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Dear Catherine,

I'm writing to you following your school's recent Ofsted inspection. I am delighted to see that the school is now back in the 'good' category. Thanks to your leadership, continued support and challenge from your governing body and the hard work of all the staff, the school is rightly back on an upward trajectory.

It is wonderful to read that leaders are relentless in their drive to improve outcomes for pupils and that you have created an inclusive and caring culture across the school. This has clearly led to the pupils at St Mary's making good progress from their low starting points in reading, writing and mathematics. It is so pleasing that the report mentions the accurate and robust systems that you have established to check the quality of teaching and the progress that pupils are making and that your curriculum is both broad and rich so that it meets the needs of all pupils in the school.

From a diocesan perspective, I am also so pleased to see that Religious Education is seen as a strength of the school and that pupils' spirituality is very well promoted through participation in regular Collective Worship and weekly Mass. The report acknowledges the mission of the school and that leaders and governors strive to achieve this mission. It is wonderful that pupils show respect for all faiths and cultures.

On behalf of Bishop Patrick and all of us here at the Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Education Service, I would like to thank you, your staff and governors for your tremendous dedication and commitment to the educational mission of the Church in our diocese.

Congratulations to all of you once again!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "P. Giorgio".

**Peter Giorgio**  
Director of Education