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Sir Martyn Oliver
His Majesty's Chief Inspector

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Dear Mr Henderson

I am writing following the publication of your section 5 inspection report. Although your school was judged to require improvement overall, I was pleased to see the school's leadership and management were judged to be good.

I am delighted to read that, with the support of The Keys Academy Trust, your work is leading to improved outcomes for pupils including for those who are disadvantaged. I am really pleased to note that personal development, behaviour and attitudes, as well as the early years provision are also good. Furthermore, it is clear from the report that recent improvements to the curriculum are successfully addressing pupils' prior underachievement. This, together with the effective actions taken to reduce absence, mean that pupils at The Coombes Church of England Primary School are in a great position to continue to improve their outcomes.

I know that you and your team will be continuing your good work. I hope this will be reflected in your next inspection outcome, probably in two years' time or so.

In the meantime, I have asked Caroline Dulon HMI, Regional Director for the South East, and her Senior HMI to be available if you wish to discuss your progress.

Yours sincerely

Sir Martyn Oliver
His Majesty's Chief Inspector