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Mr Dermot Mooney
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Dear Dermot

My congratulations to you and everyone at Margaret Roper on achieving such an impressive outcome, following your recent denominational inspection. It was a delight to read your outstanding inspection report.

It was wonderful to note that the Catholic ethos of the school community is an inclusive one rooted in the teachings of the Gospels. The leadership that you, governors and senior members of staff provide has certainly facilitated this. Inspectors were clearly able to evidence the strength of the ethos through the wide variety of celebrations that take place in school alongside the charity work carried out by the pupils. They clearly benefit from the many ways in which the school actively engages with the local and Diocesan community.

The comments related to the Religious Education provision are encouraging. The teachers and other members of staff, especially the subject leaders, are to be congratulated for their commitment and the quality of their work. Pupils clearly take pride in their work and this is evidenced in the material they produce. I am sure that once the new assessment procedures are embedded and good practice shared across the school, teaching and learning will move towards outstanding.

Collective worship was judged to be outstanding and it was wonderful to read of how the pupils are able to plan and lead assemblies and times of prayer. I noted how the Music, Drama and IT are woven into these meaningful and inclusive liturgical engagements. The children obviously benefit from this as noted in the many comments included in the report.

Please pass on my thanks and gratitude to everyone at Margaret Roper for their dedication and commitment in ensuring that your school remains such a beacon of effective and meaningful Catholic education I look forward to hearing of your continued success and I wish you well in all your endeavours.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simon Hughes'.

Dr Simon Hughes
Director of Education

Cc: Mr Bernard Munn, Chair of Governors
Bishop Paul Hendricks