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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your families are safe and well in these challenging times.

At last I am able to share our super Ofsted report with you. The unexpected circumstances we all found ourselves facing during March onwards delayed its publication. I am delighted to report that Sherburn Primary School continues to be judged by Ofsted as being a good school.

During the two-day inspection the children were, as always, polite, well-mannered and well-behaved - they are a credit to you all. I'd like to say a huge thankyou to the staff for their hard work — they really do go the extra mile to ensure that your children are taught a broad, balanced curriculum - and to the governors, who have supported us through some challenging times. Thankyou too for your ongoing support of the school, it's really appreciated.

Over the last year we have made many changes to our curriculum and we look forward to continuing to build upon these in the new school year. We introduced a new way of working in Maths this year and will make sure that this is firmly embedded from September. We have had new playground equipment installed – a trim trail and climbing frame, thanks to generous financial support from Councillor Hall and Councillor Kellett (two of our governors) and from OAK (Outdoor action for Kids). This, alongside the purchase of a new shed to store outdoor play equipment, means that children now have more to occupy them on the playground.

It has been lovely to welcome back to school children from YR, Y1 and Y6. It is amazing how quickly they have adapted to changes around school. It is great to see the smiles on their faces when they are able to chat to and play with friends in their bubble. We miss the children who are not yet able to return and hope that by September we will be able to welcome all our year groups back, provided that it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we will continue to provide work packs – please phone school if you need us to provide you with print outs of work set.

Take care and stay safe,

Yours sincerely

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