

8 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year – and for those of you who are new to the school – welcome to Rauceby! It has been lovely seeing all the children again, hearing their holiday news, and watching them enjoy being back at school with their friends and teachers. We welcome twenty-one new children into our Reception class this year and another eight children across other year groups in our school. I hope your child has enjoyed their first few days in school and I look forward to working with you and your child as we journey through this academic year together.

I am pleased to share with you the outcome of our Ofsted Inspection which took place on 27-28 June.

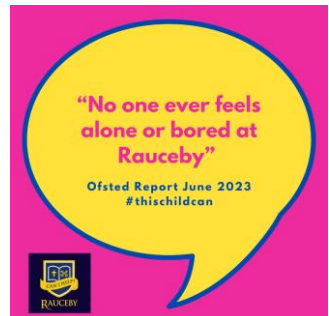
I'm sure it will come as no surprise to you that **our school continues to be a good school.**

I have shared with the children this morning (in terms they will understand) some of the comments made about them – their eagerness to learn, their good behaviour and their keenness to develop themselves personally as well as academically. I've also shared those aspects that we will work together to improve even further this year and beyond.

I have attached the full Ofsted report for you. This will also be placed on our school website and on the Ofsted report website next week.

This is a report for us all to celebrate and to be proud of! It is testament to the hard work the school staff have put in as a team over the past two years and is a great base from us to build our school. As the report says 'there is no limit to what we can do or achieve' – and we have a great team here at Rauceby to do just that. As a staff team, we are excited for Rauceby's future and look forward to building an exceptional and aspirational school for all our children and school community.

We know that there are always aspects that we could improve further and we have already started planning to address those areas that have been suggested on the report as part of this year's School Improvement Plan. I will be sharing these plans with you over the course of this term. It is particularly important to me that you feel well informed about what is going on in school and communication between home and school is effective. With this in mind, we are currently planning a full year calendar which we will share with you next week so that you can plan ahead.




You can also expect from us:

- Termly class newsletters sent at the start of each term
- A weekly school newsletter (this will be sent on a Monday each week)
- Clubs booking form (via google form) sent at the end of each term in readiness for the new term. Clubs will start the week beginning 18 September this term and the booking form will be available next week.
- Frequent posts on our school social media – we are on Facebook, Twitter (X) and Instagram – please follow us!
- Three face to face or virtual meetings over the year with your child's class teacher
- Two interim reports and one full report each year
- Parent information evenings
- #thisfamilycan opportunities – events where you can come and join the learning in the classroom
- Whole school events and celebrations
- Class email contact with your child's class teacher or simply pop into the office to arrange a meeting if you have a question or concern.

I'd like to personally thank you for your continued support of the school – we are a very special school community and I am enormously proud of all the children and the Rauceby staff team.

I look forward to all that the new academic year brings and hope that 2023-2024 is a fantastic one for all of us here at Rauceby!

Best Wishes



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