into the school during the last few years and I would like to thank again all the children, staff, governors and parents for their effort and support. We are aiming to improve further in the areas OFSTED highlighted as well as other areas we have identified and I know that this will only be possible with the continued hard work and co-operation between all members of the school community.

If you have any further queries regarding the OFSTED inspection or report, please contact me. The report will be on the OFSTED website at the end of this week, and more information on inspections can be found on this website.

Yours sincerely

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