Cavendish Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers

Ofsted Report December 2022

We are writing to share with you the feedback from our recent Ofsted inspection which was took place just before Christmas. We are pleased that Ofsted recognised the clear impact of the ethos of our school on children's daily experiences, including the high quality of pastoral care, wellbeing and personal development.

The structure and design of the school curriculum was recognised as a strength. Learning is planned in incremental steps and explicit links are made to previous learning. This was recognised as supporting children's longer term memory and scaffolds more complex understanding.

Enrichment activities, especially those linked to our Artsmark status were recognised as positive applications of wider literacy skills and as a means to develop confidence through public speaking and performance.

The school has a robust culture of safety, safeguarding and of promptly making referrals to outside agencies and professional support services. Feedback to the governing body noted how these were followed up systematically.

Ofsted agreed with the school's self evaluation, and our school development plan for this year highlights our priority areas which match those identified by Ofsted including:

Reading – our newly updated phonics system and provision is well chosen and the majority of pupils benefits from a wide range of teaching experiences. We recognise, as highlighted in our school development plan, that additional precision is required for a few pupils for whom reading is more challenging.

This increased precision and tracking system has been extended to all children on the SEND register to enable individual targets to match needs, and so accelerate learning. Following staff training and system reviews, parents have been invited to individual meetings with their child's class teacher. There has been 100% take up on this.

This links to our wider class focus work this year to ensure increased rigour in the classroom to ensure any misconceptions are addressed promptly. Staff are engaging in national oracy research, alongside county led work in metacognition enabling children to develop a range of strategies to discuss and check their learning.

The role of the children's councils and opportunities for young leadership were praised as was school's support for the local community and experiences which developed children's understanding of British Values, cultural development, inclusion, world faiths and diversity.

The report is expected to be published soon and can be found on the Ofsted website. <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted</u>

We look forward to working with you over the coming year, and hope to see you at the school's 160th church celebration on Wednesday 8th February at 2pm.

Yours sincerely
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Challenge, Creativity, Compassion: Create a pure heart in me – Psalm 51:10