

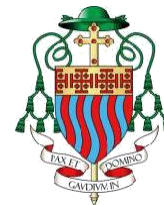


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Dear Parents/Carers

I write to you with news of the outcomes from our recent Ofsted inspection which took place on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th October 2019. This inspection was carried out under the new Ofsted framework which came into effect from September this year.

We were thrilled with the overall judgement of **GOOD** and especially pleased with so many incredibly positive comments which included:

'St Clement's is a welcoming school where pupils feel safe and valued.'

'Pupils are proud to attend their school.'

'Pupils are confident and articulate and talk with passion about their school and their learning.'

'Staff have high expectations of pupils' behaviour and pupils have equally high expectations of each other.'

'Leaders are determined that pupils will leave the school with the skills they need to be successful in their futures.'

'Leaders prioritise reading well. They see reading as the skill that underpins the whole curriculum.'

'Teachers make Science engaging and interactive.'

'Leaders make sure that pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities and disadvantaged pupils receive the support they need.'

'Children get off to a great start in the early years. Attentive, caring adults support them to feel safe and confident'

We are encouraged that the development points reflected in the report reflect the priorities identified in the School Development Plan: developing reading readiness in our youngest pupils, mapping skills progression in the foundation subjects and consistently offering challenge for our more able pupils.

To address these development points, we have purchased a wide range of both fiction and non-fiction books to supplement our existing early reading materials. In addition, Reception children now have flash cards with tricky words to support and extend their learning at home.

As you may know the revised Ofsted framework places much greater emphasis on the foundation subjects. Mapping out skills progression has been a priority for subject leaders since September, so that there is clear development of skills and knowledge in these subjects throughout the school.

Whilst attainment in the 2019 Key Stage 2 SATs was incredibly high, and well above the national average, the progress measure in writing and maths suggested we needed to review the level of challenge for our more able pupils. To address this, the teaching and learning strategies were evaluated early on in September to ensure there is a wider range of challenging tasks offered. We will continue to monitor and review the impact of these strategies throughout the year.

We will build on the success of this report, working in partnership with parents/carers, to ensure that our wonderful school continues to go from strength to strength.

Thank you to parents/carers that took the time to complete the Parent View questionnaires and to speak to the inspector at the beginning of the school day. Your support for our school came across very strongly and we are so pleased about this, as working effectively with parents/carers is a fundamental aspect of our work and contributes greatly to the success of our school.

The report will be available on our website and on the Ofsted website from Monday 18th November 2019. If you are unable to access the website, please call our office and we will arrange for a paper copy to be sent to you.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the staff for their continuous hard work and dedication to the children.

Finally, thank you to the children who were great ambassadors for our school. They never fail to amaze. I am so proud that St Clement's is a welcoming community and is made up of wonderful children, parents, staff and governors.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Kelly
Headteacher