

St. Jude's Church of England Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

Ofsted Inspection 22nd and 23rd November 2022

Following their visit to our wonderful school on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd November 2022, Ofsted have now released their final report. This will be published online this week and we have attached it for your reference. We are thrilled to inform our school community that we were judged overall as a **'Good'** school.

Primary schools are inspected on their Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development, Leadership and Management, and Early Years Provision. In each area they are judged as either Inadequate, Requires Improvement, Good or Outstanding, which leads to an overall effectiveness judgement.

We are immensely proud of our children and staff for their hard work, dedication and passion to achieve this result, especially following several years of disruption as a result of the pandemic. I would also like to pass on my appreciation to our Governing Body and parent community for your continued support and contribution to this achievement.

Report Highlights:

"Leaders create a nurturing environment, where children are happy and safe. Pupils enjoy learning and are proud of their school. Relationships between staff and pupils are positive and respectful."

"Teachers make pupils aware of different cultures and views in society. Pupils know that discrimination or bullying will not be tolerated here."

"The love of reading is evident throughout the school."

"Teachers' strong subject knowledge helps pupils to deepen their understanding of increasingly complex concepts."

"Behaviour throughout the school is calm and consistent."

"Leaders provide pupils with many enrichment activities, visits, and clubs."

Our last full Ofsted inspection was in June 2008 when we were judged to be 'Outstanding'. Since then, Ofsted have changed the framework they use to inspect schools and the criteria for each judgement has changed considerably. Reports show that for many 'downgraded' outstanding schools inspected under the new framework, have actually improved in the quality of their provision. Other reports also state that the number of schools retaining their 'outstanding' status under the new framework are very few.

During the feedback in the final meeting during the inspection, we were delighted to hear that there were some aspects of our school that showed evidence of being outstanding. We are looking forward to working together as a team to develop these aspects and embed them consistently in our practice. The report also outlines points for improvement which we will endeavour to address collectively.















We will do this with our children at the heart of all our decisions, maintaining our Christian distinctiveness and values, and ensuring that they continue to feel happy, inspired and loved.

If you have any questions regarding the Ofsted report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warm regards,

Miss Douch

Acting Headteacher













