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Miss Margaret Hanrahan Headteacher St Winifred's Catholic Primary School Newstead Road Lee, SE12 OSJ

Dear Margaret

I would like to offer my congratulations to you and all at St Winifred's on the outcome of your recent denominational inspection, your first since amalgamation of the infant and junior school.

St Winifred's clearly is a community which is rooted in Gospel values where 'the welfare and personal development of each pupil is at the heart of the school's ethos'. It was good to read of the many ways in which the pupils are able to actively engage in the liturgical and charitable aspects of the school. That pupils are able to speak of vocation and how they understand the 'importance using their gifts and talents for the service of others,' is a credit to your strong leadership and the dedication of the staff. Pupils clearly benefit from the many ways in which the school actively engages with the local and wider community. I also noted many wonderful parent comments about all aspects of the Catholic dimension at St Winifred's.

The comments relating to the Religious Education provision are encouraging. The teachers and other members of staff are to be congratulated for their commitment and the effort they put into developing Religious Education lessons which are engaging and inclusive. Pupils clearly take pride in their work and this is evidenced in the material they produce. I am sure that once the new assessment framework is embedded, teachers will be able to use their excellent subject knowledge alongside it to build on this good outcome.

Collective worship was judged to be good with inspectors noting that 'pupils' response to and participation is outstanding'. It was good to read that pupils are being provided with a rich and varied diet of prayer and liturgical experiences, some of which they are ably planning and leading. I also noted that families are encouraged to attend many of these times.

Please pass on my thanks and gratitude to everyone at St Winifred's for their dedication and commitment to ensuring that the school continues to provide an inclusive Catholic education. I look forward to hearing of your continued success and I wish you well in all your endeavours.

Yours sincerely

Dr Simon Hughes

Director of Education

Cc: Mr John Ryan, Chair of Governors

Bishop Patrick Lynch