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Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted that The Batt CE Primary School has been recognised as a 'Good' school by Ofsted. All of us across ODST – the Academy Trust responsible for the school - are very proud of the school's achievements.

Since The Batt was last inspected in 2011, there have been extensive changes to what Ofsted inspectors look for, and the bar has frankly been raised significantly. There is no direct comparison between the new grade and the Outstanding one from 2011, but you can be assured that 'Good' is very strong and confirms that The Batt is offering your children a very high standard of education.

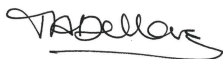
I was delighted to read that 'the spirit of kindness is evident in how pupils and staff treat each other', and that the school is helping children to become 'confident and positive citizens.' The Batt is a safe and happy place to be, with a fantastic range of activities that support children's learning and personal development.

The report highlights the 'ambitious curriculum' and strong teaching that accompanies it, and I was also very pleased that the children's love of reading was evident. Reading underpins so much other learning, and it is inspiring to see children's enjoyment of it flourish at The Batt.

Of course, as well as highlighting strengths, Ofsted reports always identify areas where there is room for improvement. Since the inspection took place in December, the Trust and school leaders have already implemented some changes, and we will continue to support the school to thrive and develop.

I'd like to pay tribute to the school leaders, staff and governing body for the hard work, dedication and enthusiasm that goes into making The Batt such a distinctive and high-quality school. Many congratulations, and thank you to you as parents and carers for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,



Anne Dellar
ODST Chief Executive Officer