



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL BARTONS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

You will have received the letter from the Head Teacher with the copy of the OFSTED report earlier in the week. As the Headteacher noted, the inspection that we had no longer carries the single word judgement and while the report is brief, there is plenty of things to unpack from it.

The type of inspection that was done was to ensure that as a school, the standards had been maintained but, that does not mean that we can sit on our achievements from the last inspection. The standards require continual improvement in the provision from the school. Not just in the academic delivery but in the rounder development and welfare of our children providing a safe environment that encourages learning and helps prepare them for the next stage of their journey through the education system.

Since the last inspection, the Head and her staff have worked tirelessly to make Bartons the best possible experience for the children and having sat in the Inspectors feedback, this was strongly acknowledged.

In my view, this was a correct observation. As Governors, through the course of the year, we see the amazing effort put in by all of the staff. To walk through the school and see the learning walls and the wide variety of work displayed by the children from reception through to year six in a very calm atmosphere is a real privilege to experience. And of course, the children themselves were and are brilliant. I detected that the inspector may have been very impressed by them through some of the comments in the feedback session.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the Headteacher and all of the staff at the school for their continuing hard work in making Bartons the supportive centre for our children that it is. I would also like to thank my colleagues the Governing body who have supported the school and carried out their duty in providing governance to the operation of the school.

Make no mistake, the outcome of this inspection was a great achievement and is the result of Team Bartons at its finest, and I know that work continues to improve further which is to the benefit of our children.

Very Best Wishes,

Chris Barratt

Chairman of the Board of Governors

