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Dear David,

We are writing on behalf of the Rochester Diocesan Board of Education having recently received your SIAMS report in which your school was judged as 'outstanding' which is excellent news and for which we offer you our thanks and congratulations.

We know that this is a reflection of the hard work that all of your school team has put into the Christian distinctiveness of the school, its collective worship and its RE. Commitment to these aspects of school life by those who lead, manage and govern the school, is constantly exemplified in your report. Thank you for continuing to show dedication to developing your Church school community and for all of the hard work which this demands.

We were particularly pleased to note that your ethos ensures that all pupils flourish and that their gifts and talents are celebrated, and that this extends to your staff as well. It is clear that collective worship is an important part of the life of your school and that your pupils are able to have their say in how you worship together. We can see that your relationship with the local church is a key factor in demonstrating how children belong in their immediate community. All of this requires inspirational leadership which you continue to provide with your focus on Christian values and beliefs, with the support of the staff and governors around you.

As one of our outstanding schools, we would like to invite you to offer to share your excellent practice with other schools in the Diocese. For example, your effective approach to communicating your Christian distinctiveness to your parents, would be a particular area of expertise to pass on to others. Although this will primarily benefit other schools, it will also offer significant development opportunities for your own staff. Virginia will contact you if a request is made for particular expertise which you can offer.

In terms of the recommendations that are made about enhancing the distinctiveness of the school's vision and values, ensuring that governor monitoring is focussed on the impact and outcomes of the school's distinctiveness, and embedding teaching about the Trinity, please contact Virginia to seek support in addressing these issues if that would be helpful.



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In the meantime, accept our congratulations once again as you move forward.

Yours sincerely

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