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Dear Parents/Carers,

Final Ofsted Inspection Report (5-13th June 2018)

Attached you will find the school's Ofsted report that is due to be published on the Ofsted website on Tuesday 18th September 2018.

This report does not make for comfortable reading, and will be a shock to many. The overall judgements are not what we or others expected. As already shared with some parents, I do want to stress that the school described in the report does not reflect William Torbitt as it is now. With the support of the local authority, prompt and decisive actions and changes were begun in June (and continue); these include changes in staffing, roles and responsibilities, team structures, additional training, revised procedures and reorganisation of the playground spaces. We have a consultant deputy, Mrs Kettory, who has been seconded from her school to work with William Torbitt on safeguarding and behaviour, and Mrs Pike, a consultant headteacher, who is supporting to ensure rapid improvements in teaching and learning and the Early Years. These changes have already had a significant positive impact on the culture and effectiveness of the school – around safeguarding, bullying and how behaviour is dealt with – particularly at lunchtimes. However, I am sorry that it took an Ofsted judgement such as this to ensure that the necessary changes were made.

The presentation that was shared with parents in the meetings last week, has also been attached to give you an overview of the actions and improvements already put in place to address the concerns raised in the report.

As a school we are expecting Ofsted to return for a monitoring visit this half-term. During this visit, the inspectors will determine whether the school has made sufficient progress towards addressing the issues in the report. I understand that we also need to rebuild/build your trust again that we are keeping your children safe, and providing them with a consistently high quality education here. Therefore, it is important that we receive feedback from you.

After reading the report, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to me or one of the Senior Leaders – I am present most mornings and after school in the school grounds (look out for the Hi-Viz jacket) - alternatively please email the school for the attention of Mrs Hinds via admin.williamtorbitt@redbridge.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mrs P. Hinds
Headteacher

