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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now received the final report from OFSTED following our inspection on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2023, and we are really pleased to announce that we did it!

## **"We are a good school."**

The inspection was rigorous and they found many strengths; opening the report saying that ***Wirksworth Junior School is a happy and caring place to learn.***

They said leaders have created a school that is highly inclusive. We have high expectations of all pupils. Leaders want pupils to be 'creative, curious and caring'. Pupils live up to these expectations. Children enjoy attending school.

This is an amazing result for the school and the community, and we know for some parents this has been a long journey to achieve good. We would like to thank you for continuing to support us and we hope that you have seen positive changes in your child's education, which we will continue to build on throughout their time at this school.

We would like to thank all the staff and governors involved, this has been a real team effort, also, those who have helped support the school from Derbyshire County Council; advisors: Simon Robinson, Alison Wain and Nicola Smith. They have all helped hold the school to account, and to ensure we have continued to work hard to improve Wirksworth Junior School. The network of Cluster schools has been a valuable source of support and we would like to thank Jo Poyser and all the headteachers at the local schools. We have also had lots of advice and support from outside the authority and we wish to thank EMBARK and the Learners' Trust for supporting our journey, as well as training from the Maths and English Hub and Derby Research School.

We know you will be delighted by this result and will want to read the full report. This has been attached to this email and can be found on the school's website and from **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** it will be on the main Ofsted website. If you would like a paper copy of the report, please ask at the main school office where a copy will be provided for you.

We thank you for your involvement, interest and support in the school, especially during the OFSTED period. We hope you have a good summer break and we look forward to working with you next year.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Isabel Webb, Mr Ed Robinson and Mr Martin Counter.**  
**Headteacher and Co-Chairs of Governors**