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Dear Parents/Carers

Last term Ofsted visited the school and carried out an anticipated monitoring visit. The visit was conducted by an Ofsted Lead Inspector. The purpose of the visit was to assess what progress the school has made and to review the school against the Independent School Standards.

It is with great delight that I can report that the finding was that the school now meets all Independent School standards and that the report recognises the rapid improvements made since the previous inspection back in July 2017. I have attached the report for your information.

The intention to move to one school site is progressing. Planning permission is currently lodged with the council for the new building and we remain optimistic that the new building and the move to one site will occur in September. We will keep you updated with developments as soon as we become aware of them over the coming days and weeks.

The timescales are tight and the logistics of moving resources from Sittingbourne to Teynham are quite considerable. After much consideration the most pragmatic solution would appear be to close the school to pupils two days earlier prior to the summer school holidays to enable staff to move resources and prepare for September.

The last day for pupils will now be Wednesday 18th July 2018 with the Ceremony of Achievement being held on this day at the Church Hall in Sittingbourne. The Ceremony will commence at 11am and will conclude at 12pm We appreciate that this is a short notice change and that changing this date is not ideal. However, in these exceptional circumstances we hope that you can appreciate our reason for this decision.

We have a coffee morning at Sittingbourne at 9.30am on the 4th July. Please feel free to drop in and meet with members of the senior Leadership team and myself.

Yours sincerely

Mary McKeeman
Head Teacher