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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to be able to send you our Section 48 Report as it has now been published and can be found on our website, the Diocesan website and is attached here.

I received a wonderful covering e-mail from Jane Goring, the Chief Inspector of schools which included:

'Shining through the report is the fact that St Thomas More is a wonderful school where relationships are strong and people are valued.'

'It was a delight to read about the ways in which you develop the children to become the people God created them to be, in participating in liturgy and supporting the Common Good.'

'I was impressed by the rich prayer life of the school, the focus on issues of social justice and our duty to care for the poor and the marginalised. The report also celebrates the ways in which you make classroom religious education challenging and rigorous, building the pupils' religious literacy and their confidence so they can articulate their faith with enthusiasm and maturity.'

The chief inspector was also impressed by the extensive links we have with the communities which make up our school and our engagement with parents and parish as we work together to create a truly cohesive Catholic community

I am very proud of how impressed the inspectors were with the fantastic work we are doing and the difference it has made.

I am delighted that the inspection process recognised how the governors and leadership team, through our vision and inspiration have enabled the school to move forward with such strength. Our implementation of the 'Caritas in Action' resource this year, with its focus on Catholic Social Teaching, has enabled us to provide a rich RE curriculum alongside our RE scheme (The Way, The Truth & The Life) and I am looking forward to the launch of our new whole school creative curriculum in the Autumn term which is underpinned by our RE curriculum. I am confident this will enable us to go from strength to strength.

I would like to thank Miss Stone, our RE subject leader, all of our teaching staff and the pupils for their wonderful contributions. I would also like to thank the parents for completing the questionnaires, and the governors for their support and challenge as our 'critical friends'.

'Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice' Philippians 4:4

Kind regards,

Mrs K Little

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