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HMI Monitoring Inspection Report

Dear Parents

You may remember that we had a HMI Monitoring visit last term, which is normal procedure following a *Requires Improvement* judgement from an Ofsted Inspection.

The purpose of this visit was to ascertain the progress the School has made since the inspection in February 2022. The monitoring visit cannot change the Ofsted judgment and there are only two possible outcomes:

Either:
[The school] continues to require improvement. Leaders have made progress to improve the school, but more work is necessary for the school to become good.
or
[The school] continues to require improvement. Leaders have made insufficient progress to improve the school.

We are therefore pleased that the HM Inspector recognised the progress the School has made in addressing the actions raised in the Ofsted Report. She stated that *the staff are working steadily to bring about the necessary changes to the curriculum* and that *the systematic synthetic phonics programme is addressing gaps in pupils' phonic knowledge head-on*. She also noted *that subject leaders' work to identify the essential knowledge pupils need to learn in every subject is paying off* and that the Governing Board *checks the intended actions on the school improvement plan*. Be assured that we are continuing to develop our curriculum in order for all pupils '*to reach suitably ambitious curriculum goals in every subject.*'

The outcome of the inspection was Carrant Brook Junior School '*continues to require improvement. Leaders have made progress to improve the school, but more work is necessary for the school to become good.*'. This is the preferred outcome at this stage in the process. A copy of the monitoring report can be found on our website https://www.carrantbrook.com/welcome/ofsted-and-ks-resu-2. The next full Ofsted Inspection will take place within the next 12 -18 months.

Kind regards

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Chair of Governors