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Dear Parents,

Hopefully by now you have had the opportunity to read the recent Ofsted report, which judges the school Good in all areas.

I have been Chair of Governors at Nelson for 4 years now and I am immensely proud of what the school has achieved over that time and the progress that has been made since the last inspection. The school has been on a journey of improvement and development, and this was recognised by the latest Ofsted visit last month.

Over the last few years, and during the recent inspection, I was witness to and part of a truly dedicated team of individuals all striving for the very best for the pupils that we serve. What makes Nelson so special is that the whole community, pupils, parents, teaching, non-teaching staff, the school leadership, fellow governors and trustees have all collectively worked together to create a school to be proud of.

A driving force behind these changes and the improvements made have been Ms Ward, Head of School and Mrs Steels as Executive Head across the trust. Their unwavering commitment to steer the school in the right direction has not gone unnoticed and I would like to thank them on behalf of the trust and the governing body.

The governors of the school were able to sit in the post Ofsted feedback meeting in which the inspector spoke in more detail about the findings of the inspection. I would like to share some of this with you as not all can be included in the report. It was clear from this feedback that pupils are happy and dedicated to their learning and school life. In lessons they are truly attentive and thrive under a curriculum that is exciting and well planned out. The leadership of curriculum subjects was given high focus in the inspection and inspectors were impressed with how staff spoke passionately and with conviction about the subjects they lead and the curriculum that is in place. In addition to this, recent assessment data, which has shown a steady increase in positive outcomes, was shared with the inspectors and demonstrates another way that we are able to see the progress that the school is making.

As, always the true stars of the show were the pupils who the inspectors spoke highly of, their natural ability to articulate their learning, talk about the exciting events and activities that take place each week and how they feel safe and are looked after at the school. The school was described by many pupils as a family.

We know that this recent inspection is only another part of the journey, and we will collectively work together, as we have been, to ensure that Nelson continues to refine, improve and develop, to achieved the best that they can for all the pupils who walk through our gates.

Thank you for your continued support and please share the report with those who you think would benefit from it.

Kindest Regards,

Caroline Crosdale
Chair of Governors