

**Re: Catholic Schools Inspectorate inspection report 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

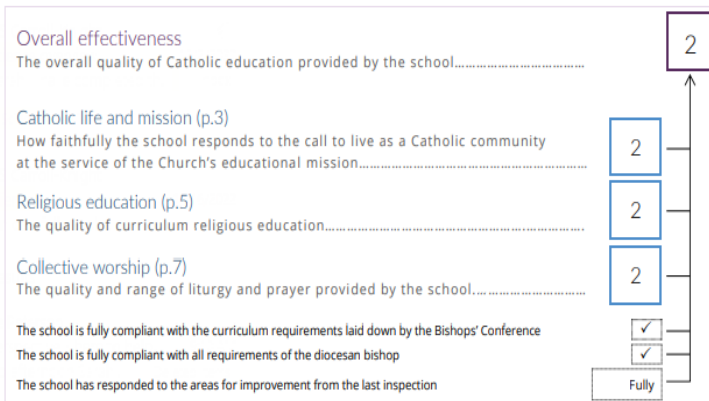
As you are aware the Religious Education aspect of the school was inspected under the new Catholic School Inspection Framework in June 2023. I am delighted to share our recent CSI Inspection report, which states that we are a ‘Good’ Catholic school with outstanding features in leadership of Catholic life and mission. This is testament to the hard work of our wonderful children and the commitment of our dedicated staff, and the support of our amazing governors.

Below are some of the key areas that the inspectors highlighted about our school:

- There is an unwavering commitment to the most vulnerable pupils and families; all staff go above and beyond to understand their needs.
- Pupils’ knowledge of Catholic Social Teaching is strong, and they articulate clearly how they can make a positive difference in the wider world.
- Pupils know that they are valued and cared for by all within the school community because they are made in the image and likeness of God.
- Consistent hard work and support have improved pupils’ presentation of work in religious education.
- Staff and pupils model excellent standards of behaviour showing kindness and respect to all.

Further comments included:

- Pupils understand that a simple act of kindness can make a real difference
- Staff are examples of Christ –inspired compassion and love .....These actions are so firmly established that staff comment ‘It’s just what we do’...
- OLSB is a safe haven for pupils and families.
- The newly formed leadership team lead with faith-filled passion and integrity.
- Pupils achieve well resulting in them making good progress.
- Behaviour in lessons is excellent throughout the school, showcasing a culture of respect.
- Pupils feel that teachers make their lessons fun.
- Teachers use high quality resources and a range of activities which engage pupils and bring the curriculum to life
- There is Strong leadership of Religious Education.
- Pupils are attentive and reverent during prayer.



Key to grade judgements

Grade	England	Wales
1	Outstanding	Excellent
2	Good	Good
3	Requires improvement	Adequate and requires improvement
4	Inadequate	Unsatisfactory and in need of urgent improvement

You can read the full report below:

This report is something to be extremely proud of. My thanks go out to all of the school community who work together to make OLSB the very special place that it is which is clearly reflected within the report.

With thanks for all of your continued support,

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