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Dear Parent or Carer,

Ofsted Inspection 28th - 29th February

Normally we would send home a full newsletter at the end of the week. However, as you know, we have been more busy than usual thanks to a visit by our friends from Ofsted. Wednesday and Thursday saw a full, graded two-day inspection take place undertaken by a team of five inspectors. They looked at every aspect of school life, visited a wide range of subject departments and examined our results, attendance, behaviour, personal development, leadership, safeguarding and more. The final report will be published in approximately 30 days at which point we will share it with you.

The main thing for you to know is that our young people were fantastic during the inspection, showing off their school with great pride; the staff worked tirelessly (inspections are extremely stressful and unpredictable) and demonstrated the same pride as the young people; and whilst we cannot share the outcome at present I can say that the report will celebrate a great many things about our school. It is, as ever, a huge privilege to be the headteacher of St Ambrose Barlow RC High School and we should all be thankful for such wonderful pupils and committed staff.

My thanks to the many parents and carers who took the time to give feedback and complete the surveys, and particular thanks to those who offered good wishes of support and words of kindness.

I will send out our newsletter on Monday along with the usual start of the week communication.

Yours faithfully,

Ben Davis
Headteacher