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Dear Lorna,

I hope that you are well and that you had a wonderful Summer holiday.


I wanted to write on behalf of everyone here in the council to congratulate you all on the report shared by Ofsted today, following your inspection in July. Having had the privilege of spending time with you and some of your children last term to celebrate your incredible work with the music grant, I wasn't at all surprised to read such a glowing report! We are all aware of the efforts you go to in order to deliver such wonderful learning experiences for your children and their families. It is a real pleasure to read that the inspectors picked up on children and their parents and carers arriving at Oliver Thomas with smiles on their faces. I felt the same when I spent time with you all. It is a joy to read of how you have made this happen.

While inspections cannot capture in full the extent your achievements, it is lovely to read that Oliver Thomas is a nursery school where children are highly motivated and fully prepared for the next stage in education. The report's emphasis on the variety of rich opportunities which are provided to your children was particularly touching to read.

I hope you and your staff take great pleasure in this outcome, which reflects a committed and caring team. Please do pass on our thanks and congratulations to your staff and families for their continued efforts to support your pupils to achieve so well and develop a love of learning.

I hope to see you all again soon.

Yours sincerely,



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