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Dear Parents/Carers

I write to share with you our latest Ofsted report which has been published this week.

As you know, we were inspected on 29th- 30th April. This was an inspection to judge whether, as a previously graded "Good" Ofsted school we were maintaining that standard.

I am pleased to inform you that the inspection outcome was that we remain a Good school having maintained our standards. You can find the full report on our website here: Ofsted & Performance Data - Rockwood Academy

Key important quotations from the report:

- Rockwood Academy is a productive and inclusive place of learning.
- Staff are caring and nurturing.
- Pupils are happy.
- The school has high ambitions for pupils, including disadvantaged pupils and those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).
- Pupils respond very well to the school's high expectations of them.
- Pupils get along well with each other and staff.
- Pupils are confident that there is a member of staff to speak to if they are ever worried.
- Pupils experience a strong provision to enhance their personal and character development.
- They are very well prepared for life in modern Britain.
- Staff know pupils and their needs well.
- The school has clearly laid-out processes to provide support for pupils with SEND.
- It swiftly identifies any pupils who may need extra help.
- As a result, many pupils with SEND overcome their barriers to learning.
- Reading is a high priority across the school.
- The school is a calm and orderly environment. Pupils are friendly and polite.
- The programme to inform and advise pupils on career choices helps them to make informed decisions about their next steps in education, employment or training.
- The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

With all of the positive quotations above, we know that we must keep improving as a school community. Our staff are not resting on their laurels and are determined to keep improving our school.

I look forward to meeting these challenges in the coming weeks, terms and years as your Headteacher. I proudly lead an excellent and dedicated team of staff and look forward to working more closely with you and the local community in the time to come.

Yours sincerely

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Mr R Reeve Headteacher

