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Dear Parent

Re: School Policies & Inspection

This week, we welcome two Inspection teams to Chinthurst School. The first of these, a team of four inspectors led by Reporting Inspector Mr Robin Lewis, will look at all aspects of teaching and learning across the School. The second Inspection is of our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), namely Nursery and Kindergarten. This inspection will be carried out by Mrs Ann Stranack. We welcome both teams to Chinthurst School and will be doing our utmost to convey the unique atmosphere that makes this school so special.

One of the regulatory requirements placed upon schools is the need to keep parents informed of the various policies and procedures that exist. Key policies, which all include out of school care, can be found on the home page of our website, www.chinthurstschool.co.uk, and include:

- **Child Protection Policy;**
- **Staffing Lists;**
- **Complaints Procedure;**
- **Anti-Bullying Policy.**

Once the Inspection teams have completed their visit and reported their findings, they will leave on Thursday afternoon and will then take some time to compile the final report. This process is likely to take a matter of weeks; once the final report has been published, we will be sending a summary of the report to all our parents.

Thank you for your support throughout this first half-term. It has been tiring coming to terms with a new sea of faces and a set of new timetables, practices and procedures. However, the work has been deeply rewarding and I am heartened by the significant number of prospective parents who attended our Open Days on Friday and Saturday. Many of them commented that here is a school with real soul and atmosphere. Having attended the very successful 80's Disco on Saturday evening, so successfully organised by the CPA, I can only echo those sentiments.

In closing, may I wish you, and your son(s), a very happy and restful half-term break.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Thorpe
Headmaster