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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thursday, 12th February 2015

HMI Monitoring Visit

The school recently received a one day monitoring inspection visit from HMI (Her Majesty's Inspectors). The purpose of this visit was to ascertain whether the Senior Leaders and the Governors of the school, have responded appropriately to the areas for development identified in the Section 5 Ofsted inspection report from September 2014.

The HMI Inspector visited the school for a full day on Monday 26th January 2015 and spoke with Governors, representatives from the Local Authority and Hereford Diocese, as well as myself and pupils. She toured the school and visited every class.

I have now received a letter from the HMI inspector which I am pleased to share with you. This letter is also available on the school website and the Ofsted website from 12th February.

In the letter the HMI Inspector confirms that 'senior leaders and governors are taking effective action to tackle the areas requiring improvement identified' at the last inspection.

As you will know, improving attainment and progress in Reading across the school is a high priority and much work has already been done to improve the school's provision. In respect of the first action point mentioned within the HMI letter, I am currently working with the Local Authority, Mr Terrado (Literacy Leader) and the PTFA to explore funding streams and appropriate resources to ensure our early readers have access to high quality phonetically decodable reading scheme books.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their hard work and the commitment they have shown to improving outcomes for the children of St. Mary's Bluecoat CE Primary School. I would also like to thank you for your ongoing support. Through working together we can make our school the 'good' school we know it can be!

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I am now able to inform you that following a period of ill health, Ms Farrell, Headteacher, has taken early retirement. The Local Authority and the Federated Governing Body will now agree a permanent leadership structure which is firmly based on the current acting leadership model. I will of course let you know more once the leadership structure is decided.

We shall be having a collection to send a small retirement gift to Ms Farrell. Should any parent wish to contribute this can be done through the school office.

I very much look forward to a bright and successful future for all of the children, staff and wider school community of St. Mary's Bluecoat School.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Gaskin
Acting Executive Headteacher

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