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Dear Mrs Vollans,

We would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high standard of achievement demonstrated in the Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show that by improving the percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics by 17 percentage points, 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics at the end of Key Stage 2. This means that your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England.

We want to equip every child with the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for producing such high standards through your hard work and professionalism, and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP
Secretary of State for Education

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards