

## William Stukeley Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

As Chair of Governors, I meet up with middle and senior leaders, head teachers and governors from many other schools. I think I might have got the reputation of being a bit weird - for a while now I have been vocal in hoping that OFSTED would come and visit!

Our last inspection was in 2014 and we were so excited to get our overall 'Good' (with 'Outstanding' in Leadership and Management). I know how much work has been done since the last inspection and how much this work has impacted on our children's learning, so I knew we could be confident with any OFSTED inspection.

As you are aware, on 21<sup>st</sup> February we got the 'visit'. This time, a short inspection, not the *fuller* inspection that schools showing any concerns may be subject to. The inspector was very thorough, visiting classrooms, interviewing pupils and parents and interrogating Mr Emery, the Senior Leadership Team and the Governors on all areas of school life.

I am pleased to tell you that the report confirms our school still is doing well, maintaining our well-earned 'Good', with most of what we do, well above the national average. This comes through in the report with comments like, "The leadership team has maintained the good quality of education" and "Staff provide pupils with a wide range of experiences to make learning exciting and meaningful to them".

The inspector did note that we appear not to be doing quite as well in writing as we are in reading and maths. The inspector was happy with the quality of our writing, across the school, but commented that our monitoring and assessment of writing needed to become more formalised, also noting that we had already recognised this and a plan was in place for improvement, stating that there are early signs of success.

Please have a read of the attached OFSTED Report and I am sure you will join me in congratulating Mr Emery and all the staff in the hard work they continue to do. William Stukeley CE Primary School continues to be a beacon of education in the local area and requests for places in September 2018 are at record levels. If you have any comments, please get in contact with me via the school office.

Yours faithfully

Mr R Nicholas Chair of Governors







