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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Welcome back to a new school year; the summer seemed to go so quickly!

A special hello to all our new pupils and families – you are now part of the Bledington community - I hope you settle in happily and that everyone helps you to feel at home quickly.

Mona will be shortly be sending out a Newsletter with dates for your diary and other information but I wanted to let you know about our Ofsted report that is now published.

As you know, Ofsted paid us a two-day visit on the third and fourth of July. This was our first inspection in over 12 years and the framework that we were judged on has changed significantly three times in that period. I am delighted to tell you that we have been awarded Good over all **and** in each inspected area:-

Quality of Education; Good

Behaviour and attitudes: Good

Personal Development: Good

Leadership and Management: Good

Early Years Provision: Good

This is such a positive outcome and a fantastic achievement. I would like to thank all the pupils, staff, Governors, BSA and volunteers who braved the experience and showed our amazing school off to its best. You can read the report for yourself but I'd like to highlight a few of the Lead Inspector's comments:

“Pupils are proud to attend...(they) say it feels like a family here. They appreciate that their ideas and opinions are valued.” “Pupils behave well during all aspects of the school day.” “Leaders have high ambition for pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or difficulties.”

“Parents are positive about the school. They say that staff know their children well and that they are encouraged to be ‘the best versions of themselves’.”

“Leaders have thought carefully about the learning environment throughout the school. This is particularly the case in the early years, where there is a language-rich environment.” “Leaders have a clear understanding of the school's strengths and areas for development.”

Our School Evaluation and Development Plan will reflect a couple of areas to improve on – presentation of some pupils' work and assessment in Maths.

As you know, this excellent report is backed up by our wonderful performance outcomes in this year's mandatory tests. Have a look at our school performance on our website [Our Performance | Bledington Primary School](#) .

So we are starting the year on a high and hope that all of you will enjoy supporting your children and our lovely school to continue to thrive and flourish by getting involved with the many things that we do.

I look forward to chatting with you in the playground.

All best wishes

Ms J Kewley

